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Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the fourth week of the autumn term comes to an end we are beginning to see signs of autumn appearing. The weather this week has been 'changeable' to say the least. With colder weather approaching please could we ask that your child wears a suitably warm coat to school. Please ensure all coats are named so we can easily return any stray items to their owner if lost!

### **Visitors to the School Office**

As you are aware, due to an increase in the number of positive Covid-19 cases in our school community we have regrettably taken the decision to postpone certain events / activities. With a view to maintaining the safety of all we would ask that wherever possible parent / carer enquiries be made by telephone or email as opposed to a face to face visit to the school office. We thank you for your understanding.

### **School Trip – Adams Class**

Adams Class were the first of our 3 classes to visit Bagshaw Museum, Batley as part of this term's topic work. Pupils (and staff) had a great time. Thank you to Miss Bonner and the staff team for supporting the visit and to parents and carers for your voluntary contributions which allowed the trip to go ahead.

### **Absences / School Lunches (Year 3 to Year 6)**

Please could we ask that where possible, should your child be absent from school that any pre-ordered lunches be cancelled to avoid charges being made to your Feeding Hungry Minds account.

### **Pupil Asset**

We hope that following a few weeks of navigating Pupil Asset that any initial challenges experienced by parents and carers have now been resolved.

Those who hold parental responsibility for pupils (Nursery>Year 6) whom had not yet registered for the service should have received an e-mail password reset instigated by the school office last week.

We continue to work with the support of Waterton Academy Trust to review, troubleshoot and remedy where possible key issues identified with the Pupil Asset development staff. Our office team will continue to work to onboard each family within our school community to the new system. We thank you all once again for your patience and would ask that you please contact the school office in the first instance should you require any further support with Pupil Asset.

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Deputy DSL: Miss S Gordon, Mrs S Conway, Miss H Ho

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## School parking

Can I once again request that you are considerate when dropping off and collecting – we get a lot of complaints from local residents (understandably) about inconsiderate parking around the school site. Please ensure you walk wherever possible, don't park on the zebra crossing or the yellow box junction and do not block resident access.

## Morrisons 'It's Good To Grow'

A reminder that for every £10 spent in store or online at Morrisons, you will receive one Grow Token that we can then redeem for a wide range of gardening and growing equipment. Further information can be found on the following link: <https://www.itsgoodtogrow.co.uk/>

## Upcoming Events

### School Trip – Year 3/4

Tomlinson and Brownlee class will be visiting Bagshaw Museum, Batley on 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 respectively. 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.

### School Trip – Sharman Class

Sharman class will be visiting The National Coal Mining Museum for England, Wakefield on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021**. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £16.00 towards this visit which can be paid using Pupil Asset. Letters were sent out this week relating to the visit.

## Half Term

School closes to pupils for half term on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021** and reopens on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021**.

## Nasal Flu Immunisations

Our nasal flu immunisations will be administered to pupils on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021**. We have a very small number of outstanding flu consent forms yet to be returned to school, please could these be returned as soon as possible so that they can be passed onto the School Nursing Team.

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## Our Attendance Target 96.5%

Congratulations to Waterton and Adams classes for achieving the highest attendance figures this week.

| Reception & Key Stage 1 |            |       | Key Stage 2           |            |       |
|-------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------------|------------|-------|
|                         | Attendance | Lates |                       | Attendance | Lates |
| Reception Robins        | 92.42%     | 2     | Tomlinson Class (Y3)  | 89.55%     | 1     |
| Hepworth Class (Y1)     | 92.86%     |       | Brownlee Class (Y3/4) | 95.83%     |       |
| Waterton Class (Y1/2)   | 95.80%     | 2     | Adams Class (Y4)      | 97.59%     | 2     |
| Sharman Class (Y2)      | 95.33%     | 2     | Bronte Class (Y5)     | 91.27%     |       |
|                         |            |       | Cook Class (Y5/6)     | 92.81%     | 2     |
|                         |            |       | Hockney Class (Y6)    | 90.91%     |       |

School attendance for the week is 93.43%, which is below our attendance target. 221 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](mailto:NCPAattendance@watertonacademytrust.org)

Yours sincerely,

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