

Term Dates 2021/2022**Term 1:** 2.9.21—21.10.21**Term 2:** 1.11.21—17.12.21**Term 3:** 5.1.22— 10.2.21**Term 4:** 21.2.22—1.4.22**Term 5:** 19.4.22—27.5.22**Term 6:** 7.6.22—22.7.22

Wateringbury Primary School NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th October 2021

Well autumn is definitely here – the big coats, tights and boots are out the loft! The children are still enjoying playing outside so please make sure that they always have their coat with them. Unless the rain is torrential we will try to get out and play; the children need the fresh air!

On Monday, we had our Harvest Festival at the church and it was wonderful to see so many children, parents and members of the church sharing what we have and giving thanks for our food. Thank you so much to all parents for your kind donations which will support many members of our local community.

Last Thursday evening was the Friends of Wateringbury Primary School (FOWPS) AGM. I don't want to steal their thunder as there will be lots of information coming soon about the committee and upcoming events but there was great relief among the committee members to be able to plan events for the whole school and the children again. There will be something for bonfire night, discos and Christmas things which is fabulous but we need to be aware that they may be slightly different versions of previous events as we still need to be careful about COVID-19. Thank you to them for their hard work. They are a very friendly bunch, so if you think you would like to join them in rain

On that note, we do have cases in school at the moment, but they are confined to one class. It may feel frightening and worrying that there are cases in school but we are doing a lot better than many other local schools. Please keep being as vigilant as you are by testing your children if they have symptoms and keeping us informed. Unfortunately, this is something that I think we are going to have to learn to live with, especially over the summer. The important thing is that we do all we can to keep the children and all members of our school community safe whilst also ensuring that they can keep learning and socialising.

We have got new parent tours next week and I am looking forward to showing people around our lovely school. Everyone I have shown round so far has commented on how happy the children are and how engaged they are in their learning. I have been impressed with the learning that is going on this term – the children are certainly making up for lost time!

It is hard to believe that it is only two weeks until half term. We have so much learning and fun to cram into that time but I am sure, like us, you are looking forward to the break.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Miss Debbie Johnson

Headteacher

Learning, growing, achieving... Our journey together



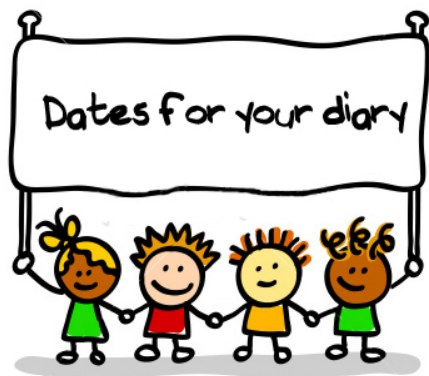
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Half term holiday club – **Nettlestead and Wateringbury Preschool and Out of Schools Club** will be offering childcare and fun on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of half term, from 9am – 4pm. If you are interested in your child/ren attending, please contact the setting directly on: enquiries@nwps.org.uk or 01622 813120

- 11th-13th October:** Open mornings for new reception starters sept '22
- 19th & 21st October:** Parent Consultations
- 21st October:** Kent test results to Year 6 parents
- 22nd October:** INSET day (no pupils in school)
- 25th—31st October:** HALF TERM
- 9th November:** Flu immunisation for all year groups
- 12th November:** School photos

Parents Evening will be held on Tuesday 19th and Thursday 21st October, and will continue to be via zoom with the class teacher.

Please book your slots through our parents evening booking system. The link for this can be found on our website. Appointments will go live on Monday 11th at 4pm.

For parents who would like to book a 20 minute appointment with our SENCo Mrs Bryant, she will be available on Tuesday 19th from 12pm and Wednesday 20th. Please call the office to book in your appointment



BONFIRE NIGHT 5th Nov from 5:30 —save the date! More info to follow

OPEN DAYS September '22 intake

Slots are available for next week Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Do you have a younger child due to start next year? Do you have a friend with one? Spread the word! Please book your slot with the office.

*****Reminders*****

Please can you ensure all money owed for school trips and swims are up to date. Please make payments; cash to office or pay online through school gateway asap if you owe.

School Gates—Phoenix Drive will only be unlocked between 8:30 –8:45am. Please leave the playground promptly

Wooden gate on school drive will be locked at 8:50am.

ALL LATE ARRIVALS after 8:50 to enter school through school office

This week our stars are:

- Bramble: **Isaac Osborne** for a brilliant attitude change towards his learning.
- Honeysuckle: **Cybil Wilkin** for being amazing! Always trying her hardest, making the right choices and being a brilliant role model.
- Foxglove: **Sully Abi-Aad** for his all round energy, enthusiasm, confidence and great attitude to learning.
- Clover: **Joshua Hasan** for always being ready to learn and making contributions in every subject.
- Bluebell: **Darcey-Mae Reader** for being amazing.

Any child attendance updates ie daily sickness/ lateness messages, must be communicated to the office by phone or email, not just by class dojo. Thank you!

