

20th October 2023

WHAT A FANTASTIC HALF TERM WE HAVE HAD!

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we have been back at school for 7 weeks – it has absolutely flown by!

Party Like A Roman

A big thank you to everyone who came to support Year 5 at their end of theme celebration yesterday – I'm sure you will agree, it was absolutely fantastic! The children really enjoyed showcasing their work and it was a lovely opportunity for parents and carers to see what the children have been learning in school. Our thanks go to the children and the staff, for doing such an amazing job and to you, for all your help with the wonderful costumes.

Book Fair

We would like to thank everyone who purchased an item from the book fair last week. Thanks to your generous support, we have earned £696.82 to spend on books for the children. This is absolutely wonderful and we are extremely grateful to you all.

October HAF Programme

Lots of children are very excited about the half term HAF programme, which is being run over the holidays in school, by Blackpool Football Club. If you have already booked a space for your child, please ensure that they attend on the days you have signed up for. This avoids spaces being 'wasted' and saves the team from having to chase people on the day. Please remember that this wonderful provision is not being run by school. If you have any questions, please contact Blackpool Football Club and not the school office.

Nasal Flu Spray

Many children had their nasal flu spray at school today. The nurses were very complimentary about our pupils, saying that their behaviour was impeccable and that they had beautiful manners. This was lovely to hear - the children are a real credit to Waterloo and to yourselves.

Poppies

On Friday 10th November, we will be marking Remembrance Day in school. Poppies will be on sale in school throughout the first week back. A minimum donation of 20p per poppy is requested. All the money raised, will go towards helping The Royal British Legion to support the Armed Forces community. Thank you so much in advance of your generosity.

Bonfire Night

Over the holidays, some of you will undoubtedly be celebrating bonfire night. Please ensure that you all stay safe. We know that fireworks at home might seem very exciting, but the advice is to try, wherever possible, to attend organised bonfires and firework displays. These are far safer and lots of fun for all.



Lunch Boxes

Over the last few weeks, we have noticed a sharp rise in the number of children bringing sweets, chocolate and fizzy drinks to school as part of their packed lunch. Although we all love the occasional sweet treat, the food the children eat at lunchtime, plays a huge part in how successfully they are able to learn in the afternoon. Please try to ensure that your child brings a healthy, balanced lunchbox to school. Our suggestion would be a sandwich/wrap (or something similar), some fruit, a yoghurt, a biscuit or crisps and a drink. Having a healthy lunch will set your child up really well for their afternoon in class.

Staffing News

Today marks the departure of two members of staff - Ms James and Miss Parker. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all that they have contributed to Waterloo life, during their time with us. They really will be missed by the staff team and by the children that they work alongside, but they leave us to embark upon new, exciting chapters in their lives. We want to thank them for all their hard work and dedication, and we wish them well as they venture to pastures new.

Vacancies

We currently have a number of vacancies in school. If you would be interested in potentially joining our team, please do look on our website for more details.

End of half term

A reminder that today marks the end of this half term. School will re-open on **Monday 6**th **November at the normal time.**

Thank You

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole Waterloo family for a wonderful first half term. The children have worked incredibly hard and have achieved such a lot over the last 7 weeks. Every member of staff has given their all, day in, day out to help the children to flourish in such a wonderful environment and for that, I'm extremely grateful. I would also like to thank every parent or carer - your support makes all the difference!

Everyone at Waterloo, wishes all our children and their families, a fantastic half term holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again in two weeks, ready for the start of a brand new half term and all the exciting opportunities that it will bring.

Kind regards,

Jenny Brown Head of School