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Friday 17th September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers.

Our First Full Week of Term

We are extremely proud of the way in which our pupils have settled back into the rhythm of school. It was wonderful this week to be able to hold assemblies 'in person' and for the school to come together collectively.

Class emails

A further polite reminder to parents and carers to use the class email addresses below to make initial contact with teaching staff, who will get back to you at their earliest convenience. The school office can be contacted via the school telephone number should there be any urgent enquiries.

Mrs Sawyer	NCPAducklings@watertonacademytrust.org				
Mrs Wray	NCPArobins@watertonacademytrust.org				
Mrs Smith					
Mrs Brunyee					
Mrs Douglas	NCPAhepworth@watertonacademytrust.org				
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Mrs Mackenzie	NCPAwaterton@watertonacademytrust.org				
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Miss Bonner	NCPAbrownlee@watertonacademytrust.org				
Miss Cookman	NCPAadams@watertonacademytrust.org				
Mrs Parkinson					
Miss Rawes	NCPAbronte@watertonacademytrust.org				
Mr Saville	NCPAcook@watertonacademytrust.org				
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Pupil Asset / Parentmail

As you may be aware, we will be moving away from using Parentmail as our system of communication to parents and carers. Each school within Waterton Academy Trust will be moving to a communication system called Pupil Asset.

As a school, we have opted to roll out the payment function of the app to parents / carers of those attending breakfast club and to those within Adams class (whom will be attending a school trip at the end of September). Brownlee and Tomlinson classes will receive a supporting document along with their trip letter next week which should assist in installing and navigating the app. We shall then work to onboard each family within our school community.



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We appreciate that some parents and carers may have experienced frustrations at initial set up of access to Pupil Asset and we apologise for any inconvenience. Please be assured that we pride ourselves on working to resolve any issues raised and we would ask that you contact the school office in the first instance should you require any support.

School Lunch Menu

We have received communication from our caterers that they are currently experiencing issues sourcing certain products and ingredients. In schools, the majority of product lines affected so far include tinned fruit, frozen fruit, frozen vegetables (peas, green beans, etc.) and bread products. There may therefore on occasion be amendments made to the advertised menu.

Year 6 - Applying for a Secondary School Place

For the school year starting in September 2022, the Closing Date for applications for Year 7 places is 31st October 2021. The online application system opened on 1st September 2021.

Nasal Flu Immunisation (Reception to Year 6)

Consent forms have been sent home with pupils this afternoon for parents/carers to complete for their annual nasal flu immunisation which will take place on Tuesday 7th December 2021.

Please could you *fully* complete the form and write your child's name on the front of the envelope, <u>even</u> if you do not give consent for your child to have the immunisation (as your preference will then be recorded on your child's NHS record).

Forms must be returned no later than Wednesday 22ndSeptember 2021.

Upcoming Events

School Photos

Tempest Photography will be attending school on **Tuesday 21st September 2021** to take individual pupil photographs. We are unfortunately unable to offer family or sibling photographs on this occasion.

School Book Fair

Following the success of previous events, we will once again be hosting a school book fair in the hall from 3.15pm until 3.45pm. This will take place on **Monday 27**th **September and Tuesday 28**th **September 2021.**



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School Trip - Year 3/4

As part of this term's topic work, Tomlinson, Brownlee and Adams class will be visiting Bagshaw Museum, Batley on the dates shown below. Letters for Brownlee and Tomlinson classes will be sent out to parents shortly. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £16.00 towards this visit. We require returned permission slips in order for children to be able to participate in the visit.

Monday 27th September - Adams Class Friday 15th October – Brownlee Class Friday 22nd October – Tomlinson Class

After School Clubs

We are pleased to advise that after school clubs will recommence week commencing **27**th **September 2021.** Please look out for further information.

Before and after school

Can I please ask that children are supervised on the playground before and after school – we have had a broken rain gauge on the wildlife area.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to those parents and carers who were able to attend our meet the teacher sessions which were held this week. We hope you found the session informative. It was a pleasure to be able to welcome parents and carers into school once more and for the children to be able to proudly showcase our learning environments.

Our Attendance Target 96.5%

Congratulations to Sharman and Brownlee classes for achieving the highest attendance figures this week.

Reception & Key Stage 1			Key Stage 2		
	Attendance	Lates		Attendance	Lates
Reception Robins	95.10%	1	Tomlinson Class (Y3)	96.21%	2
Hepworth Class (Y1)	93.53%		Brownlee Class (Y3/4)	99%	1
Waterton Class (Y1/2)	98.24%	3	Adams Class (Y4)	94.83%	
Sharman Class (Y2)	98.67%	5	Bronte Class (Y5)	94.62%	
			Cook Class (Y5/6)	97.14%	1
			Hockney Class (Y6)	96.67%	

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr A Riby Safeguarding Governor: Mrs P Forbes Deputy DSL: Miss S Gordon, Mrs S Conway, Miss H Ho

If you are worried a child is at risk of harm, please contact one of the above or **Social Care Direct on 0345 8503503**Copies of the Safeguarding Policy can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website.



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School attendance for the week is 96.38%, which is just below our school attendance target. 271 children also achieved 100% attendance this week.

Please report any absences by leaving a message on 01924 890 576 (option 1) before 9am or alternatively email NCPAattendance@watertonacademytrust.org

Yours sincerely,

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A Riby - Head of School