

11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## A VERY BUSY WEEK IN SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week this week, with so much wonderful learning taking place right across school.

### Consultation Evenings

Thank you to everyone who joined us for consultation evenings this week, it was fantastic to see both evenings so well attended. Time spent with your child's class teacher is always incredibly valuable, as helping your child to achieve their full potential, is a team effort. We hope that you enjoyed hearing about our wonderful new and exciting curriculum.

### Book Fair

Thank you so much to everyone who bought a book from the Book Fair this week. In due course, we will be able to tell you how much money has been generated for school, but we are really grateful to everyone who was able to support us in this way.

### Show Racism the Red Card - Wear Red Day

Next Friday, we are inviting the children to come to school in non-school uniform (wearing something red), to mark the charity *Show Racism the Red Card's* **Wear Red Day**. There is no place for racism at Waterloo and as a staff team, we are determined to help our children to understand that a diverse world is a rich world. We want our children to value one another and see the richness and beauty in diversity. We want them to grow into individuals who believe that we all have worth, we all have value and we all matter. We will be marking this important event with a special assembly and age-appropriate discussions in classes.

### Punctuality

I know that as the term goes on, children get tired and getting to school on time can be really challenging, but I'd like to politely remind everyone that **school starts at 8:45am**. Learning begins in classes before 9am, so if your child arrives even a few minutes late, they have already missed an important part of their day. In the last couple of weeks, we have seen a sharp rise in the number of children who have been late for school on a regular basis. Please make it a priority to ensure that your child arrives on time, as this will set them up well for the rest of their day.

### October HAF Programme

Once again, Blackpool Football Club will be running the HAF programme in school over the half term holiday. The programme takes place from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October (9am-1pm). If you would like to book a place for your child, please use the link below:

<https://forms.gle/KDZDL2LwJA4AZMWk6>

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.

### **Adult Conduct on the Playground**

Over the last couple of weeks, there have been a number of fallouts on the yard between adults. Whilst I appreciate that we all experience moments of frustration in life, I'd like to politely remind people that the school playground is not the place to air your frustrations.

As a school, we promote respect and kindness amongst the children and we expect the whole of the Waterloo family to demonstrate the same values. I would really appreciate it if everyone could be mindful of their conduct whilst on school premises.

Thank you so much for your help with this – we want our school environment to be a safe place for all.

### **End of half term**

A reminder that next Friday marks the end of this half term. It is a full day in school, with no early finish. In a change to our normal holiday pattern, school will re-open on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October at the normal time** and all children are expected to return on this date.

At the end of an extremely busy week, everyone at Waterloo wishes all our children and their families, a relaxing and restful weekend.

Kind regards,



Jenny Brown  
**Head of School**