

Waterside News

Empowering Learners to Achieve Dreams

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Headteachers Message

Welcome back! And Welcome to all the new families that have joined the Waterside community.

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year. Our 'Welcome Week' has been all about settling the children back into school and our routines and building those ever so important relationships with their peers and teachers.

The children have settled well, and we are so proud of our new Nursery and Reception children who have started school this week. They have been amazing.

The children have begun to delve into their curriculum this week and have already started their Humanities topics. We are all looking forward to watching each child develop and grow over the year.

Over the Summer, work was completed on the field to create a Forest School outdoor area. All pupils from Nursery to Year 6 will have 6 weeks of forest schooling over the year. Forest schooling is run by our expert Miss Baker and the pupils enjoy this time working together outside.

At Waterside we pride ourselves in our Enrichment offer, this includes our Enrichment clubs after school and the trips and visits that we offer to our pupils. This year you will receive an overview of all the trips that your child will take part in and the cost of each of these. Where possible we have subsidized these to ensure that all pupils are able to attend these as they are essential for their learning.

Please below some key information about the Leadership team, safeguarding team and calendar dates.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, ready for a full week next week. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Mrs. Willis



Meet the School Leadership Team:

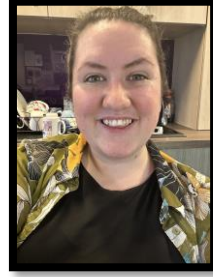
As we welcome back our existing families, I would like to take this time to welcome to Waterside our new parents and pupils and introduce you to the leadership team. Please do not hesitate to contact one of us if you have any concerns or questions.



Mrs Willis
Headteacher



Mrs Rathbone
Senior Assistant
head



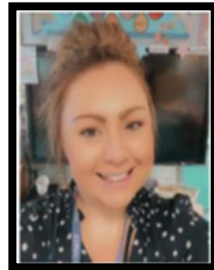
Miss Williams
Assistant head



Mrs Morray
Assistant head



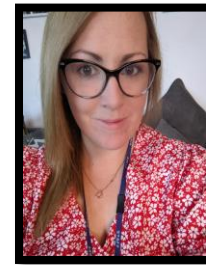
**Mrs Joinson-
Spencer**
SENDCo



Miss Bickerton
KS1 Leader



Miss Smith
LKS2 Leader



Miss Cooke
UKS2 Leader

Meet the Safeguarding team:

The safeguarding team are a dedicated team who ensure that those under their care are protected from harm inside and outside of school. We promote and are champions for developing the whole school ethos of safeguarding across school. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please raise these with Mrs. Willis (DSL) or Mrs Morray (DDSL) or 01782235100 (Stoke Safeguarding) if out of school times.



Mrs Willis
DSL



Mrs Morray
DDSL



**Mrs Joinson-
Spencer**
DDSL



Mrs Rathbone
DDSL



Miss Roberts
Early Help Lead



Mrs Dove
Nurture Support



Miss Marsh
Nurture Support

WATERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL EVENTS

2024 / 2025



Date	Event	Clothes	Cost
Autumn			
Thursday 3 rd October	Harvest	Uniform	Donation to food bank
Monday 11 th November	Remembrance	Uniform	Buy a Poppy
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd Socks Day	Odd Socks & Uniform	None
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need	Yellow or Spotty	Donation
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner Day	Christmas/Winter Jumper	Donation
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Party Day	PE Kit	Donation of party food
Spring			
Tuesday 7 th January	TT Rockstar's Day	Rock Star	None
Monday 3 rd February	Children's Mental Health Week	TBC	N/A
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day	N/A	N/A
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day	Design a T-shirt	A T-shirt
Monday 10 th March	British Science Week	Uniform	£2.50
Summer			
Friday 6 th June	Eid Party	Heritage Clothing	Donation of Food

WATERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT CONSULTATIONS 2024/2025

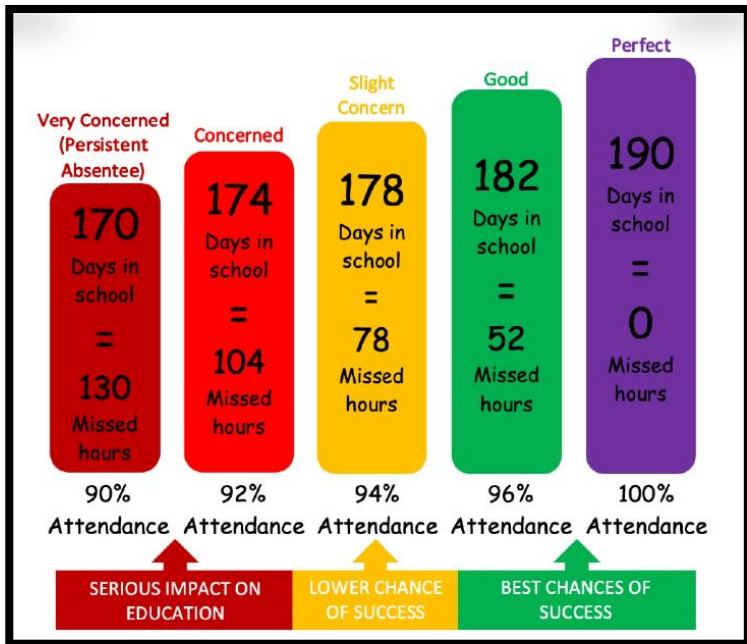


Date	Year Group
Autumn	
Tuesday 8 th October	Year 2 Parent Consultation
Thursday 10 th October	Year 6 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 15 th October	Reception Parent Consultation
Thursday 17 th October	Year 1 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 22 nd October	Year 3 Parent Consultation
Thursday 24 th October	Year 4 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 5 th November	Year 5 Parent Consultation
Thursday 7 th November	Nursery Parent Consultation
Spring	
Tuesday 21 st January	Year 2 Parent Consultation
Thursday 23 rd January	Year 6 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 28 th January	Reception Parent Consultation
Thursday 30 th January	Year 1 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 4 th February	Year 3 Parent Consultation
Thursday 6 th February	Year 4 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 11 th February	Year 5 Parent Consultation
Thursday 13 th February	Nursery Parent Consultation

WATERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES 2024/2025



Date	Assembly	Year Group	Time
Wednesday 29th January	Class	Year 6	1.45pm – 3pm
Wednesday 5th February	Class	Year 5	
Wednesday 15th March	Class	Year 4	
Wednesday 26th March	Class	Year 3	
Wednesday 21st May	Class	Year 1	
Wednesday 18th June	Class	Year 2	
Tuesday 15th July	Rewards	Invitation Only	3.45pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday 16th July	FS Graduation	Reception	Ducks – 9.30am – 10am
			Swans – 1.45pm – 2.15pm
Friday 18th July	Year 6 Leavers	Year 6	2pm – 3pm



Attendance

It is important that your child attends school every day and on time. To ensure we track attendance closely, in line with our safeguarding procedures, we will track attendance on a rolling year, taking into account the attendance of every child from last year as well as their current attendance for this academic year.

Lunches

Please remember to pay the school office via school money for school lunches, which should be done a week in advance to avoid outstanding money collecting. If you would like to change your child from school lunches to packed lunches or vice versa please inform the office a week before so the kitchen can be notified.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child attends school daily in the correct uniform including on PE days. School uniforms gives our school its identity and ensures that all children feel a part of the Waterside family. If you need help or support in getting the correct uniform, please do let us know.

Office

From 9.00am until 3.15pm the school office will be closed daily to visitors including parents without a pre-arranged appointments. If you need to contact the office, you can do this via telephone on 01782 234630. If you need to make an appointment to see a member of staff, please do call the office who will be more than happy to help you.

We ask that if you wish to collect your child for an appointment during the school day that you let the school office know beforehand.

No unauthorised person will be able to enter the school site to collect a child.

We will only allow pupils to be collected from the office by a authorised person with password.

Thank you for your support in ensuring that our school site continues to be safe.

Help with Learning
If you require any support with learning, please contact your child's class teacher via class dojo.

Help with Behaviour
If you are concerned about your child's behaviour, please speak with the class teacher or your child's Phase leader.

Help with Safeguarding
If you have any safeguarding concerns, please raise these immediately with Mrs. Willis (DSL) or 01782235100 (Stoke)

Help with online safety
If you would like information on how to ensure your child is safe online, please contact Mrs Marray or Mr. Grocott.