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# The Haven @ Waterloo Your Pastoral Team

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## Welcome back!

Welcome to the first edition of The Haven newsletter. We hope all of our families have had a great summer, we have been so excited to welcome all our children back.

As a team, we want to keep families in the loop with local events, with any help that is available in the community, and with the work we are doing in school. The Haven team will be working very hard this year to ensure all families are welcomed into our Waterloo family.

You may have noticed our office has changed location and in its place, we have our very own Haven Family Room. We are very excited to get this up and running. We will be using the family room to run interventions with children, to teach our children and families life skills, to run courses such as Managing Challenging Behaviour, to host coffee mornings and many other



exciting activities for our children and families to enjoy. We really look forward to working with all of you!

Behind the Haven Family Room, we have our new Sensory Room. We are hoping this room will be up and running before the end of term. This room will be used for children who may need support with regulation, sensory needs or SEMH needs. We will be welcoming all children throughout the school to come and experience the sensory room.

The Haven will no longer be running nurture groups at lunch time. Instead, we will be a presence on the playground at lunch times and will be offering interventions and structured activities in the Haven Family Room. We hope this will enable our children to gain the tools they need to help them become more confident, self-aware, resilient and independent.

Upcoming events will be announced on the school's Facebook page.

## Meet the team 🙂

The Haven team consists of two Family Support Workers, our SENDCO and our Pastoral Manager.



### Chyna – Pastoral Manager/ DSL

I have been part of the Waterloo family for four years now and have been in the role of Pastoral Manager for nearly one year. I have two children of my own and we love having fun and being silly! In my spare time, I love completing ninja worrier courses, going to theme parks and having fun on drop slides. I am a bit of a thrill seeker and incredibly competitive <sup>(i)</sup>. I absolutely love my job and I am excited for all the big plans our team have! My background is in housing and family support and I have always been passionate about it. My absolute goal is to ensure every member of the Waterloo family (parents, children and staff) gets a 'hand up' when they need it most and learns some useful skills along the way! After all, we are all in this together and life can be tough!



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## Miss Gold – SENDCO

I have been part of the Waterloo family for 8 years and have taught throughout school. Although I do miss having my own class, I am really enjoying my new role as SENDCO! I am passionate about ensuring all children are receiving the right support and that every child is able to reach their full potential. At home, I have a three year-old little boy who is Hulk obessed and continuesly keeps me on my toes. I would like to say I enjoy the gym, but I enjoy pizza, chocolate and shopping more!



#### Sarah – Family Support Worker

This will be my 4<sup>th</sup> year being a Family Support Worker at Waterloo. One of the highlights of my role is having the privilege of supporting our children and families.

When I am not in work, I love making memories and having adventures with my own family in our campervan. My hobbies include socialising with friends, ice skating and going on long walks with our bonkers Collie.

I am a massive foodie! Food is very much life, so we are always on the lookout for new and exciting cuisines to try. I look forward to seeing you all on the playground ©



#### Lori – Family Support Worker

This will be my first full school year at Waterloo. Although I am new to Waterloo, I have worked in education for 9 years. I started as an LSA working throughout all year groups, I then changed my roles to support children as a Pupil Engagement Officer. I am now extremely excited to have joined the wonderful Waterloo family as a Family Support Worker. I am really looking forward to getting to know all the families and children at Waterloo. My passion within the role is children's mental health and supporting children and families to succeed in every aspect





of their lives. In my spare time, I follow my children around to all their football games which I love. When I am not a football Mum, I enjoy spending time with my family and the occasional spot of karaoke.

# Things Happening in the Community:



What? – CAP life skills hosted by Blackpool Church and Beacon Church.

Where? – Beacon Church 42 Reads Avenue.

What time? - 1 -2:30

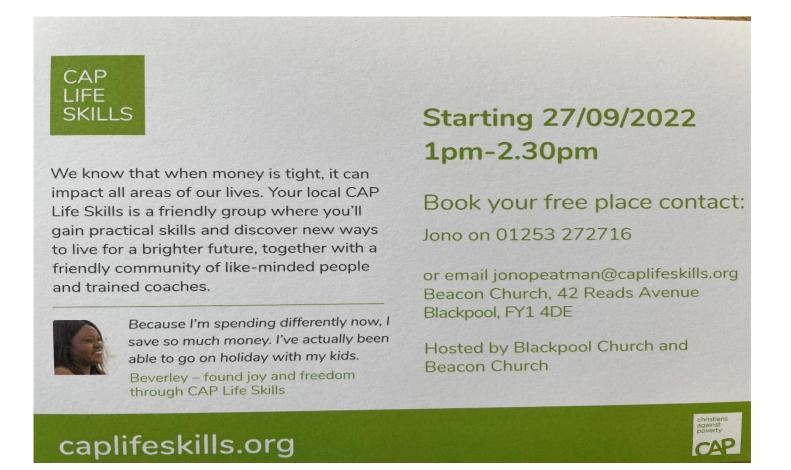
When? – The course begins on the 27<sup>th</sup> September and runs for 8 weeks.

This is wonderful opportunity for families to learn and grow in taking control of their finances and their well-being. These sessions are free and even have a crèche run by volunteers.



If this is something that interests you please, self-refer or, if you prefer, contact a member of the Haven team and they can complete a referral with you.

Please see below for more information on how to self-refer.



As you are aware, the cost of living is due to rise again over the next few months. Please find attached information on help that is available to families. We have found this document really helpful!

The document is at the bottom of the link in an orange box titled 'Help with Bills – England and Wales – August 2022'.

The Haven team are on hand to help with any enquiries you have about the document.







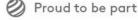
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Or place your 50p in the box provided

As you may be aware, Waterloo are working very closely with the Kindness Counts charity. Please hand your entries and 50P to one of the Haven team. Good luck





The foodbank will be running every Friday from 3pm on the playground. Please remember to bring a carrier bag.

> If you would like any extra support, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the Haven team.

> We wish our children and families a fantastic school term.

