



Waterside Weekly

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are fast approaching the end of the Autumn Term and heading towards our Winter Festival activities! It is hard to believe that it is already the 2nd December and very soon the holidays will be upon us.



The festivities will start with our **Christmas Dinner on Friday 9th December**. This is also **Christmas Jumper Day**; where children will be invited to come into school for a non-school uniform day. We encourage those coming in Christmas Jumpers to make a £1 contribution towards **Save the Children**. All monies raised will go directly to this very worthy charitable organisation which supports over 45 million children across the world get the medicine, good food and education that they need.



This year, back by popular demand, we will once again be staging our Early Years (EYFS) and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Nativities. The Early Years will be performing on the Wednesday 14th December both morning and afternoon and Key Stage 1 will be performing on Thursday 15th December both morning and afternoon. **Please see the letters that have already gone out for further details.** Tickets, as always, will be free of charge.



Due to current Health and Safety (including fire safety) regulations we have had to limit tickets for each event. In our best efforts to prevent any disappointment, we have decided to add an additional performance for each key stage on Tuesday 13th December; and have brought forward our dress rehearsal performances which are to the rest of the school. Dress rehearsals will now take place on Monday.

This will be my very first time seeing a Waterside Primary School Winter Performance and, I have to say, I am very much looking forward to sharing these extremely special and memorable moments with you all.



Our School Ethos and Values – **Friendship in our Communities**



Our Vision and Values

Value	Rule
Respect	We always show respect for ourselves, each other and our school.
Excellence	We always do our very best.
Friendship	We always follow our friendship code.
Courage	We always tackle challenges and try being brave.
Determination	We are determined to get our school to outstanding
Inspirational	We will always be good role models to inspire our school.
Equality	We are always fair and value every individual.

This week our whole school focus and our assemblies have concentrated on understanding friendship and mutual responsibilities within our communities.

We have looked at the link between people who support us in our communities, for example our Road Crossing Patrol Officers (aka Lollipop people), shop keepers, Community Police Officers, waste management removal teams, and so much more.

We have also been considering how friendship could be spread between different cultures, genders and age groups with a dedicated focus on understanding and creating a climate of equality.



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Autumn Enrichment (After school) Clubs and Activities

Our wide range of after school enrichment activities continues this half term across every year group. Please also remember that we have breakfast club running every morning. Details of this can be accessed via the school office.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Monday		Multi-sports					
Tuesday	Construction	Storytelling	Outdoor Crafts	Multi-sports or Board Games	Photography	iPad Skills	Computing
Wednesday	Storytelling	Outdoor Crafts	Multi-sports or Board Games	Art	iPad Skills	Photography	Debate
Thursday	Outdoor Crafts	Drawing	Storytelling	iPad Skills	Dance or Board Games	Dance	Photography
Friday							Multi-sports

Please ensure prompt collection at 4:20pm.

A Reminder: The last day of Autumn Enrichment (After school) Clubs and Activities will be Friday 9th December (Christmas Jumper Day)

THE LAST DAY OF THE AUTUMN TERM IS FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER.



Spring Term Clubs will be published by the end of next week so that parents and carers can sign up for the new activities. The new clubs and activities will start on 16th January 2023 and continue until Friday 24th March.



Autumn Term 2

Term Ends: Friday 16th December

Holiday: Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January



Our Attendance Target is 97% or above...So far we have achieved 94.9%

This week the class with the highest attendance was **Jellyfish with just over 96%** 😊 and the lowest class had just over 91% due to a bug 🐛.

Let's continue to work together to improve our attendance overall, to reach and exceed our 97% target!

Help with Learning

Book a time slot with the class teacher.

You can also use Class Dojo or 'contact us' on the class pages of the website.

Help with Behaviour

Book a time slot with the class teacher if it is about your child.

At school we do not tolerate unkind behaviour.

If you are still concerned please book an appointment with the DHT or Headteacher.

Help with Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility!

Come immediately to see:
Mrs King (Principal)
or Mrs Willis (Deputy Headteacher)
01782 235100 (Stoke)

Online Safety

Online safety is particularly important in our technological world!

If you would like further information on how to support your child to keep safe then please contact Mr Grocott (Y5)



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