

The Weekly NEWSLETTER



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Reading, steady, go!...

Happy New Year! We are launching 2020 with a HUGE push on reading. As a school we are focusing all our energies on doing the absolute basics exceptionally well. I don't believe there is anything more important than being able to read, write and count. We would love to have your support with this and hopefully you will notice this influence in your children too. PLEASE spend just 5 to 10 minutes every night reading with your child; let them read their book to you, write and sign in their reading record book and you can also expect that your child will be heard by their teacher once a week and by other school staff wherever possible. Occasionally children will claim to have lost their reading book, yet their parents know exactly where they are hiding. However, IF the books do remain lost or come back to school damaged then we will have to issue a penalty to replace them, we are sure this will happen fairly infrequently. Please support us with this initiative, we really want to ensure our children are fluent readers and are reaching at least the national standard when they leave us. Some children who have previously been on 'free readers' may now be reassigned a reading book for our scheme. This is purely in the interest of developing their fluency, we aren't in any way trying to hold children back, please trust our judgement in this matter. I hope you all enjoy the wonderful pleasure reading can bring! **Mark Hamblett, Headteacher**

Staffing & Vacancies...

We have some staffing news to let you know about. Mrs Cardwell, our School Business Manager left us just before Christmas to start an exciting new venture. Mr Fox has now left Waterloo after many years of teaching here, mainly in Y5. Mrs Skimming has also left Waterloo after working most recently in the Reflection Room. Miss Kay (one of our Nursery LSAs) left us temporarily on Friday to begin her maternity leave. Good luck to all our leavers, we're thinking of you all. We now have some vacancies which are currently advertised on our school website or indeed.co.uk We welcome Mr Mark Grayson to the Y6 teaching staff. He will be teaching in Y6 alongside our current staff and will provide a great support to ensure our children are catered for exceptionally well in their final year, welcome to the Waterloo family!

House Points...

Weekly totals	Hope	400	Running totals	Hope	5563
	Peace	398		Peace	6296
	Respect	390		Respect	6147
	Trust	416		Trust	6268

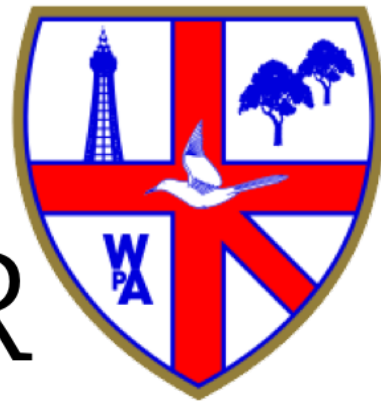
Attendance matters...

	YNBP AM	YNBP PM	Year R VW	Year R CH	Year R SC	Year 1 JC	Year 1 SHo	Year 1 SK
No. of lates	3	2	6	11	6	4	7	1
Attendance	82.5%	85%	95.7%	92%	95%	95.9%	96.1%	94.5%
	Year 2 MBr	Year 2 CK	Year 2 WG	Year 3 SH	Year 3 CHa	Year 3 NC	Year 4 BC	Year 4 KR
No. of lates	4	3	4	4	7	5	1	4
Attendance	94.5%	97.3%	88%	95.7%	93%	94.3%	94.3%	98%
	Year 4 SM	Year 5 JW	Year 5 KM	Year 5 RJ	Year 6 LB	Year 6 JR	Year 6 TD	Whole School
No. of lates	1	3	8	3	4	0	5	94.3%
Attendance	91.4%	92.8%	91.4%	98.3%	92.3%	96%	94.3%	
EXCELLENT (97% or above) 😊			AVERAGE (93-97%)			POOR (below 93%) ☹️		

Headteacher's Award Winners...

YRVW	YRCH	YRSC	YIJC	YISHo	YISK	Y2MBr	Y2CK	Y2WG
Jessica K	Carter H	Daisie C	Robert B	Daisy-Leigh	Levi-Lee	Lily R	Danny W	Tillie G
Y3SH	Y3CHa	Y3NC	Y4BC	Y4KR	Y4SM	Y5JW	Y5KM	Y5RJ
Georgia H	Whole class	Lily D	Mason P-A	Parris S	Owen M	Sofia N	Bella W	Kirsty B
Y6LB	Y6JR	Y6TD	This week's theme was: Perseverance... Congratulations to all our award winners, well done!					
Shania B	Harvey D	Megan F						

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Spare clothes / tubes...

Reception are currently running very low on spare clothes. If anyone has any spare (clean) socks, underpants, knickers, tights, skirts and trousers for ages 3-5 years, please bring these to the school office. Your help is much appreciated!

Also, if you could please save up your (again, clean) cardboard tubes from kitchen / toilet rolls and hand them into Reception or the school office, we will put them to good use in our art displays. **Thank you.**

Communication...

We are soon going to start posting more information on our school Facebook pages in the way we send messages out on the app. We are also going to put copies of all letters we send home in the entrance to our school office, along with frequently asked-for forms such as holiday dates and term-time absence requests. Please do not use the school's Facebook page as a place to complain about school, this isn't helpful at all.

Vaping/Smoking/Swearing...

As you will be aware, school is a no-smoking site. This also extends to 'vaping'. Please don't use vapes or other electronic cigarettes in the playground or within the school grounds. We really don't want our children exposed to this unpleasant habit. Can I please also ask parents not to swear on the playground. Children (or adults for that matter) should not be exposed to swearing when they come to school. We are a school, please respect this. **Thank you to all our polite and courteous parents and carers, thankfully you make up the majority.**

Dates for your diary...

DATE	TIME	MORE DETAIL
15.01.20		Closing date for admissions (Reception September 2020)
21.01.20	All day	School Nurse visiting YR & Y6 classes
14/02/20	Normal times	Break up for February half term (1 week)

Don't be a stranger, contact us...

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Meet the staff...



Mrs Claire Harrop, Year 3 Teacher

Hi, my name is Claire Harrop. I have worked at Waterloo since 1994. I live in Poulton with my husband, Marcus, and our 3 cats - Taz, Snoopy and Tigger. In my spare time, I enjoy watching football and cricket, especially Liverpool and the England cricket team. As a music lover, I enjoy listening to a variety of music.



Extra-curricular timetable...

Mon:	Dodgeball (Year 3): Mr Brent-Reid Dodgeball (Year 4): Mr Shepherdson Girls' football team (Years 5 and 6): Mr Powell
Tues:	Choir (Years 3,4,5 and 6): Mrs Casey and Mrs Hornby; <i>until 4.25pm</i> Football (Year 1): Mr Shepherdson Football (Year 2): Mr Powell Cricket (Years 5 and 6): Mr Brent-Reid
Weds:	Boys' football 'A team' (Years 5 and 6): Mr Jordan and Mr Powell Boys' football 'B team' (Years 5 and 6): Mr Brent-Reid and Mr Shepherdson
Thurs:	Athletics (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6): Mr Brent-Reid Badminton (Year 5): Mr Shepherdson Badminton (Year 6): Mr Powell MADD club (Years 5 & 6): Miss Bradley and Miss Parker