



Academic Year 2026 to 2027

Waterside Primary Academy

Meet the teacher evening



Caring



Attitude



Respect



Effort



Safety



Meet the Reception teaching team

Waterside Primary Academy



Miss Cowan
Year 3 teacher



Mrs Butler
Teaching Assistant



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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**





Look out
for our
rainbow
lanyards

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Safeguarding Team



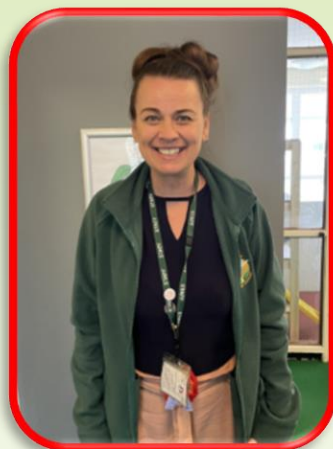
Mrs Blackmore

Designated
Safeguarding
Lead



Mrs Scott

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Ms Essex

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Mrs Edwards

Designated
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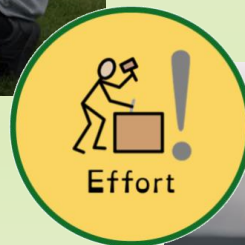
Our school values



Caring



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
long term
plan



Year Group	Subject	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Year 3	English	Guided Reading Text: Stone Girl Bone Girl The Fossil Hunter Iron Man Focus Texts: Stone Age Boy Iron Man Writing Text Type: Historical Stories Including Fables Instructions Sci-Fi stories		Guided Reading Text: Leonora Bolt- Secret Inventor Focus Texts: Journey – Aaron Becker Bow tie pasta – poetry adventures Writing Text Type: Journey Adventure Stories from other cultures Non-Chronological Reports Poetry		Guided Reading Text: The Sea Book Once upon a raindrop Wish Granter Focus Texts: The boy who stole the Pharos lunch If I were prime minister Writing Text Type: Diary entry VLOGs Adverts Recount	
	Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division		Multiplication and Division Length and Perimeter Fractions Mass and capacity		Fractions Money Time Shape Statistics	
	History	Would you prefer to live in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age?		Why did the Romans settle in Britain?		What did the ancient Egyptians believe?	
	Geography	Who lives in Antarctica?		Why are rainforests important to us?		Are all settlements the same?	
	Art	Prehistoric Art (Painting)		Growing Artists (Drawing)		Egyptian Scrolls (Craft & Design)	
	DT	Constructing a fort (Structures)		Eating seasonally (Food)		Electronic charm (Digital)	
	Science	Light and Shadows Rocks and Fossils		Animals including humans (RSE) Magnets and Forces		Plants	
	RE	Theme: The Amrit Ceremony and the Khalsa Religions: Sikhism Theme: Christmas Religions: Christianity		Theme: Jesus’ Miracles Religions: Christianity Theme: Easter- Forgiveness Religions: Christianity		Theme: Sharing and Community Religions: Sikhism Theme: Prayer and Worship Religions: Sikhism	
	PSHE	Being me in my world Celebrating difference		Dreams and Goals Healthy me		Relationships Changing me	
	PE	Invasion Games		Gymnastics Netball		Striking & Fielding Athletics	
	Music	Let Your Spirit Fly! (R&B) Glockenspiel (Learning to play)		Three Little Birds (Reggae) The Dragon Song (Singing)		Bringing Us Together (Disco) Reflect, Rewind and Replay (Western)	
	Computing	E-Safety	Coding	Coding/ Spreadsheets	Touch Typing/ Email	Branching Databases	Simulations/ Graphing
	French	Phonetics lesson 1 (C) & I'm Learning Fr (E)	Ancient Britain (E)	Fruits (E)	Seasons (E)	Ice-Creams (E)	Musical Instruments (E)



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Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45-9.00am	Soft starts/morning starters etc				
9.00-9.30am	Reading (30 mins)	Reading (30 mins)	Reading (30 mins)	Reading (30 mins)	Reading (30 mins)
9.30-10.30am	Writing (1 hour)	Writing (1 hour)	Writing (1 hour)	Writing (1 hour)	Writing (1 hour)
10.30-10.45am	Breaktime				
10:45 – 11.40pm	Maths (1 hour)	Maths (1 hour)	Maths (1 hour)	Maths (1 hour)	Maths (1 hour)
11.40-12.00	Assembly	R-Time/MFL	Singing Assembly	Circle Time/MFL	Celebration Assembly 11.30
12.00-1:00pm	Lunchtime				
1 – 1.15pm	Feedback time / Handwriting				
1.15pm-2.15pm	Music (1 hour)	RE (1 hour)	Science (1 hour)	PSHE (1 hour)	History
2.15-3:10pm	PE (55 mins)	PE (55 mins)	Science (55 mins)	Art (55 mins)	Computing (1 hour)
3:10 – 3:15pm	Storytime				

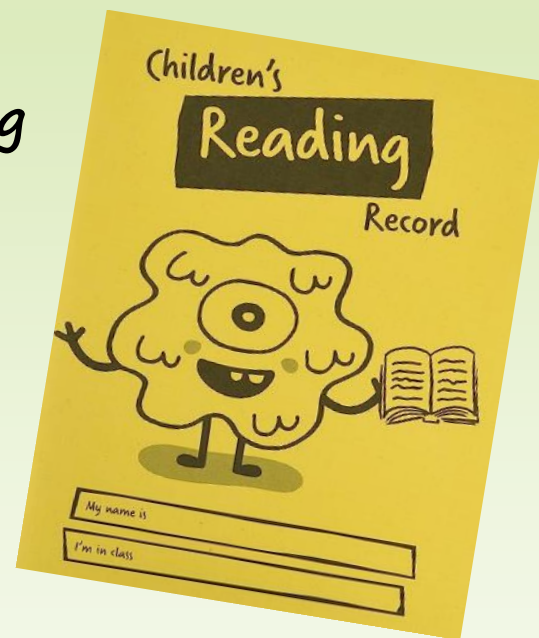




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Reading

- In KS2 we have moved on from phonics and are focused on our Vipers and reading.
- If children are still on phonics interventions are being held to support those children.
- You can help at home by reading regularly and filling in their reading record when you have heard them read.





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Reading

- We focus on fluency - please practise this at home too
- We learn different VIPERS skills



Vocabulary
Inference
Prediction
Explanation
Retrieval
Summarisation



- The school library was refurbished and we bought lots of new books so the children can all find something they enjoy.





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Reading

- 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>

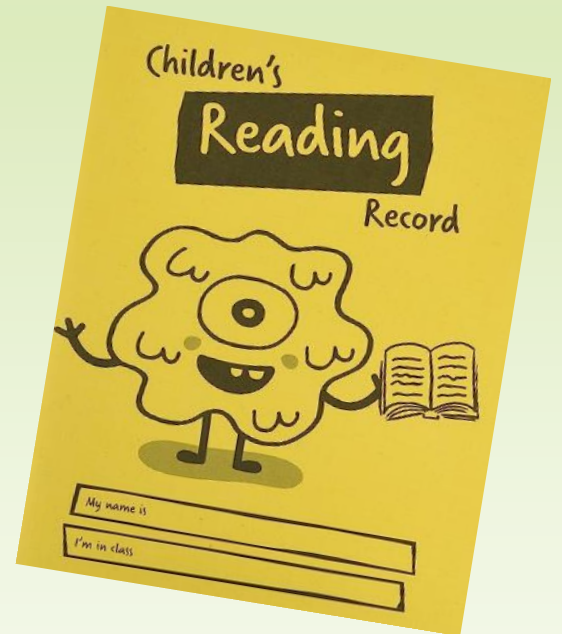


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Reading



- Please read with your child at home every day and parents/carers need to write in the reading record.
- In KS2 the children can complete the reading record themselves. However, it would lovely to see a comment from you at times too.
'... read for 10 minutes, lovely expression.'
'... read to page 32, struggled on the word ____.
- 5-10 minutes makes a huge difference.





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Homework

- Homework from next week will be sent out on Friday in their homework book. Please have it completed before the next Friday for me to check.
- Homework – A task, times tables, reading and spelling.





Writing overview

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Year Group	Subject	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 3	VIPERS Reading	Stone Girl Bone Girl The Fossil Hunter	Iron Man	Leonora Bolt-Secret Inventor	Leonora Bolt-Secret Inventor	The Sea Book	Once upon a raindrop Wish Granter
	Focus Text	Stone Age Boy – Satoshi Kitamura Cross – curricular writing science	Iron Man – Ted Hughes	Journey – Aaron Becker	Bow tie pasta – poetry adventures	The boy who stole the Pharos lunch – Karen McCombie	If I were prime minister – Trygve Skaug
	Writing purpose						
	To Entertain	Historical Stories (E)	Sci-fi Stories (Including setting description) (E)	Adventure stories (including character description) (E)	Poetry (acrostic poems) (E)		
	To Inform	Instructions (I)			Non-chronological Reports (I)	Recount (Diary Entry) (I)	
	To Persuade						Vlogs/Persuasive Adverts (P) Letters (P)
	SPaG	Past Tense Expanded noun phrases Commas for lists Conjunctions (co-ordinating) Adverbs (time)	Present Tense Speech Conjunctions (subordinating) Headings and Subheadings Paragraphs	Present Tense Paragraphs Pronouns Prepositions Fronted Adverbials (commas)	Apostrophes for contraction Headings and Subheadings	Past Tense a/an Speech Adverbs (ly)	Past Tense Commas for lists Paragraphs Subordinate clauses
	Spelling	Spelling SHED	Spelling SHED	Spelling SHED	Spelling SHED	Spelling SHED	Spelling SHED



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Mathematics overview

TERM	AUTUMN	Unit 1: Place value within 1,000		Unit 2 and 3: Addition and subtraction		Unit 4 and 5: Multiplication and division	
	SPRING	Unit 6: Multiplication and division	Unit 7: Length and perimeter	Unit 8: Fractions (1)	Unit 9: Mass	Unit 10: Capacity	
	SUMMER	Unit 11: Fractions (2)	Unit 12: Money	Unit 13: Time	Unit 14: Angles and properties of shapes		Unit 15: Statistics





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School trips

- This term the children are doing Stone Age. We are in the process of planning a 'Stone Age Day' to support their understanding of history and what life was like during prehistoric times. This will be held in school.
- A Trip to the British History Museum in London. Supporting their history learning with Egyptians.
- Farm Trip in Summer. Linking with the DT and Food discovery.





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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.



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

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

ONLY agreed items may be worn as school uniform

ONLY BLACK SHOES to be worn on NON PE days

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





KS2 Stationery

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KS2 Stationery

- Due to ever increasing financial pressures in schools we kindly ask that all KS2 children come to school with their own Stationery.
- A letter was sent out on Transition day but will also be available on Dojo listing all equipment needed.

Named pencil case which is clear and plain	
Two HB pencils	
Two handwriting pens (Blue ink- No biros) Children will start getting pen licences in Y3.	
A purple biro rollerball pen	
Rubber	
30cm ruler (Plus an additional smaller ruler to fit inside the pencil case)	
A set of colouring pencils (Maximum 12)	
2 black Whiteboard pens (Non-permanent/dry erase markers)	
A small pair of <u>round</u> ended scissors	
Glue stick	





Smart phone free school



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School Rules on Mobile Phones for Year 5 and Year 6:

- We are a Smart Phone Free School. Please click on the below link for more information: -
<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/schools-network>
- We strongly discourage pupils from bringing phones to school, as there is a risk of phones being lost, damaged or used inappropriately in school. Parents can always get a message to pupils by calling the school office.
- If a pupil has a need to bring a phone (**Not a smartphone**) to school, their parent must complete this permission slip and hand it to the class teacher.
- Phones must be turned off at all times on school premises (including on the playground before and after school, and in the cloakrooms).
- Pupils must hand their phone to their class teacher when they arrive at school. Their phone will be returned to them the end of the school day.
- The school accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to mobile phones. Please avoid sending valuable phones to school.
- Pupils' phones should be clearly marked with their name.
- If a pupil is found to be using a phone on school premises, this is a serious matter and will be dealt with in accordance with the school's Behaviour Policy.





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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



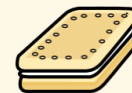
fruit



yogurt



pasta



biscuit



vegetables



cheese
cubes



wraps

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





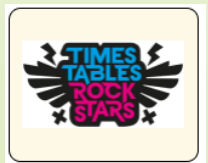
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Supporting your child at home (KS2)

- **Times tables** – There will be a times-tables test every Friday at the beginning of maths. Just by practicing your times tables with your child in the car/ on your way to school for 5 minutes will massively benefit your child. **Times table rock stars passwords** will be stuck in reading records.
- **Weekly spellings** – words sent home on Friday afternoon for there to be a spelling test the next Friday morning. Please practice these with your children.
- **Home quizzes on books** – Write in their reading journals.

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!





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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.

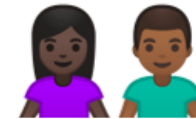


For each child a penalty is given...

+£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 2nd and 3rd leave of absence OR pattern of irregular attendance, which is unauthorised, then...

2nd TIME

2 parents and...
1 child = £320
2 children = £640
3 children = £960
4 children = £1280

NO DISCOUNT FOR EARLY PAYMENT

3rd 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?

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.



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).

YES

4

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

Examples of unauthorised absences

A family member's birthday
Shopping for uniforms
Inadequate clothing for school
Child being used as a carer
Problems with transport
Visiting relatives abroad

Sickness of parent or sibling
Sibling's school closed
Refusing to attend, but able to
Poor family organisation
Family holidays
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.



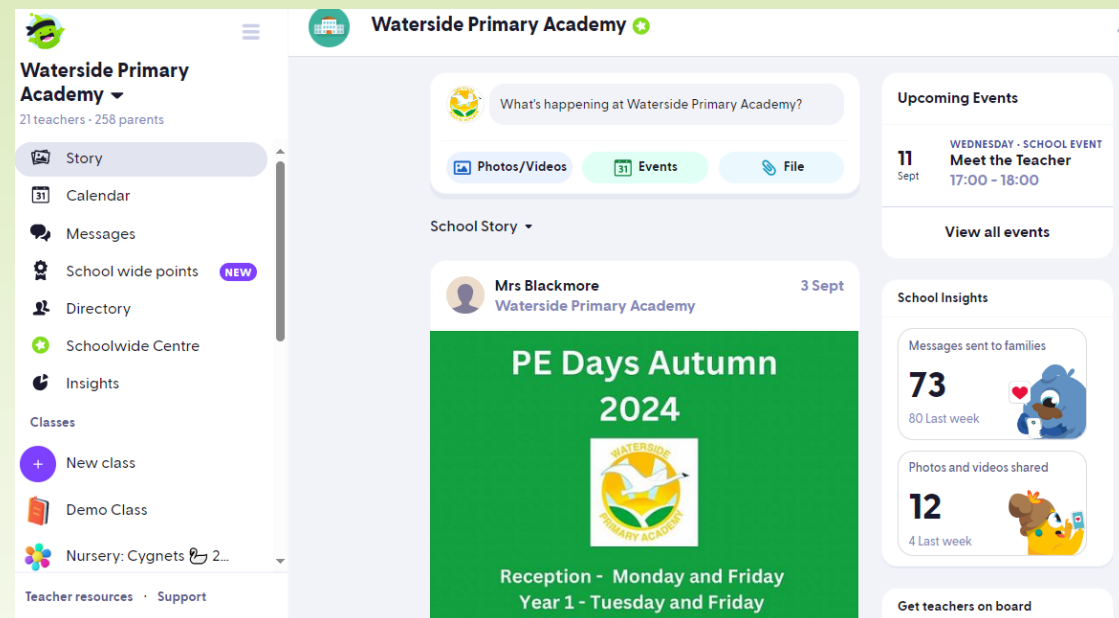
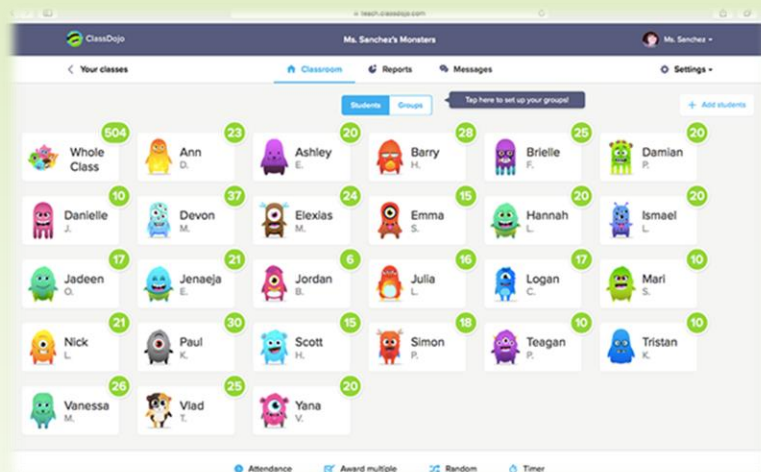
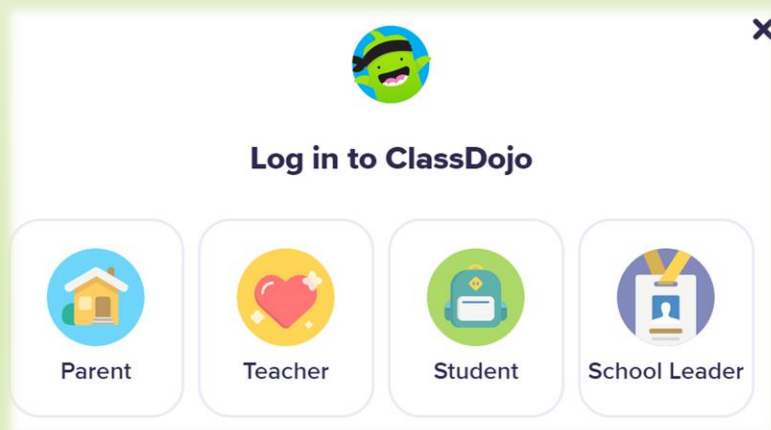
EVERY DAY COUNTS – ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE



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Class Dojo

- All class and school information will be shared on ClassDojo and is a vital source of information.
- All events will be updated on the Dojo calendar.





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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.

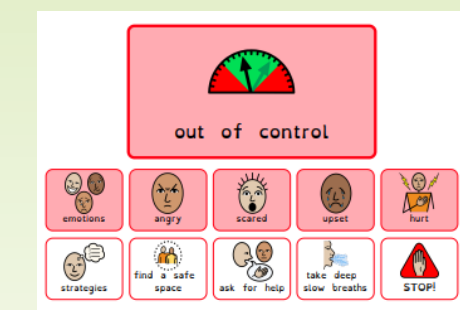
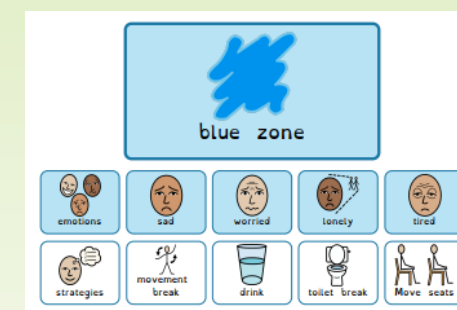
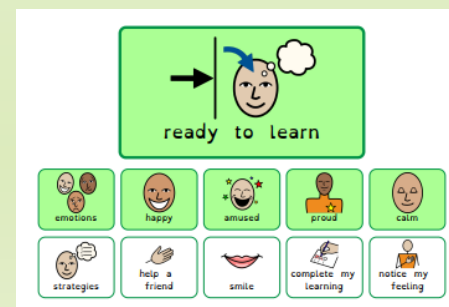




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Restorative approach within school

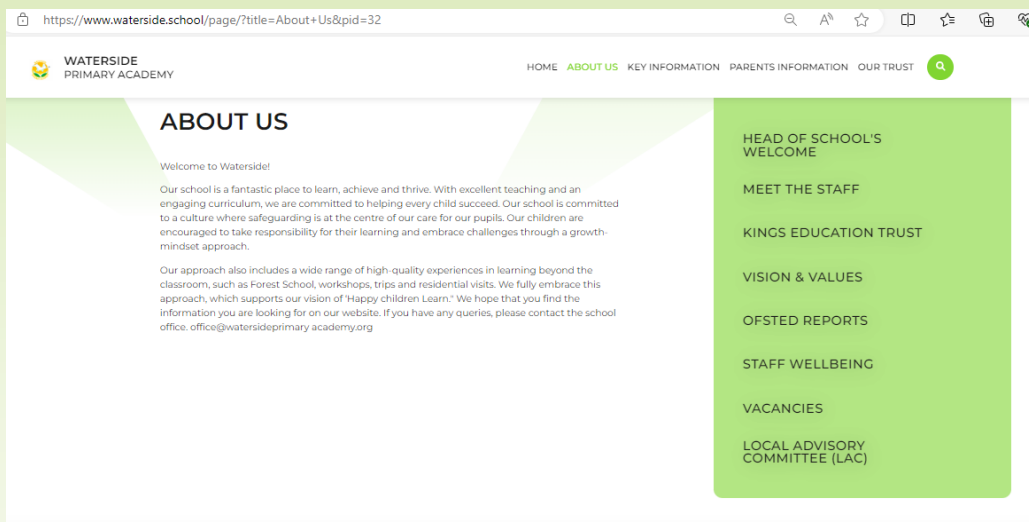
- The children use a daily feelings chart (Zones of regulation) and can share how they feel with the rest of the class daily.
- This helps children understand their own feelings and be able to express themselves from a young age, encouraging them to be much more emotionally intelligent and aware of others.
- Please read more about our visions and values and behaviour policy on our website.





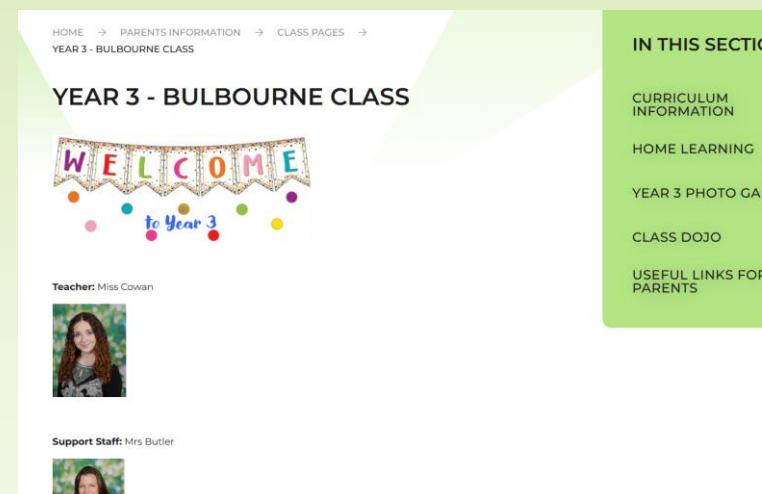
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Our website



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Class pages- Curriculum overviews





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PTA and The Waterside Pigs

Waterside PTA

We are a friendly group of parents who help to raise funds for the children at Waterside. Recently we helped pay for new playground markings, picnic benches and parasols, and have helped fund Waterside's Carnival creativity and part of the renovations to the Waterside Pigs' enclosure.

We also run coffee mornings and ice pop sales - watch out on Dojo for these! We'd love to meet you.

Join us! We need volunteers always. Contact us on [watersideprimarypta@gmail](mailto:watersideprimarypta@gmail.com) or scan the QR code



Coming up!

- **Wed 22 July 1-3pm** Summer Fayre
- **Fri 2 Oct 9am-** PTA AGM in the Library. ALL welcome.
- **Fri 2 Oct – evening** – the Waterside PTA Quiz night!
- **Thur 22 Oct** – Halloween event. Times TBC
- **Fri 27 Nov** – Xmas Fayre after school

Waterside Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

- The PTA organises fun events for kids and grown up to raise money to help the kids at Waterside.
- The PTA always needs parents and carers to help. Your skills, time and support is crucial.
- See leaflet for more info or email: watersideprimarypta@gmail.com or scan this QR code

Upcoming events:

PTA AGM, Fri 2nd Oct in the Library at 9.15am. See Dojo for info.

PTA Quiz night: Fri 2nd Oct 7.30pm School Hall

Halloween event – more details coming soon!

Also coffee mornings, second hand uniform, Xmas fayre and much more





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Breakfast club- Before school

- This club is run by our Waterside Team members (Miss Bell and Mr McHugh).
- Breakfast Club is held in the Dining Room until 8:45 when the children will be sent to class to start the school day. You will need to book in advance. Each child must be booked separately. Access is via the Box Tree Close entrance, open from 7:40 – 8:05am
- This club costs £4 per session with a nutritious breakfast provided. £3 for each additional sibling. Children who are in receipt of Pupil Premium can access this club for free.
- After their breakfast, children may join another table where activities are laid out or choose to play or chat with friends. Activities may include construction toys, board games, drawing materials, reading, completing homework or simply chatting quietly to friends.





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Wraparound care- Premier (After school)

Premier Education

Premier Education are providing after school care every day the school is open - we will also have a variety of sports clubs to choose from each afternoon. These activities will vary between year groups and topics will change every half term. Our aim is to deliver a top quality, Ofsted-registered provision, with a range of stimulating activities in a safe, secure, and fun environment, providing an outstanding service for busy parents.

Our staff will adapt each day based on children's needs or the weather, but timings and structure of the days will be consistent. Activities will be designed to fit in with the school's termly theme and include arts & crafts, baking, sports, Lego, games, quiet reading, and general free play.

Times and costs:

Sports Clubs

3:15pm – 4:15pm = £8.50 per session (will require a half termly booking)

Play Active Club

3:15pm – 6:00pm = £13.00 a session

3:15pm – 4:15pm = £8.50 a session

4:15pm – 6:00pm = £8.50 a session (suitable for children attending an extra curricular club)

Contact details:

Venue Phone: 07874940212

General enquiries: Martyn

Email: office-11@premier-education.com

Phone: 01296 620 097



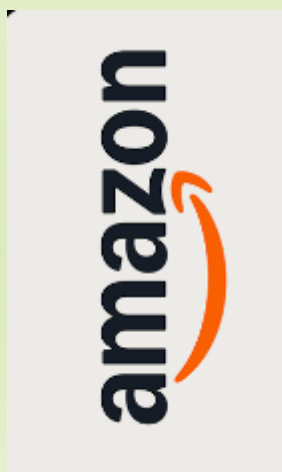


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Amazon class wish lists

Like many schools across the country, we are experiencing increasing demands on our budget while receiving less financial support. This means that purchasing additional resources and equipment for classrooms is becoming increasingly challenging. We are always committed to providing the best possible learning environment for our children, and we greatly appreciate the support of our school community.

- From September, each year group will have an Amazon Wish List containing resources and equipment that will be used directly by the children throughout the academic year.
- Families who would like to support their child's class will be able to purchase items from the wish list. There is absolutely no obligation to do so, and any support, no matter how small, will be greatly appreciated.
- All purchased items will be sent directly to the school. When placing an order, please include the class name in the delivery information and use the school's address for delivery.
- The resources requested will be carefully selected to enhance learning experiences and support the curriculum for the children in each year group.
- Thank you for your continued support and generosity. It makes a real difference to the opportunities and experiences we can provide for our pupils.





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Key points and last words

- Teach your children time on digital and analogue clocks.
- PE days are Monday and Tuesday (come in PE kit).
- Try to read with your children as much as possible and encourage conversation.
- Ties and uniform – refusal = put ties in bags.
- Top ups on pencil cases.
- Dojo me anything at any time, even the good things! They are to be celebrated.
- Homework – reading, times tables rock stars, spelling.
- Coats are now needed even if it's light coats.

