



# Waterside Primary Academy

*Meet the teacher evening*

*Academic Year 2025 to 2026*



**#happychildrenlearn**



Caring



Attitude



Respect



Effort



Safety



# Waterside Primary Academy

*Meet the Reception teaching team*

**Miss Cooke**  
Year 6 teacher  
History and  
Geography lead

**Miss Knowles**  
Teaching Assistant



# Waterside Primary Academy

## Senior Leadership Team

**Mrs Blackmore**  
Headteacher



**Mrs Orchard**  
Deputy Head



**Mrs Holland**  
SENDCo



**Mrs Scott**  
EYFS Lead

## Wider Leadership Team

**Ms Trevathan**  
Deputy SENDCo



**Ms Essex**  
Family Liaison  
Officer





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## Safeguarding Team



Look out  
for our  
rainbow  
lanyards



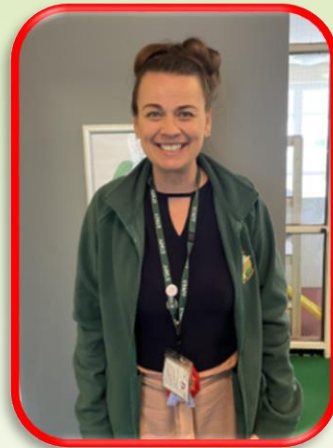
**Mrs Blackmore**

**D**esignated  
**S**afeguarding  
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**Mrs Scott**

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**Ms Essex**

**D**eputy  
**D**esignated  
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# Waterside Primary Academy

Our school values



Caring



Effort



EFFORT



Attitude



ATTITUDE



Respect



RESPECT



Safety



SAFETY





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## Expectations



Safety

Illness absence  
(call every day)  
Report concerns  
Seek support



Caring

Friendly, caring and helpful  
(Card system and Class Dojos)



Attitude

Positive attitude to learning  
Correct school uniform – *Waterside Pride!*  
Excellent attendance (over 95%)  
Punctuality (in school by 8.45am as registers saved at 8.55am).  
Pick up is 3.15pm.



Respect

Good behaviour & manners  
(Card system and Class Dojos)



Effort

Effort in all areas of the curriculum  
Completed home learning & in on time  
Daily reading at home  
(recorded in reading record)



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Year Group	Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>English</b>	<p><b>Guided Reading text:</b> Private peaceful</p> <p><b>Focus Texts:</b> Private peaceful</p> <p><b>Writing Text Type:</b> Propaganda posters Balanced argument Poetry Narrative</p>	<p><b>Guided Reading text:</b> Holes</p> <p><b>Focus Texts:</b> Holes</p> <p><b>Writing Text Type:</b> Persuasive brochure Diary entry Newspaper report</p>	<p><b>Guided Reading text:</b> Journey to the river sea</p> <p><b>Focus Texts:</b> Journey to the river sea</p> <p><b>Writing Text Type:</b> BLOG VLOG Mystery story</p>
	<b>Maths</b>	Place Value Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division Fractions Converting Units	Decimals Fractions, decimals and percentages Algebra Perimeter, Area and Volume Ratio Statistics	Shape Position and Direction SATS preparation Consolidation, investigations and preparation for KS3
	<b>History</b>	What was the impact of World War 2 on the people of Britain?	What was life like in Tudor England	Who should go on the bank note? Transition unit.
	<b>Geography</b>	Why does population change?	Where does our energy come from?	Can I carry out an independent fieldwork enquiry?
	<b>Art</b>	Make my Voice Heard (Drawing)	Artists Study (Painting)	Photo Opportunity (Craft & Design)
	<b>DT</b>	Shelters (Structures - Material)	Chinese kites (Mechanical systems)	Mini enterprise (food tech and structures)
	<b>Science</b>	Animals including humans (RSE) Living things and their inhabitants	Evolution and Inheritance Light	Electricity and circuits RSHE
	<b>RE</b>	Theme: Beliefs and Practices	Theme: Beliefs and Meaning	Theme: Beliefs and meaning





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## Class Timetable

Half term:	Autumn 1	Class:	Year 6	Teacher:	Miss Cooke
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	Monday	Tuesday Homework due	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday Homework set
8.45-9.00am	Soft starts/morning starters / Handwriting / Spelling / Arithmetic				
9.00-9.30am	Phonics/Reading	Phonics/Reading	Phonics/Reading	Phonics/Reading	Phonics/Reading
9.30-10.30am	Writing	Writing (Swimming at 10-12)	Writing	Writing	Writing
10.30-10.45am	Playtime				
10:45 – 11.45pm	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
11.45-12.00	Assembly	Spelling/Handwriting	Assembly	Spelling / Handwriting	Achievement Assembly
12.00-1:00pm	Lunchtime				
1 – 1.15pm	Handwriting/Reading/ SATs boosters				
1.15pm-2.15pm	Science	Computing	History	P.E (Premiere)	Art
2.15-3:10pm	Science	Library	Computing	RE	French Spelling test + homework
	PSHE	spelling			Golden Time
3:00 – 3:15pm	Story and getting ready for home				





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## Assessments

11+ practice Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September  
11+ Test Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

## SATS

Week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> May

## Writing

Continuous teacher judgement throughout the year.

## Science

Continuous teacher judgement throughout the year.





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## *Dates*

*Reading café- Friday 10th October 2:45*

*Residential Norfolk- March 2026*

*The Misbourne school open evening- 18th  
September*

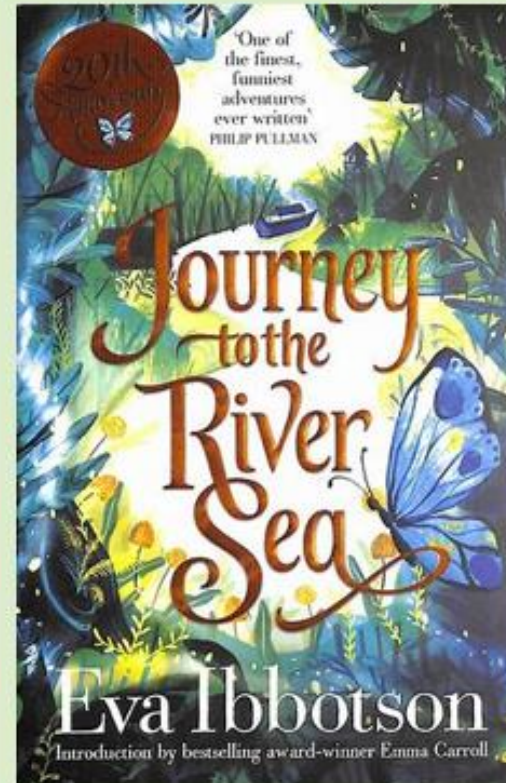
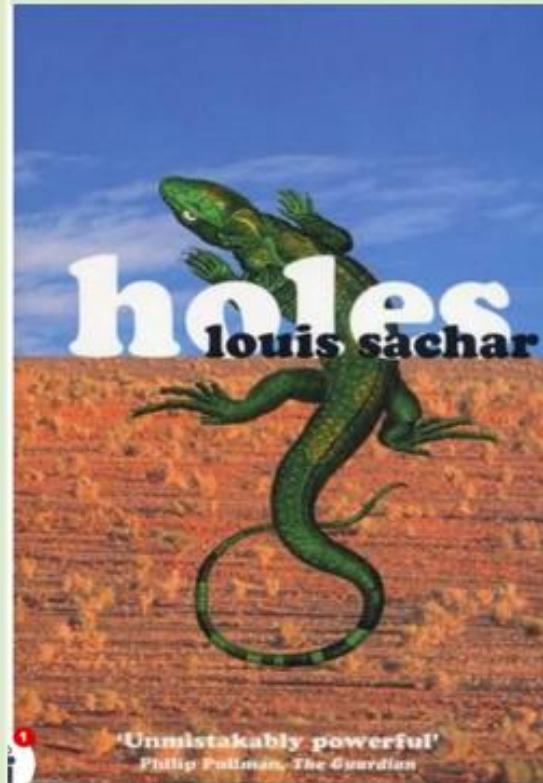
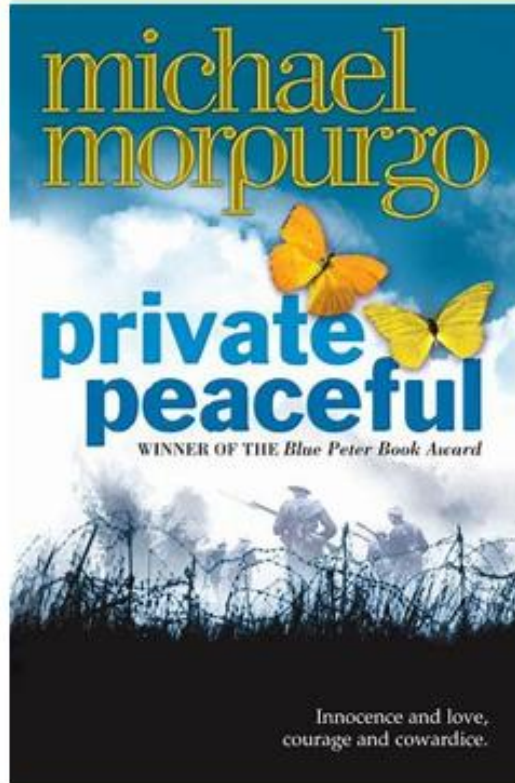


# READING TEXTS

Autumn

Spring

Summer



You are welcome to get a copy. Please do not read them before we start studying them in class.





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## Reading



Accelerated  
Reader



- Once your child is ready they will use Accelerated Reader to engage, challenge and track their reading.
- Your child should aim to quiz once a week (shorter texts) or once a fortnight (chapter texts)
- The link to AR Book Finder is below:  
<https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/UserType.aspx?RedirectURL=%2fdefault.aspx>
- Use the following link to access the Accelerated Reader quizzes online for children in Year 3-6 who are off our phonics scheme.
- Your child's individual log can be found in the front of their reading record.  
<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/7262811>



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## *Writing overview*

We use our reading texts as a base for our writing.  
Each half term the children will complete two pieces of published work.

Across the year, they will write for different purposes.

- Writing to entertain
- Writing to inform
- Writing to persuade
- To express thoughts and feelings





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## Mathematics overview

<b>Autumn term</b>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Place value</b></p> <p>FREE TRIAL</p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Fractions A</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Fractions B</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Measurement</p> <p><b>Converting units</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	
<b>Spring term</b>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Ratio</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Algebra</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Decimals</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Number</p> <p><b>Fractions, decimals and percentages</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Measurement</p> <p><b>Area, perimeter and volume</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p><b>Statistics</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>
<b>Summer term</b>	<p>Geometry</p> <p><b>Shape</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p>Geometry</p> <p><b>Position and direction</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>	<p><b>Themed projects, consolidation and problem solving</b></p> <p>VIEW</p>			





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## Equipment needed



book bag



reading  
book



reading  
record



water  
bottle



all  
belongings  
named



warm  
waterproof  
coat



cap or  
hat



painting  
apron





Uniform reminders

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All black and green gingham items should be **TAILORED** and from shops with a school uniform range.

They can be bought from any retailer.



KS1 White Polo Shirt

KS2 Waterside tie

KS2 White shirt with long or short sleeves



Startrite: Luke



Geox: Iberide Girl A



Clarks: Steggy 2 Pace



Geox: Iberide Girl F



Clarks: Daze Step



Clarks: Etch Pure



Startrite: Zigzag



Startrite: Wish



Startrite: Origin



Clarks: Relda Wish



Clarks: Urban Solo



Clarks: Lock Magic

Shoes must be black leather with a low heel and fastenings such as Velcro or buckles.

ONLY agreed items may be worn as school uniform

ONLY BLACK SHOES to be worn on NON PE days



Your child will need to wear their PE kit to school on their PE days.

The black jogging bottoms and black striped shorts can be bought from any shop with a school uniform range.

Only ALL BLACK TRAINERS to be worn on PE days





# Uniform reminders

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Items which are NOT part of our uniform

Cycling shorts for PE



Black trainers with colours on them



Hoop earrings



Necklaces



School Shoes

Please purchase shoes your child can undo and fasten themselves.

Laces can be challenging at school if they are unable to tie laces themselves.

House t-shirts

Fruit of the Loom from Amazon are great!



Adaptive Uniform

Please speak with Mrs Holland (SENDCo) regarding adaptive uniform.

If your child has **SENSORY PROCESSING DIFFERENCES** then fabric alternatives to the uniform can be agreed following a discussion.

Adaptations will then be written in your child's Learning Support Plan so all staff are informed and aware.





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school  
dinner

Every child must have a Parent Pay account, regardless of eligibility, as this is the only way that meals can be ordered in future.

If you need to open a Parent Pay account please contact the school office to obtain an activation letter to access the website and order online.

Access your Parent Pay account by [clicking here](#)



**Meal bookings MUST BE placed in advance by each Thursday for the following week.**

You will see the menus on Parent Pay and on the school website.

Children in Reception and Years 1 & 2 are entitled to a free school meal each day but this must be ordered this on Parent Pay.

Children in Years, 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Any child who is eligible for Free School meals must also have a Parent Pay account to order meals online.



packed  
lunch



water



sandwich  
or roll



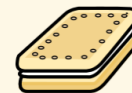
fruit



yogurt



pasta



biscuit



vegetables



cheese  
cubes



wraps

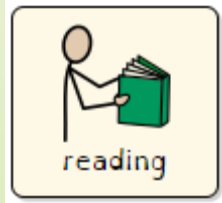
If you do not wish your child to have a school meal, please provide a packed lunch.



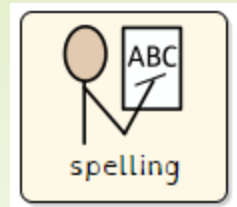


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## Supporting your child at home



- All children should read 5 times a week and this should be recorded in your child's Reading Record (in EYFS state that all children should listen to a story each night and record in reading record, until they start getting a Ditty sheet or RWI book)



- **RWI** –The children will receive two RWI books per week.
- [Parent video: How to say the sounds – YouTube](#)
- **Weekly spellings** Explain how this works in your class and how they can help their child practise.





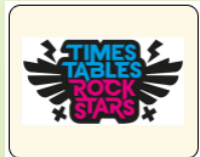
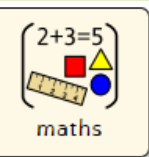
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## Supporting your child at home

- Times tables – Explain how this works in your class and how they can help their child practise.
- Home quizzes

### Key Facts:

Talk to your children as much as possible and encourage conversations to develop language & read to your child and listen to them read as much as possible as research shows that children perform better and make more progress when parents focus on reading and vocabulary!



# HOMework

Given out: Friday

Due in: Tuesday

We have homework books this year. Please look after them, you may wish to cover them in wrapping paper/sticky back plastic.



Spelling test on previous week's spellings: Friday

Reading: 20 minutes a day.

*Please ensure your child is still reading out loud to you.*

Spellings: Practiced 5 x per week

SPAG: Linked to learning in class or prior learning

Maths: Linked to what we are currently doing in class or a recap on prior learning

Topic: History/geography/science related work





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## Attendance

- Being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing and wider development. Evidence shows that the children with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best results.
- Having 90% attendance over 5 school years is half a school's year of work missed.
- We look for a minimum of 95% attendance. Any children below this will receive a letter at the end of a half term.
- It is vital you let us know if your child isn't in school and why.



### New Attendance Rules!

There are new rules for unauthorised absences, whether this is due to holiday, irregular attendance, or otherwise. Don't get caught out!



**1 I'm a parent and I want to take my child out of school for a half or full day.**

Any absence must be recorded on an absence request form. The form enables us to communicate whether an absence will be authorised or unauthorised. Holiday requests will not be authorised. If your child will miss 5 school days, they will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is £80 per parent, per child, if you pay it in 21 days, otherwise it is £160.

For each child a penalty is given...

+£80 +£80 +£80 +£80

**4 children & 1 parent = £320**  
Doubled to £640 if not paid in 21 days

**For a family of 2 parents & 2 children**

+£80 +£80

**£160 x2 = £320**  
Doubled to £640 if not paid in 21 days

**What happens if school suspects children are actually on holiday?**

Photos on Facebook?  
Foreign mobile dial tone?  
Other children talking about your holiday?  
Amazing sun tan?  
Home visit shows no-one at home?

Please don't be offended if we ask for evidence or mention these questions to you. We're required to do this to ensure a fair system!

**2 What about subsequent absences? Is it still the same penalty amount?**

**No, not anymore.** If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> leave of absence OR pattern of irregular attendance, which is unauthorised, then...

**2<sup>nd</sup> TIME**  
2 parents and...  
1 child = £320  
2 children = £640  
3 children = £960  
4 children = £1280  
**NO DISCOUNT FOR EARLY PAYMENT**

**3<sup>rd</sup> TIME**  
A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court. A magistrate can fine each parent £2,500 for each child.  
**1 parent & 4 children = £10,000**  
**2 parents and 4 children = £20,000**

**3 What about irregular attendance? Could I get a penalty notice? YES**

If your child is absent (or late after registers) for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks, and their absences are unauthorised, then the school is required to consider penalty notices / prosecution.

**PENALTY!**

So, half a day here and day there could all add up to 10 sessions in 10 weeks. If unauthorised, then it would be a penalty notice. Remember, 1 day is 2 sessions (morning and afternoon).

**4 What are typical reasons given that won't be authorised?**

**Examples of unauthorised absences**

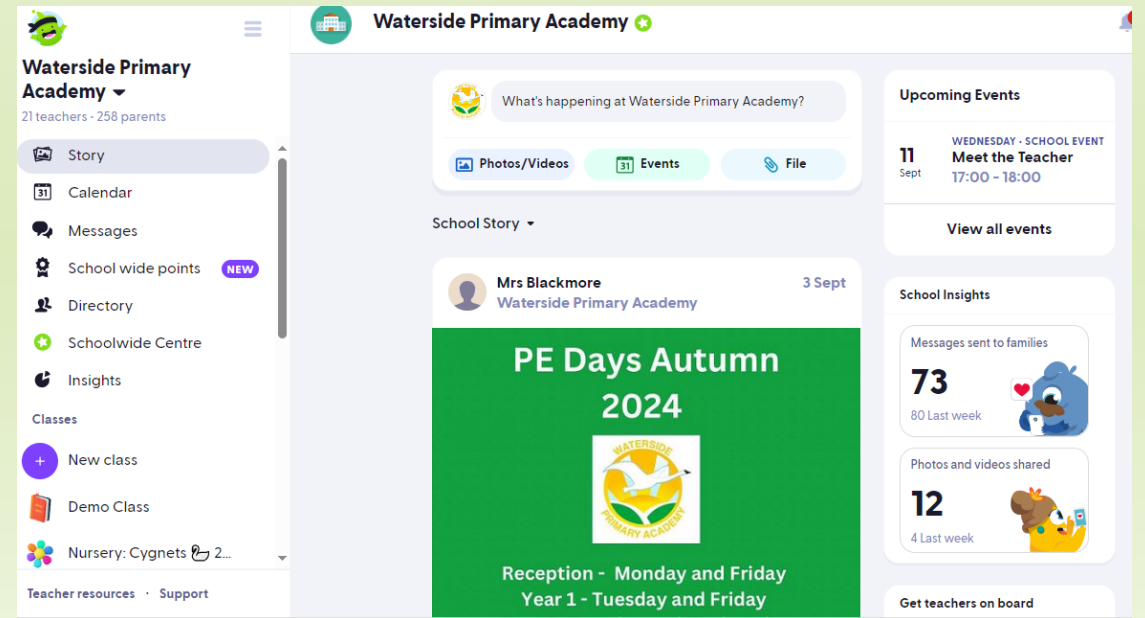
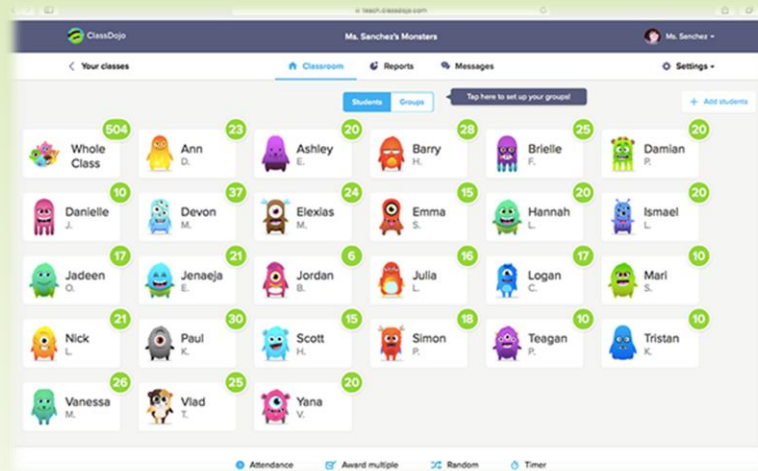
A family member's birthday	Sickness of parent or sibling
Shopping for uniforms	Sibling's school closed
Inadequate clothing for school	Refusing to attend, but able to
Child being used as a carer	Poor family organisation
Problems with transport	Family holidays
Visiting relatives abroad	No absence request completed
	Non-essential appointments

Where attendance is irregular, or historically poor, sickness absences may be unauthorised unless medical confirmation by a GP surgery is given.

EVERY DAY COUNTS – ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE



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## *Restorative approach within school*

- *At Waterside PA, we try to use a positive approach in helping our children to feel good about themselves.*
- *We have a 'Celebration assembly' every Friday where a child is chosen to be 'Star of the week'.*
- *We also award children with subject and caring awards at the end of each half term/term.*
- *We encourage the children to become problem solvers by using a restorative approach of teaching them how to resolve issues between themselves.*
- *We avoid heavy behaviour sanctions as much as possible but instead use a nurturing and responsive approach to help our children learn how to manage their feelings and behaviours.*



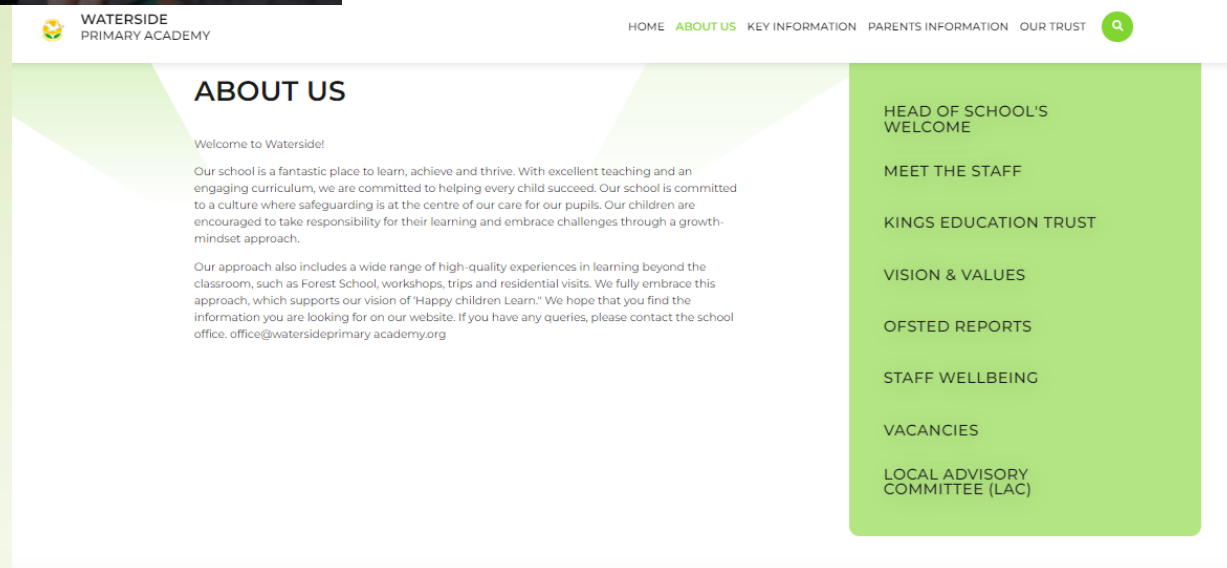


# Waterside Primary Academy

Our website



## Waterside Primary Academy - About Us





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## PTA and The Waterside Pigs



Waterside pigs



### Waterside Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

A friendly and welcoming group of parents and teachers who make fun things happen for kids, while raising funds for the school to spend on our children. Last year we helped to buy classroom fans and laptops for learning.

If you can offer as little as **half an hour** of your time each year, we need you!

**No big commitment required.**

See leaflet for more info or email: [watersideprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:watersideprimarypta@gmail.com) or scan this QR code

**PTA AGM is in Fri 3 Oct at 3.30 in the Hub. All welcome.**

*What you could do: make cookies – run a stall for an hour – face painting – pig-feeding – be class rep – use your skills - no offer is too small! Thank you.*

