

# Waterman Primary School



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Dear Parents / Carers,

Another fun and productive week at Waterman. As I type I am listening to Year 6 in their drumming sessions and am amazed at how well they maintain the rhythm as a group. I received a lovely letter this week from KES saying that when the Year 6 pupils visited they were a pleasure to have as they were 'fully immersed in the session.' They highlighted two pupils in particular for exceptional approach to the day; well done Phoenix and Archie.

The half term is whizzing by and as the last week draws nearer we have our Parent consultation meetings. Please see the accompanying letter and make an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher to talk about achievements and progress this half term.

Our Harvest Assembly takes place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October, we will be collecting food and donations for Harp, Southend's homeless charity. We will begin collecting donations next week to make a display as part of our assembly. Please send any donations of tinned, long-life food and drinks into class.

*Mrs E Thorn*

## Reminders:

- **Data / Contact details** We are still waiting for many of these to be returned so that we can ensure that contact, medical and other important information we have is up to date in case of any emergencies.
- **Forest School / PE** : As the weather is beginning to change please ensure that your child has appropriate outdoor kits for PE and Forest School. Tracksuit bottoms, jumper to go over T-shirt, and wellies.
- **Head Lice** We have had a case of head lice in school. Please be vigilant in checking and treating your child's hair as necessary. Thank you



HEARTS ACADEMY TRUST

The Trust held its first Parent Forum Tuesday 26th September and it proved most valuable. Thank you to the parents that attended; discussions included the new term dates and the provision of SEN. We hope that our next meeting at Hearts House, Wickford, on the 9th January 2018 will have representatives from more schools - please let the Trust office know if you would like to attend by emailing Mrs Partridge on [admin@heartsacademy.uk](mailto:admin@heartsacademy.uk). Unfortunately we will have a limit on space and can only accommodate three parents from each Trust school.

## Best attendance this week goes to: Oak Class

Acorn: 98.1 %  
Chestnut: 94.8% Lower than our target  
Willow: 92.2% Lower than our target  
Oak: 92% Lower than our target

Whole School Attendance: 93.8%  
Lower than our target

Target: 97%

21 Lates this week : **278** minutes  
lost learning time

## Awards this week

Star Pupils: Ronnie W, Saorise, Albe, Kyreese

Pupils on Gold: Hattie, Ollie, Mitchel, Ronnie A x2, Finlee, Angel-Rae, Harvey, Jacob, Caiden, Saorise, Naomi, Syeira, Wyatt, Brandon, Tilly, Albe, Conner, Spencer

Special Table: Angel, Syeira, Tilly, Eoin

WoW Work: Harvey, William, Frankie, Archie

## Team Points

	This week	Total
Bobbin Red	113	396
Reservoir Blue	138	379
Magnolia Yellow	101	355
Cherry Orchard Green	123	373



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@WatermanPrimary

## Reading Champions



We would like to re-launch our Reading Champion scheme. This is where parents get to come in and read with pupils to support with extra reading opportunities. Our new reading records have proved a hit and pupils have been seen to be bringing reading books to and from school much more regularly.

If you would like to volunteer we will be hold an information meeting to show you how we teach reading and some basics around the use of phonics and decoding.

There is no set day that we would ask you to come in to read. Whether this was on a weekly or even fortnightly basis for 1 hour or a whole afternoon, as volunteers we would be grateful for the time you are able to give.

As part of safeguarding procedures we would have to carry out a volunteer safeguarding check

If interested please speak to your class teacher or respond via the post on the School Story of Class dojo. Once I know how many people are interested we can find a suitable date for an introductory meeting.



Using Chinese whispers in Science to understand evolution - how changes happen over generations.

Making fossil jelly moulds in Science to understand how fossils are formed.  
**Below:** Latin with Minimus.

