

Waterside News

Empowering Learners to Achieve Dreams

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Headteachers Message

Happy Friday!

There has been some amazing learning that has taken place this week across school, and the buzz in classrooms around their topics clearly shows the children's enthusiasm for learning.

In Nursery and Reception they have continued their learning around special events and festivals. They have been learning about Diwali and Hanukkah.

In Year 2 the children have been studying the books the Owl who was afraid of the dark and this week have role played the events in the story.

In Year 3 the children have continued their learning on the text Peter Pan and have been looking at the features of narrative text.

In Year 6 today the children have taken part in their DT day and have made spring rolls.

Our enrichment clubs also offer plenty of extra learning opportunities outside of the curriculum. Miss Nisa, who runs our Arabic club, has been very impressed with the learning the children have completed over the weeks.

Next week, Year 1 will be heading to Barlaston Downs to aid their learning about the countryside. Year 5 will be planning a trip to the Potteries museum around their topic Anglo Saxons and Year 4 will be building dens and using tools in forest school.

Don't forget to ask your child about their learning – I am sure they will have lots to tell you.

Mrs. Willis





STARS OF THE WEEK



Ducklings –
 Ducks – Nella
 Swans – Ailna
 Seals – Malahki
 Seagulls – Amelia
 Penguins – Omid
 Puffins – Matei
 Turtles – Zarnish
 Jellyfish – mehra
 Stingrays – Shuaib
 Manatees – Aaliyana
 Narwhals – Summayah
 Dolphins – Khadija A
 Sharks – Zainab
 Whales – Layla



Value Award



Ducklings –
 Ducks – Elaph
 Swans – Sana
 Seals – Leen
 Seagulls – Hashim
 Penguins – Iga
 Puffins – Waliyah
 Turtles – Leena
 Jellyfish – Tilly
 Stingrays – Reece
 Manatees – Madina
 Narwhals – Khadija A
 Dolphins – Khadija N and Izaan
 Sharks – Soma
 Whales – Emaan



Attendance Matters



Week 11

EYFS

Class	Ducklings	Ducks	Swans
%	88.5%	87.3%	93.7%

KS1

Class	Seals	Seagulls	Penguins	Puffins
%	91.3%	96%	96.7%	99.3%

LKS2

Class	Turtles	Jellyfish	Stingrays	Manatees
%	99.4%	93.4%	97.3%	97.4%

UKS2

Class	Dolphins	Narwhals	Whales	Sharks
%	93%	92.7%	96%	94%

School Target 97%

Whole school attendance (excluding under 5s) – 95.5%

Whole school attendance – 94.3%



Swans

Puffins

Turtles

Turtles

Whales



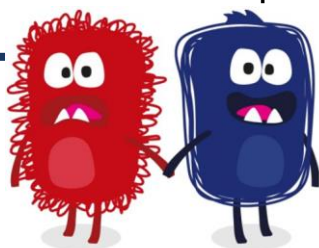
Parent Voice

Parent feedback is also really important to us. If you could please complete a quick survey we would really appreciate this. However, the survey only gives us a glimpse and not details. If there is anything at all you would like to discuss with a member of staff please do get in touch via class dojo.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Parentsurveyterm12023>

Parent Workshop

Next week we have our first parent workshop on Red 2 Blue. The children over the next few weeks are also being introduced to this in school. Red 2 Blue is also used with individual pupils to support them to regulate their emotions. If you would like to know more about this please speak to your child's class teacher to book a slot in the workshop.



Pupils with SEND

At Waterside, parents input into how we support children with SEND is vital. Class teachers will be reviewing pupil targets over the next 2 weeks. If your child has additional needs you will be invited in from Monday 11th December to a review meeting. You should hear from your child's class teacher if you need to attend.

Academy Council

Due to the resignation of one of our school council members we currently have a vacancies for a parent councillor. If you are interested in this role could you please email your interest into head@wps.set.org.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR AUTUMN

8.12.23 – Christmas Jumper Day
14.12.23 – School Disco
19.12.23 – 21.12.23 – EYFS/KS1 Production

IMPORTANT DATES FOR SPRING 1

08.01.24 – INSET Day
09.01.24 – Start of Spring 1
23.01.24 – Y2 Parent consultation
25.01.24 – Y6 Parent consultation
30.01.24 – Reception Parent consultation
01.02.24 – Y1 Parent consultation
05.02.24 – Mental Health Week
06.02.24 – Y4 Parent Consultation
07.02.24 – FILM NIGHT
08.02.24 – Y3 Parent Consultation
09.02.24 – HALF TERM

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. Twigg or Mr. Grocott.