

Waterman Primary School



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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely half term break.

I have attached the diary dates so you can see and prepare for some of the upcoming events in the lead up to Christmas. Some events will have more information sent out closer to the time.

Our first exciting event is next week. If you haven't seen on class dojo, or on the letter that came home earlier in the week, Mr King has organised a whole school Geography day on Tuesday 7th November to give the children an opportunity to learn about different countries and their culture. During the day the children will take part in a range of activities including a dance session taught by qualified dance tutor from Dance Days. We ask for £1 donation towards the cost of our visitor. These donations make it easier to provide other school trips and visitors throughout the year.

Children are invited to come to school wearing the colours of their class flag as follows:

Acorn: United Kingdom, red, white and blue

Chestnut: Spain, red and yellow

Willow: Germany, black, yellow and red

Oak: India, orange white and green.

At the end of the afternoon, you are invited to attend our special assembly at 2.45pm where the children will share their learning and perform their themed dance routines. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mrs E Thorn

Reminders:

- **School dinners** need to be ordered by 10am. If you have an appointment and are in late, please ring ahead to order
- **Volunteers needed:** for Reading Champions and FLOWs (PTA) – thank you for those who have already approached us expressing an interest.
- **LETTERS** as requested we are only sending out letters on a Friday wherever possible. Please be reminded to check bookbags for any letters. Letters are also posted on ClassDojo and the school website.
- **Lost Property** Please ensure any jumpers / items of clothing belonging to others that your child might have mistakenly picked up. We can only return clothes to the rightful owners if they are clearly named.

Best attendance this week goes to:

Acorn: 93.2% Lower than our target
Chestnut: 90.6% Lower than our target
Willow: 84.7% Lower than our target
Oak: 96.7% Lower than our target

Whole School Attendance: 90.79%
Target: 97%

10 lates this week : 536 minutes lost learning time

Awards this week

Star Pupils: Jacob-Jay Hughes, Callum, Braydon, William

Pupils on Gold: Finlee x2, Kaiden, Jacob x2, Hattie, Ronnie, Mitchell, Colby, Brandon, Charlie, Braydon, Aiden, Rowan

Special Table: Janelle, Archie, Billy, Libbie

WoW Work Alife, Charity, Matthew,

Moved up a reading Level: Syiera, Wyatt

Team Points

	This week	Total
Bobbin Red	58	568
Reservoir Blue	48	572
Magnolia Yellow	54	516
Cherry Orchard Green	52	576

Maths Challenge

You will have received a letter introducing our new maths Superhero maths challenge – I wonder if you have the skills to beat the heroes.

Children in Acorn and Chestnut will start on number recognition, pattern and number bond challenges.

Children in Willow and Oak will all start on trying to beat Batman through their knowledge of the 2, 5, and 10 times tables, including the related division facts.



Attendance

As the weather gets colder we are aware that children will suffer from coughs and colds.

Please be assured that school has plenty of tissues, encourages handwashing and regular drinking of water.

A common cold, is not really a reason for non-attendance at school. It can make us sluggish and even as adults, we can struggle! A dose of calpol before school will often help get a child 'up and running' for the day.

In school we do, of course, monitor pupils and contact parents if they become really unwell.



Forest Schools News

It is very important that your child has appropriate warm clothing in school for outdoor PE sessions and Forest Schools. This forms part of our uniform policy and children are expected to be equipped for learning. Children are expected to take part in these lessons, whatever the weather, and parents will be informed every time their child has not got the correct kit.

Acorn Class enjoyed exploring 2 huge pumpkins.

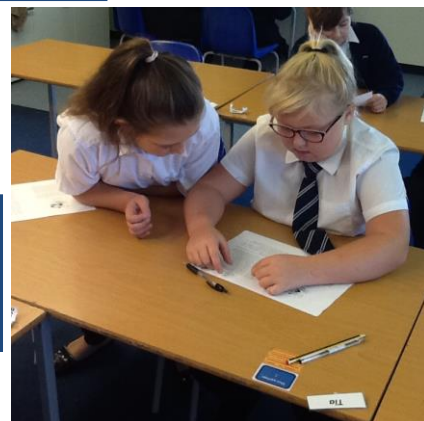
Check out our pumpkin handwriting, pumpkin scooping and pumpkin boats.

Some of us were strong enough to carry the pumpkins but they were very HEAVY, and did you know that they float?



Willow Class have enjoyed becoming Bomber Dog, ready for our suspense writing!

Oak class took part in shared reading.



Diary Dates

November	
Friday 3 rd Nov	Kittle – individual school photos
Tues 7 th Nov	Geography day (Dress in class colours)
Mon 13 th Nov	Antibullying week – Details to follow
Friday 17 th Nov	Class Sharing Assembly : OAK
Monday 20 th Nov	Into Film Festival @ Odeon
Friday 24 th Nov	Class Sharing Assembly : Chestnut
Tuesday 28 th Nov	Flu immunisation
December	
Friday 1 st Dec	Class Sharing Assembly : WILLOW
Wednesday 6 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Followed by 'Learning with your child workshop' – ICT afternoon
Weds 6 th – Mon 11 th	Scholastic book Fair in school
Friday 8 th Dec	Christmas fair (incl Scholastic book fair)
Mon 11 th Dec	2pm Nativity – Siblings welcome
Tues 12 th Dec	2 pm Nativity – No siblings
TBC	Christmas Disco (TBC by FLOWS)
Friday 15 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day – £1 donation to Save the children
Friday 15 th Dec	LAST day of Term for pupils
Monday 18 th Dec	INSET