



Pudsey Waterloo
Primary School

Friday 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we get closer to the end of term, we are very busy in school with our preparations for the end of term and rehearsing our productions but there has also been lots more happening in school over the last few weeks.

Waterloo Elements

This half term our Elements theme is **'We are all artists'** where we really try to celebrate arts and music with the children. There have been more events linked to this theme recently:

Waterloo at the Leeds Playhouse

Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 had a great time at the Leeds Playhouse last week, when they went to see *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*. The production was amazing and so, as always, was the behaviour of our children. I was very proud to receive emails from staff at the Playhouse and from members of the public who attended the show, who wanted to let us know how well-behaved they were. We were so proud of them. Thanks to all the volunteers who gave up their time to accompany us.

Northern Arts Factory

Yesterday, we had Northern Arts Factory in school delivering workshops to the children from Reception to year 4. The children experienced different activities which included drama games, dancing and singing. Northern Arts Factory are starting a musical theatre class here at Pudsey Waterloo on Monday evenings 4:15 - 6:15 from January. For more information please see the flyer below.



Reception

Reception have been very busy the past couple of weeks writing our letters to Santa and then walking to the post box to post them. We hope Santa has received them! We have also been learning about the Christmas story and getting ready for our nativity performances. In Reception, we also have some cheeky visitors who are causing a little bit of mischief! Your child will be able to explain!

Year One

Year One have been very busy on different school trips and visits this term. Some of the children were lucky enough to visit Pudsey Post Office, linking with our English text 'The Jolly Postman'. Year one even received a special visit from the Jolly Postman himself and posted their letters home to their family and friends. The second trip was to Kirkstall Abbey Museum, where Year One got to experience playing with old toys from the past and comparing them to the toys that they have now. The children were so engaged and fascinated with how the old toys worked and it was lovely to see them so interested in our new history topic.

Year Two

Year Two were invited to watch the nativity performance at St George's Crypt last Friday. It was called 'You're Welcome'. The children were fascinated by the props and set and enjoyed listening to all the songs, especially as they were sung to some familiar tunes. Here is what is going on at the church over the festive period - please take a look at their website <https://stgs.org.uk/christmas> . Also, if the children would like to watch the Nativity performance again, they can watch it here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_n6Xre1QRYe2RdhU70kH0g

Year 4 Mosque Trip

Last week, Year Four had a great time visiting Lincoln Green Mosque, in Leeds. We were lucky enough to watch the ritual washing being performed before hearing the call to prayer. We got to watch afternoon prayers taking place and then took part in a treasure hunt to find out about the religion of Islam. We were very proud of the children for being so respectful and representing our school so well.



Year Five

Year Five enjoyed visiting York on Monday to visit the Jorvik museum and DIG. Here we studied Viking battle tactics, how archaeologists work and examined what York would have looked like in Viking times. We even saw one of the world's oldest coprolites - fossilised poo! Thanks to all the parents who accompanied us for your time and all you did to help!



Year Six

This week, Year Six re-lived their residential trip to Robinwood with a wonderful assembly for their families. They wrote the scripts themselves and put together a performance to be proud of. As part of our oracy curriculum, they focused on projecting their voices so that even the parents at the very back could hear them. If you would like to see the video of their trip, it is on our school Youtube channel. You can access on the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MB1S_f0UjMA&list=PLyMU1BbhFEZz2NA_AF9DcvKMN96hDbW46&index=53

Chess Club

Some of our chess club were lucky enough to be invited to play chess against Rachel Reeves, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, last week! The children showed off some great skills and strategy and there were some very tight games, including one game where one of our Y6 children nearly had her in checkmate! We were really proud of how the children represented our school. You can read more about it in the article below.

<https://westleedsdispatch.com/rachel-reeves-mp-takes-on-budding-chess-masters-from-three-schools/>

Friends of Waterloo - Please see attached FOW Newsletter for more information around our upcoming Christmas events!



Science Week 2025

We are thinking ahead to our science week for 2025 and we are looking for parents/carers who have got a background in science or their job that links to STEM (Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). If this is you, we would love you to come in and speak to the children about your job, what it entails and how it links to science. Please email info@waterloo.owlcotesmat.org and we will get back to you.

Many thanks

Miss Bowes and Miss Walker

Truman Books

Pudsey Waterloo have a points scheme set up with Truman Books in Farsley. This means that if you buy a book from them and quote our school, we automatically acquire points. The points can then be used to get discounts on books for school or even some free children's books for our library!



Key School Dates

Friends of Waterloo - Breakfast with Santa	Saturday 7th December
KS2 Performance at Pudsey Parish Church	Thursday 12th at 1:45pm
KS2 Performance at Pudsey Parish Church	Friday 13th at 9:45am
Y1 Nativity Performance	Monday 16th December 9:30 - 10:30 am
Y2 Nativity Performance	Monday 16th December 2 - 3 pm
Y2 Nativity Performance	Tuesday 17th December 9:30 - 10:30 am
Reception Nativity Performance	Tuesday 17th December 2 - 3 pm
Reception Nativity Performance	Wednesday 18th December 9:30 - 10:30 am
Y1 Nativity Performance	Wednesday 18th December 2 - 3 pm
Break up for Christmas Holiday	Friday 20th December
First Day Back at School	Tuesday 7th of January
4KL Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 26th February
3PW Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 26th March
5RH Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 2nd April
4SM Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 30th April
5RM Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 21st of May
1JB Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 7th May
1SW Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 4th June
3CR Class Assembly	9am on Wednesday 11th June

Social Media Accounts

Remember to subscribe to the Pudsey Waterloo Twitter feed and Instagram account to get more regular updates on everything happening in school.

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<https://www.instagram.com/pudseywaterloo/>



Wobble and Toddle

Our Wobble and Toddle sessions take place every Monday every Monday morning 9am - 11am in the hall. If you fancy joining us for a play, toast and tea please turn up at the office. These sessions cost £2 per family. The session on the 9th December is a Christmas themed session and our last one of this term. We hope to see you all there!

Learners of the week

The following children have received a good worker award. Well done to...

	Friday 29th November	Friday 6th December
Nursery	Hendrix Whitaker Zak Smith	Saden Sadona Henry Graham
Reception	RJO - Sienna Smith RBM - Oluwasounla Komolafe	RJO - Leonie Fearnley RBM - Ezra Fahy
Year 1	1SW - Theo Day 1JB - Isabelle Farnham-Crossland	1SW - Zara Watto 1JB - Rory Burke
Year 2	2NB - Yuvraj Singh 2BD - Jack Unsworth	2NB - Ellie Taylor 2BD - Isabella Guidicelli
Year 3	3CR - Austin Chapman 3PW - Jude Urwin	3CR - Alexis Tolios 3PW - Alex Crow
Year 4	4SM - Scarlett Chappell 4KL - Evelyn Ricketts	4SM - Cameron Khan 4KL - Theo Jepson
Year 5	5RH - Emily Human 5RM - Isla Smith	5RH - Austin McConnell 5RM - Elise Uttley
Year 6	6SW - Amelia Jones 6NW - Abdullah Azhar	6SW - Olimar Francis 6NW - Skyy Barnes

Important Reminder to all parents;

Please **DO NOT** send any products containing nuts into school, either in your child's lunch box or as a breaktime snack. This includes any **chocolate flavoured foods which contain nuts**. We have a number of children in school who have severe allergies. Thank you for your help with this.

School Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is: 95.6%

Training Days for This Academic Year

- Monday 6th January
- Monday 21st July
- Tuesday 22nd July

Holiday Requests in Term Time

All holiday requests must be submitted to Mr White prior to going away on an **'Exceptional Circumstances Request Form'** which can be collected from the school office or printed from Leeds City Council's website. Leave of absence will not be granted in term time unless there are reasons considered to be exceptional by the Headteacher. Across Owlcoates Trust we interpret exceptional to mean "very unusual, significant, unavoidable and short". By 'unavoidable' we mean an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time.

Absences

If your child is absent then you need to call school before 9am, if possible, and inform us of the reason for their absence so we can code the absence on our registers. Any un-reported absences are recorded as unauthorised so please make sure you keep us informed.

If your child has a medical appointment, please notify the office beforehand. If possible, bring in a letter or text so we can code the absence correctly.

If you need your child to take time off during term time then you need to fill out an Exceptional Leave form which you can collect and return to the office before you take them out of school. This will be submitted to the Head Teacher.

Please note that the structure of fines for school absences has changed and came into effect in Leeds at the beginning of term. See the table below for more details.

New National Penalty Notice Framework (unauthorised school absence)



The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines from 19th August 2024 across the whole of England

- **Schools MUST consider a penalty notice for 10 unauthorised sessions (usually 5 school days) within a rolling 10 school week period of time (these sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of any unauthorised absences and can span different terms and school years).**
- **Penalty Notices are issued per parent, per child (For example, if there are 3 children in a family, each parent may receive 3 separate penalty notices).**

National Penalty Notice Framework (offences in a three year rolling period)

First Offence	Second Offence	Third Offence (or any further offences within 3 years)
The first penalty notice will be issued at £160 per parent if paid within 28 days (this will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days)	The second penalty notice will be issued at £160 per parent if paid within 28 days (this will not be reduced)	A penalty notice will not be issued, and the case will be considered for potential legal action. This can result in a criminal record and fines of up to £1,000 plus costs.

School dinners

If you would like your child to swap between school meals and packed lunches then **we no longer require you to give us two weeks notice before changing.** However, please be mindful the kitchen will need to order food resources in advance. It is important every child who has a school dinner also has an account with School Grid so you can choose your child's lunches and make payments. If your child has any allergies then please also provide details of this on your child's account.

School Uniform

All school PE kits can be purchased through the company 'Sports Bulk'. Their contact details are: phone 01274 724455 or www.sportsbulk.co.uk with other school uniform from Whittakers Schoolwear shop based on Farsley Town Street.



The poster is a two-page spread with a vibrant, abstract background of overlapping circles in purple, yellow, blue, and pink. The left page features a photograph of a group of diverse children smiling and clapping. The right page includes several circular inset photos: one of children sitting on the floor in a circle, another of a child with a red puppet, and a third of children clapping. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with various font weights and colors (pink, white, black) to highlight key information.

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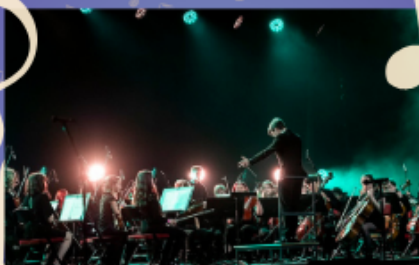
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Our parent coffee morning sessions are for parents and carers of children who display traits associated with, or have a diagnosis of, a neurodevelopmental condition including: autism, sensory processing, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), or Foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD). A diagnosis is not needed.

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Autism Central is a free programme commissioned by the NHS which provides high quality and accessible autism information, education and coaching for families and carers.

Daisy Chain is the charity delivering this service in the North East and Yorkshire.

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Upcoming Sessions:

Wednesday 11th September 10.30am-12.30pm

Wednesday 9th October 10.30am-12.30pm

Thursday 14th November 10.30am-12.30pm

Thursday 12th December 10.30am-12.30pm

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