



Pudsey Waterloo
Primary School

Friday 10th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wanted to start by saying Happy New Year and welcome back to all of our families. The weather has brought a fair amount of challenges to the start of term but I am really proud of how the staff have worked together to make the school site safe and to make their own childcare and travel arrangements so we can open the school this week. Thank you for all the positive feedback we have received - the staff have really appreciated it. I also want to thank all of you for your efforts in getting your children here in these terrible travel conditions. It meant that our children were able to start the term with as little disruption as possible and there has already been some great learning taking place in school.

New Website

You may have noticed our website has been redesigned and we are really pleased with the results. This was done to make the site easier for people to access on tablets and mobile devices.

<https://www.pudseywaterloo.co.uk/>

Please take a look at the Calendar section in News and Events to see the key upcoming school events.

Facebook and Instagram Page

The school will no longer update parents through Twitter/X. We will continue to use Instagram and we have set up a Facebook page to share news about some of the great things that happen in school. Both Facebook and Instagram link to our website so you can see the latest updates on the Pudsey Waterloo home page.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1USopwThr8/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

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



Nursery

We read the story of 'The Snow Thief' this week. We brought the snow inside and realised that it melted quite quickly in our water tray. The children have also made some super snowman pictures using fluffy paint!

Year 1

This week we have introduced our new art unit and started to look at the artist Orla Kiely. We have looked at different patterns from the environments and explored how Orla uses it within her designs. The children have then explored recreating these patterns and making some of their own. Well done Year 1.

Year 2

Year 2 have been really enjoying their English lessons this week as they have started reading 'The Disgusting Sandwich'. They have found the journey the sandwich takes to be revolting and they have said that they would not touch the sandwich either! We look forward to seeing what they do with the story in the coming weeks.

Year 3

Year 3 have been really enjoying their English and reading lessons this week. We are learning the poem 'The Dragon Who Ate Our School'. The children have loved performing it aloud and have been able to talk about the poet's use of rhyme and repetition. We have also started a new class novel, Planet Omar. The children love the illustrations and we're looking forward to finding out what happens to Omar next!

Year 4

This week, Year 4 have had a fascinating time completing their practical work in DT. We had some problems on the way, but really worked together as a team to solve them. Working across the science and DT curriculum, we were able to produce a handheld fan that you could use to cool you down in hot weather. How ironic!

Year 5

Year 5 have studied air resistance as part of their study of forces in Science. To investigate this, we created parachutes and timed how long they took to fall to the ground. We found that the larger the parachute, the more resistance and the longer they took to fall.



Friends of Waterloo

Thank you to everyone who came along to breakfast with Santa. The event was a great success with lots of positive feedback from those who attended. We hope to run this event again in the future.

We have great plans for this year and hope to run some more in school events for parents/carers to attend and celebrate with their children.

Friday 28th March - Mothers day celebrations

Friday 13th June - Fathers day celebrations



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 has 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

Literature Week Showcase for parents	2:30pm - 5:30pm Thursday 27th February
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
2NB Class assembly	9am on Wednesday 18th June
2BD class assembly	9am Wednesday 9th July

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 13th December	Friday 20th December	Friday 10th of January
Nursery	Elis Hawke	Ivy Bartlam	Theo Benton Arlo Darby
Reception	RJO - Frankie Grimes RBM - Ivy Maughn		RJO - Jax Pearson RBM - Hugh Darby
Year 1	1SW - Matthew Finlay 1JB -	1SW - Aurora D'Abundo 1JB - Mabel Costello	1SW - George Morgan 1JB - Albie Spencer

Year 2	2NB - Harris Hebbard 2BD - Ava Uttley	2NB - Faith McNair 2BD - Carly-May Dickinson	2NB - Noah Rowling 2BD - Harley Long
Year 3	3CR - Duffy Bateson 3PW - Oliver Simpson	3CR - Aidan Human 3PW - Charlie Campbell	3CR - Qasim Mohammed 3PW - Archie Martin
Year 4	4SM - Clark Smith 4KL - Alfie Taylor	4SM - Caleb Lambert 4KL - Esther Brook	4SM - Heidi Steel 4KL - Alexia Tincescu-Lungu
Year 5	5RH - Nancy Smith 5RM - Ava Sher	5RH - Ben Major 5RM - Archie Brennan	5RH - Lilly-Mai Woodhead 5RM - Hannah Barnes
Year 6	6SW - Evan Holmes 6NW - Darcie Long	6SW - Indie Oldroyd 6NW - Reuben Manchester	6SW - Joseph Mullan 6NW - Robbie Jolley

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 21st July
- Tuesday 22rd 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 Owlcotes 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.



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Manager: Phil Lake on 07710421331
Available on Phone/Message/Whatsapp



DAISY CHAIN
Autism & Neurodiversity

Parent Carer Support Coffee Mornings Leeds Library

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.

These free drop-in sessions will provide a safe space for parents and carers to meet others in a similar situation and provide the opportunity for peer support, enabling parents to support each other, share experiences and ideas. These groups are facilitated by a member of the Autism Central team. The aim is to provide a supportive and empowering environment for our parents and carers.

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.

As well as group and individual coaching and support, we provide regular online and in-person learning opportunities and support sessions covering a variety of topics relating to autism.

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



Leeds Central Library, 3rd Floor, Sanderson Room, Municipal Buildings, Calverley Street, Leeds, LS13AB

<https://daisychainproject.co.uk/ac-coffee-mornings-leeds/>

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