



Waterside Weekly

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after the February Half Term break!

Another opportunity to express HUGE thanks for the way in which the whole school community got together to support our Turkish Community in raising funds for the Turkey-Syria Earthquake appeal!

Together, at school, we were able to raise an amazing £950.90 all of which has been passed on to support the tremendous efforts of the British Red Cross in those regions.

The devastating earthquake has left families in need of life saving supplies following the ‘catastrophic’ damage after a series of high magnitude earthquakes and aftershocks; resulting in many people trapped, injured and homeless.



A number of charities with emergency responders have been working tirelessly to help. Your response and contribution has been very gratefully received and will be used wisely in these globalised efforts to provide much needed and urgent relief for those affected.

Our School Ethos and Values – *Inspiration*

Following on from last half term’s focus on Determination, this term we are exploring Inspiration – thinking about those who inspire us and the values that shine through! We also consider how we can collectively share these as part of our fabulous team

During this focus we identify:

- What the term inspiration means
- What being inspirational looks like in practise
- How this affects our behaviour and friendships
- How we can inspire others



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.

through our other school values, for example, through hard work, courage and determination. And also through British Values.

Our exploration of this theme takes place in a wide range of different ways, including through inspiring stories, engagement in charitable events and activities and through a focus on inspiring people from a range of cultures, backgrounds and giftings.



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Thank you to all of the families who have attended our attendance well-being sessions. Your engagement has already begun to reduce barriers to attendance and encourage some of our lower attenders to understand how important it is to be in school every day!

This means that our attendance for the academic year has now managed to creep up to 94% - which is broadly in line with the current National average statistics.

However, we know that this is not as good as it could be for some of our children. Please do let us know if there is anything further that you think we can do to help...or just give our Welfare Team a ring if you would like any information, help or advice on anything that may be affecting your child, you or wider family. We are here to help and support. Together we can ensure that your child has the best start in life!

We still have a way to go to meet our target of above 97% by the end of the academic year. I am certain that with your support we will get there!

Last week the class with the highest attendance was Jellyfish with 97.6% - Congratulations Jellyfish!! This week, Puffins' class has built on your efforts with a fabulous 98% - Very well done indeed!



Don't forget that next week we will be holding additional activities for British Science week. The theme this year is 'Connections'!

Please look out for more information which will come out via Class Dojo...and remember to check out our Class Blogs to see all of the exciting activities in action!

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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