

# Waterside News

Empowering Learners to Achieve Dreams

Academic Year 2023/24 – September 2023 – Issue 2



## Headteachers Message

Last week was our first full week in school. All children have settled back in well to school routines and it has been great to welcome even more new families to our Waterside family.

On my daily walk around school I have been impressed by the attitudes to learning and the focus in lessons. Our knowledge based curriculum is full implemented and the children are retaining key facts and applying them into their learning which is great to see.

This week work will begin on our KS1 and 2 yards and the field. This is the second phase in our project to improve the outdoor environment for the children. We have 2 new shelters, a running/ walking track, an outdoor gym, new basketball hoops and an agility trail being installed over the next 4 weeks. Areas will be zoned off where construction will be taking place. The first phase will include the removal of existing structures so you will notice that the field, the pagoda and the KS1 train are zoned off this week.

When all work is complete we will have an official opening. The children can not wait!

Mrs. Willis  
(Head of School)





The red marks on the map show where will be fenced off as work commences this week. This has been shared with all pupils so that they know to stay away from these areas.



Week 2

EYFS

Class	Ducklings	Ducks	Swans
%	96.6%	91%	92.7%

KS1

Class	Seals	Seagulls	Penguins	Puffins
%	94.7%	94.7%	99.3%	96%

LKS2

Class	Turtles	Jellyfish	Stingrays	Manatees
%	98%	95.9%	97.2%	96%

UKS2

Class	Dolphins	Narwhals	Whales	Sharks
%	95.3%	98.7%	94.7%	97%

School Target 97%

Whole school attendance (excluding under 5s) – 96.4 %

Whole school attendance – 95.9 %



Ducklings

Penguins

Turtles

Penguins

Narwhals

# DATES TO REMEMBER



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR AUTUMN 1

Please see below some important dates for Autumn.

More information regarding each event will be sent out separately.

WB 25.09.23 – Enrichment Clubs to begin (10 weeks)

25.09.23 – Timetable Rockstar Launch Day

WB 2.10.23 – Harvest Donations Collected

10.10.23 – Y2 Parent Consultations

12.10.23 – Y6 Parent Consultations

16.10.23 – Y5 Bikeability

17.10.23 – Reception Parent Consultations

19.10.23 – Y1 Parent Consultations

24.10.23 – Y3 Parent Consultations

25.10.23 – Y6 Bikeability

25.10.23 – Film Night

26.10.23 – Y6 Bikeability

26.10.23 – Y4 Parent Consultation

## 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.

## 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.

## PE uniform

After consultation regarding PE kits with staff, parents and pupils, we have decided at Waterside to remain with allowing children to wear their PE uniform on the day that their PE lesson takes place. We will trial this in the first instance, review and amend the policy as required. Next week a letter will be coming home explaining what PE uniform is required. As this will form a part of the children's uniform, children will be expected to wear the correct kit on those days.

### 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.