



School Newsletter

Autumn 2 2018

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that everyone enjoyed the half term school holidays. Last half term all the children worked hard and had lots of fun with the different events and activities in school. We are very proud of all their achievements. Parent's Evening is on 15th November and we hope that you will be able to come along and talk to the teacher about your child's progress and targets for this year.

We are quickly coming up to Christmas and this is an exciting time in school. We have lots of events planned and we look forward to seeing you in school for our celebrations and performances. Christmas is always an exciting time for our children (and staff!) and we aim to give them lots of lovely experiences and memories for their future.

Our Newsletter will be sent out half termly and a weekly update emailed to families with diary events and important updates. Please also regularly visit our website at www.waterthorpeinfantschool.co.uk to find out about events in school. The 'News Update' tab is changed weekly.

Your comments, as always, are welcomed and we would be happy to see you at any time if you want to catch us in the playground or call in at the office to make an appointment. If you do have any concerns or worries please have a word with your child's teacher as we know that they will do their best to help and to put your mind at rest. Helen Stokes and Shelly Appleby

Senior leadership team



Mrs Helen Stokes
Headteacher



Mrs Caryn Moffatt
Foundation Stage
Leader



Mrs Shelly Appleby
Key Stage 1 Leader &
Headteacher on
Wednesdays



Mrs Michelle Taylor
Special Needs
Co-ordinator

This is the School version of the Autumn 1 2018 Newsletter.

F2: Red Base Y1: Blue Base Y2: Yellow and Green Base

To help you in seeing which items you may need to take action on a list is below:

Actions:

- Please visit <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> to see if you are eligible, and to apply for, Income base free school meals and milk up to 2022
- Please pay £14 via sQuid for the Pantomime trip, and return form by 25th October
- Please look at our School Improvement Booklet for families on our website
- <http://www.watertorpeinfantschool.co.uk/school-improvement-plan/>
- Please support your child's progress in reading by sharing books and helping them practise their reading at home for a few minutes each day
- Please ensure that children arrive on time each day
- Please contact school if your child is going to be absent or late
- Please join us on 13th November for the SEAL Family workshop and return the SEAL workshop
- Please join us for our family of Schools Christmas Concert on 13th December at 6p.m. (Crystal Peaks Bonmarche entrance)
- Please ensure you have returned your bike skills form
- Please make an appointment for parents evening
- Please come to the Toys workshop on Thursday 15th November
- Please encourage your child to collect money for Children in Need. Please return this to school on 16th November
- Please join us for our Year Group Assemblies/Performances on the following dates:
 - Blue Base (Mrs Taylor/Mrs Appleby) Thursday 22nd November
 - Yellow Base Thursday 29th November 9:15a.m.
 - Red Base Thursday 13th December 10a.m.
 - Please join us for Blue, Yellow and Green base Nativities on 18th December 2p.m. or 19th December 10a.m. in Emmanuel Church (no younger children, at either performance, please ~ creche on 20th ~ please fill in booking form)
 - Please join us for the Children in Need sharing assembly at 2:40p.m. on 16th November.
- Please bring your child to school for 8.30a.m. on 5th December for the pantomime trip
- Please send children in party clothes with party food on 20th December
- Please let your child's teacher know if you will be coming to help with the party
- If your child has a food intolerance and/or special diet, please contact the office to make arrangements for their food on party day
- Please do not send precious or valuable toys for 'toy day' on 21st December
- Please send chocolate gifts for our Christmas raffle, to your child's classroom
- Post christmas cards in the postbox in main entrance areas ~ mark with name, class/base colour
- Please send your child with a bag to take their things home in at the end of term
- For children in Blue, Green and Yellow Base: Please apply for After-School Clubs (January to March)

Items for action



School Improvement Priorities 2018/2019

We continually review the work that we do and evaluate what we are doing well and where we need to improve. Our full School Improvement Plan gives detail on all the areas that we are working on each year. This is available on our website. We have also produced a booklet for families which gives a summary of our plans. This is also available on our website and has been sent out via Parentmail.

Reading and Phonics are our key priorities for improvement and we need your help to work on these. The practise that children get at home makes so much difference to their progress, particularly in reading. Sharing books and listening to stories also helps to develop a lifelong love of reading.

Please look at our [School Improvement Booklet for families](#)

<http://www.watertorpeinfantschool.co.uk/school-improvement-plan/>

Please support your child's progress in reading by sharing books and helping them practise their reading at home for a few minutes each day

Children in Need Charity day 16th November



The theme of this day is to be Spotaacular! All children will be running a mile to raise money for Children in Need. We will have an assembly at the beginning of the day just for the children.

Families are invited to join us at 2:40p.m. to see some of the things we have been doing and to watch the children post their donations in the 'Children in Need Box'.

This will be a non-uniform day. Children may wear Children in Need t-shirts, colourful or spotty clothes and may wish to paint their hands or faces with spots for the day.

All children will be running a mile, as part of the event, during the school day and enjoying lots of spotty activities.

Please encourage your child to collect money for Children in Need and

Please return this to school on 16th November.

Please join us for the Children in Need sharing assembly at 2:40p.m. on 16th November.

Parent's Evening 15th November

Please make an appointment to see your child's teacher on 15th November. The teachers would love to share the wonderful work and achievements your child has made so far this year. It is also a good opportunity to ask any questions or find out how you can support your child at home.



Please make an appointment for parents evening by signing up against a time on the sheet displayed in your child's classroom

Pantomime Dick Whittington Wednesday 5th December

This is a trip for school only (not nursery).

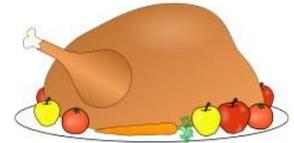


On Wednesday 5th December we will be visiting Rotherham Civic Theatre to watch the pantomime: Dick Whittington. All the children and staff in school will be going on this trip. Children will have dinner on their return to school. A snack will be provided at theatre.

Please ensure you have returned your pantomime slip to the school office and paid £14.00 on sQuid
Please bring children to school at 8:30a.m. on 5th December.

Christmas Dinner Wednesday 12th December

Christmas dinner day will be on 12th December. This will be a traditional turkey dinner with a muffin for dessert. There will be no jacket potatoes on this day. If your child will be bringing sandwiches, or wants to order a school sandwich, please complete the slip at the end of this newsletter and return it to the office by Friday 30th November. This pre-ordering is to help the kitchens with ordering the correct amount of food. We will order a Christmas dinner for anyone who does not return the slip. If your child is planning to bring sandwiches on the day it is important that the school knows as we will have to pay for all meals that we have ordered in advance.



Children may wear Christmas jumpers/tops on 12th December if they wish.

- Please return the slip to order a school sandwich or to let us know that your child will be bringing sandwiches on Christmas dinner day (12th December) by 30th November.
- Please note that there will be no jacket potatoes on 12th December.
- Christmas jumpers/tops may be worn on 12th December

Photos and videos of Christmas performances:

Many parents/carers like to take photos and video of the Christmas events/performances. Please let us know if you have any reason for your child not to be included on photos and videos as we will need to ask visitors to limit their photography and/or make special arrangements for your child.



It is important that any photos/video taken are for personal and private use only. In order to follow 2018 Data Protection Act and to keep all children safe please follow this simple rule:

NEVER publish photos/video of other children on social networking sites e.g. Facebook without the permission of their parents ~ if any are reported to school we will have to ask you to remove them. (School may post pictures or film clips as we have a list of children where parents have signed permission as part of the admissions process.)

Please let us know if your child cannot have photos or video taken during the Nativity performances. Please do not put any pictures of children on social networking sites etc. without the express permission of their parents

Christmas Chocolate Raffle

We are having a Chocolate Christmas Raffle to raise funds for the school. The draw will be held on Thursday 20th December.

We would like each child to bring in a chocolate item which will then be used to make chocolate hampers for the raffle. Each class will put together their own chocolate hamper. There is no restriction on the size of the chocolate donation or how many items each child brings. The more creative the better, anything chocolate!

Please bring your donation to your child's classroom by Wednesday 19th December. A sheet of raffle tickets is attached to this letter. Tickets are priced at 25p each.



Please send chocolate gifts for our Christmas raffle, to your child's classroom

Christmas Post

From 3rd December we will have a Christmas post box in the office area and in Nursery. Children may post Christmas cards for their friends in these boxes. Please ensure that all cards are clearly marked with children's names, their class, and have a coloured 'mark' on them so that our 'Christmas post children' can sort them into which class they need to go to. For example: Molly P Y1B



Post Christmas cards in the postbox in main entrance areas ~ mark with name, class/base colour

Children with Allergies or food intolerances:

We have a number of children in school who have intolerances to certain foods. We would like to provide them with their party food plated up to ensure that they only eat the food that they are not intolerant to. If your child has a food intolerance please contact the school office to let us know whether you would like to come into school on party day to plate up their food, if you would like us to plate up their food or, if you would like them to bring their own plate of party food.



If your child has a food intolerance and/or special diet, please contact the office to make arrangements for their food on party day

After-School Clubs

There is no dance club on 15th November when it is Parent's Evening.

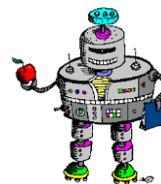
During the week beginning 17th December there will no after-school clubs apart from Kids Club.

Clubs in the spring term start on January 14th. A letter to apply for Spring term clubs is attached. Please note that these clubs are for children in Blue, Yellow and Green Bases. Clubs will be open to Red Base from April 2018.

For children in Blue, Green and Yellow Base: Please apply for After-School Clubs (January to March)

Last day of term:

Children in school may bring toys and games on Friday 21st December but please make sure that items are marked with their name and are not of any great value as things do sometimes get lost or broken and we don't want anyone upset on their last day. Please can your child also bring a carrier bag to school in the last week to take home their Christmas things. If your child is absent at the end of term please try and pop into school to collect their Christmas things or arrange for another parent to bring them home for you.



Children may wear Christmas jumpers on the last day of term if they wish.

Please do not send precious or valuable toys for 'toy day' on 21st December.
Please send your child with a bag to take their things home in at the end of term



Events you/your child is invited to take part in this half term:

Class Assemblies for parents and families

Each class holds a termly assembly for parents and families. These are in the school hall. They usually last about 20 minutes. At these assemblies, the children share some of the things that they have been learning in school.

Please join us for our Year Group Assemblies/Performances on the following dates:

- Blue Base (Mrs Taylor/Mrs Appleby) Thursday 22nd November
- Yellow Base (Mrs Marriott) Thursday 29th November 9:15a.m.
- Red Base (Miss Baggaley and Mr Timewell/Mrs Moffatt) Thursday 13th December 10a.m

SEAL Family workshop 13th November ~ 9:15a.m. to 10:15a.m.

Getting on and Falling Out theme

Our next SEAL workshop is on Tuesday 21st November, in the school hall between 9:15a.m. and 10a.m. At the workshop you will work with your child on the theme of 'Getting on and Falling Out'. This links with our anti-bullying work. Brothers and sisters from Emmanuel can be brought through to join us for this workshop. This workshop is open to families and children in Foundation 2, Year 1 and Year 2 (Red, Blue, Yellow and Green Base).



Please join us on 13th November for the SEAL Family workshop and return the SEAL workshop reply slip at the end of the newsletter

Feedback from our 'Getting on and Falling Out' workshop in November 17

- ✓ Great workshop, good activities to see the children really think about the answers.
- ✓ We really enjoyed SEAL. The activities are well thought out and interesting.
- ✓ The workshop was really enjoyable and the kids really engaged in all the activities. Thank you.
- ✓ I thought this workshop was really helpful. I liked the children's bean bag game, as I thought it helped the children decide to make the right choice and be kind and helpful with each other.
- ✓ Bringing the children together to think about their feelings was great!
- ✓ Myself and my child loved, and really enjoyed the SEAL workshop and are looking forward to next time. Thank you.
- ✓ I really enjoyed the workshop. It made children think about impact of actions on others. V. good, thanks.
- ✓ I really enjoyed the question game in the Getting On and Falling Out workshop.
- ✓ Really enjoyed the workshop - best one yet!
- ✓ Good to do activities with the children and get them involved.
- ✓ Really enjoyed being able to take part in an activity with my child within school. Also great activity planned getting the children to think about their answers in a group.
- ✓ Enjoyed spending time talking about family and friends and how important they are to us. Another fantastic SEAL workshop. Thank you.
- ✓ I really enjoyed the activity sheet because it was fun.

Toys Family Workshop 15th November 9:15a.m.

Our Key Stage One topic this term is about toys. Please join us for our 'Toys' Family Workshop on Thursday 15th November at 9:15a.m. in the school hall. This workshop is for families of children in school (Blue, Yellow and Green bases). Your children will be brought to join the workshop with you. Younger, pre-school, sisters and brothers are welcome to come along and join in too.



At the workshop you will be able to take part in some fun activities around the topic theme of Toys. You will learn how to help your child with their Design & Technology.

The workshop will last for approximately 1 hour.

Please return the attached slip to let us know that you will be attending the Toys workshop on Thursday 15th November.

Bike Skills workshops for children 15th November

On 15th November we have arranged a Cycle Skills day. Letters have gone out for children in Key Stage One (Blue, Yellow and Green bases) to sign up for these events. Please note that places are limited. Slips have been sent out, to all children who have already applied, to let them know if they have a place. If you have not had a response, please check at the office.



Please ensure you have returned your bike skills form to the school office

Red Base Christmas Nativity Assembly for parents Thursday 13th December 10a.m. in school hall (doors open at 9:45am)

Parents of children in Red Base are invited to join us for a Christmas performance between 10a.m. and 10:30a.m. in the school hall. Doors will open at 9:45a.m. We cannot allow admittance before this time for safeguarding reasons.



Previously we have had a number of parents complaining that babies and younger children made a lot of noise and spoiled the performance. If you do not have any child care for your little ones please take them out if they start to make a noise so that it doesn't spoil the enjoyment of other parents. Thank you.

We will have a small raffle for school funds and a charity collection at the performance.

- **Please join us for Red Base Nativity at 10a.m. on 13th December in school hall**
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Family of Schools Carol Singing at Crystal Peaks 13th December at 6p.m.

We would like to invite families to join us for our annual Family of School's carol concert at Crystal Peaks. Everyone is welcome. Our singing teacher has identified especially enthusiastic and competent singers for us. Ten of these children will be invited to sing at the carol concert and we will send letters to families of these children.



- **Please join us for our family of Schools Christmas Concert on 13th December at 6p.m. (Crystal Peaks Bonmarche entrance)**
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Key Stage One School Nativities in Emmanuel church:

Tuesday 18th December - Blue, Yellow & Green Base Nativity 2p.m. in church (doors open 1:45p.m.)

Wednesday 19th December - Blue, Yellow & Green Base Nativity 10a.m. in church (doors open 9:45a.m.)



Younger children: Please note we do not allow younger children into the Nativity performances as this can result in background noise that prevents the performers from being heard clearly in the church. For many this is the first time they have spoken in a large public performance; the play has a number of speaking parts and the children's voices may not be very loud.

A creche will be run (from 9:45a.m.) for the performance on Wednesday 19th December at 10a.m. If you would like to book a place please complete the slip attached to this newsletter.

We ask families not to enter the playground after the nativities as children will be having a short playtime. Children should not be taken early from classrooms following the afternoon performance.

Following each performance we will have a collection for Charity and will also hold a raffle at each event to help pay for the costs of the performances and costumes.

Please join us for Blue, Yellow and Green base Nativities on 18th December 2p.m. or 19th December 10a.m. in Emmanuel Church (no younger children, at either performance, please ~ creche on 19th ~ please fill in booking form)

School Christmas Parties - Party Day 20th December



Our school Christmas party day is Thursday 20th December. We play party games in the classrooms, have a whole school party 'afternoon tea' in the hall and then Father Christmas comes to visit.

Children can wear party clothes on party day however please make sure that they have a warm coat and shoes suitable for outdoor play.

If you would like to help set up the hall and support the children's parties please meet at the office at 1:10p.m. Please can you let your child's teacher, or the office staff, know if you are coming to help. Thank you.

Please can each child in school bring either buns, biscuits, crisps, savouries etc. for 4 children. Please bring these on the morning of the party (20th December). Children will still have their dinner and then have party food later in the afternoon.

- Please send children in party clothes with party food on 20th December
- Please let your child's teacher know if you will be coming to help with the party

Items for information:

Twitter

We have a school Twitter account. Photos and videos of activities are regularly tweeted. Our 'Twitter handle' is [@waterthorpeNI](#)



If you don't currently have a Twitter Account, you can sign up to one on your phone or tablet through the App store or by visiting [Twitter.com](https://twitter.com). Just follow us to get live feed as photos are added. The Twitter Feed is also on our website so please visit us to see the latest news and photos.

<http://www.waterthorpeinfantschool.co.uk/>

We need your opinion...!



Parent view is one of the ways OFSTED and school collect views about a variety of different aspects of school life. The website you need is:

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

- Even if you have completed Parentview previously please do log your views again for the school year 2018/2019

Travel Plan News

Last half term we participated in the 10-Day Active Travel. We were supported by Paula Edwards, our Modeshift Stars Officer, in running an I-Spy event on our school journey. Paula gave out stickers and prizes to participants. Thank you for everyone for the extra efforts that were made for this event. A Dr Bike session was run and lots of children had their bikes serviced and repaired.



Fantastic news was shared with us; we have been nominated for another regional Modeshift Stars award. Mrs Stokes, Mrs Marriott and two Y1 children from the School Council will be attending the awards event in York on 20th November.

School Council News

New Council Members

We would like to welcome our new School Council Members:

Lily W. and Arthur C. - Y1B

Ava T. and Xander R. - Y1A/T

Trysten B. and Rubyanne H. - Y2W

Arabella W. and Zion M. - Y2M

These children will attend weekly meetings and take on responsibilities for our ECO and Fairtrade work along with other School Council work.



Be Bright be seen

After half term we will be resuming our 'Be Bright Be Seen' shop in the hall on Friday mornings before the birthday and merit assembly. The School Council will take turns to run the shop with the help from a member of staff.



Available to buy are:

Reflectors - £1.80 each

Zip clips - 80p each

Clip on stars/circles - £1.80 each

Stick on Smiles - 50p each

Nasal Vaccination Day in school Wednesday 14th November

All children in school who have returned a consent form will have the nasal vaccination administered in school on 14th November.



Attendance

Good attendance is very important in ensuring children have the best chance of a good education. Where attendance is below 90% the government class this as 'persistent absence' and parents may be liable for fines. Arriving at school on time is just as important, as children miss valuable learning and often feel anxious when they arrive late to school.



We will continue to monitor attendance and punctuality each week and will contact families if we have a concern that attendance may drop below 90% or, if children do not arrive in school on time.

All the children with 100% attendance have their names put into a draw each half term. The winners for Autumn 1 were Isla in Blue Base and Lana in Yellow Base

Please ensure that children arrive on time each day

Please contact school if your child is going to be absent or late

Safeguarding

Ensuring the well-being and safety of children is the responsibility of everyone in school, at home and in the community. There have been many incidents over the years where children have come to harm and neighbours or local people have said that they were concerned but didn't take action or know what to do. To help you if you are concerned about a child there are some numbers below that can be used to report concerns. If you do this please try to provide as much information as possible. Calls may be anonymous.



- Sheffield Safeguarding team: 0114 2734855
- NSPCC: 0808 800 5000 or email help@nspcc.org.uk

Our School Safeguarding leads are Mrs Stokes and Mrs Appleby. If you have any concerns, please arrange to speak to one of these people or your child's classteacher. When school staff have concerns about a child they inform the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Mrs Helen Stokes) or the Deputy (Mrs Shelly Appleby). In most cases a member of staff speaks to the parent about the concern. We may ring the safeguarding team first to ask for advice about this. There are some concerns where we

have to refer to Social Care. Please be aware that this is our professional responsibility and we always put children's well-being first.

When an incident of domestic abuse has taken place in a family we are notified by the safeguarding team at MAST (Multi-Agency Support Team). We may be able to support families who are suffering from domestic abuse and signpost or refer for support. It is also helpful to understand what may be happening in the life of a child outside school so that we can be supportive of any changes in behaviour.

It is really helpful for parents and families to keep the school informed about anything that may have an impact on their children.

All staff recently completed the one-day safeguarding training and they have a good understanding of recognising concerns and how to respond to these. Our website contains information on Safeguarding for parents and families, including our policies and links to useful sites:

<http://www.waterthorpeinfantschool.co.uk/safeguarding/>

For E-safety information and website links for both children and families please visit the following pages on our website:

<http://www.waterthorpeinfantschool.co.uk/computing-and-e-safety/>

<http://www.waterthorpeinfantschool.co.uk/e-safety/>

Volunteers

Boys reading club every Tuesday between 2.45p.m. and 3.10pm. We need lots of 'men' who can come along and share a book with one or two of our boys each week. We want to show our little boys how reading is fun and something lots of men enjoy!



Please, please, please come along or (if you're a women) encourage dads, granddads, uncles, neighbours to come along and support us.

Jewellery in School

Children are allowed to wear stud earrings for school but these must be removed for P.E. Children are **not** allowed to wear other jewellery in school such as necklaces, bracelets or hooped earrings.



Serious accidents have occurred as a result of jewellery getting caught especially while children are running and playing outside.

Please support us in keeping the children safe.

On- going Information for newsletter

There is some information that we are regularly asked for, e.g. the number for playgroup, and this is in our newsletter attachment rather than in the main newsletter every month.

If you want any information on the following, please look at the 'Newsletter Extras' on our website. Some of the items below also have links to our website pages (Ctrl + Click to follow link):

Newsletter Extras:

- [Assemblies](#)
- [Attendance](#)
- [Book Bags](#)
- [Breakfast Club](#)
- [Children's University](#)
- [Easimaths](#)
- [Food Bank](#)
- [Holidays and term dates 2018 ~2019](#)
- [Kid's Club](#)
- [Lost Property](#)
- [MAST](#)
- [Medication](#)
- [Nursery](#)
- [Ofsted Parentview](#)
- [Parentmail](#)
- [Parking](#)
- [PE](#)
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- [Recycling](#)
- [Rules on collecting children from school](#)
- [Safeguarding](#)
- [School Meals](#)
- [Stepping Stones Playgroup](#)
- [Twitter](#)
- [Uniform](#)
- [Website](#)
- [Westfield Family of Schools](#)

Attached to this Newsletter:

If you have not received a letter about any events mentioned in this newsletter, please call at the school office to collect one.

- [Bike Skills letter](#)
- [Christmas Dinner Sandwich order](#)
- [Christmas Chocolate Raffle](#)
- [SEAL Workshop](#)
- [Spring Term After-School Clubs](#)

Diary Dates 2018 ~ 2019

November

- 13th SEAL Family workshop ~ 9:15a.m. to 10:15a.m. *Getting on and Falling Out* theme (Red, Blue, Yellow and Green Bases)
- 14th Nasal Vaccination Day in school
- 15th Bike Skills workshops for children
- 15th Toys family Workshop 9:15a.m. (Blue, Yellow and Green Bases)
- 15th Parent's Evening
- 16th Children in Need Charity day - wear spots **No Birthday and Merit Assembly today**
- 22nd Y1 AT (Mrs Appleby and Mrs Taylor) Blue Base class assembly 9:15a.m.
- 29th Y2M Yellow Base class assembly 9:15a.m.

December

- 5th Pantomime ~ Dick Whittington
- 12th Christmas Dinner day (to be confirmed)
- 13th Red Base Christmas Assembly 10a.m. in hall (doors open at 9:45am)
- 13th 6p.m. Carol Singing at Crystal Peaks
- 18th No After-School Clubs this week (Does not include Kid's Club)
- 18th Blue, Yellow & Green Base Nativity 2p.m. in church (doors open 1:45p.m.)
- 19th Blue, Yellow & Green Base Nativity 10a.m. in church (doors open 9:45a.m.)
- 20th Party Day (children may wear party clothes to school)
- 20th Christmas draw day
- 21st Nursery Nativity in church 9:30a.m.
- 21st Break up for Christmas at end of today

January

- 7th Return to school
- 11th Food Drive Friday: Please send in donations of tins, bottles and dried food or toiletries
- 14th After-school clubs start today
- 18th SEAL Family workshop ~ 9:15a.m. to 10:15a.m. *Going for Goals* theme
No Merit and Birthday Assembly
- 23rd 'Minibeast' Family Workshop 3:15p.m.
- 31st Y2W Green Base class assembly 9:15a.m.

February

- 5th Online Safety Day
- 5th Y1 Phonics Family workshop 8:50a.m.
- 7th Y1B Blue Base class assembly 9:15a.m.
- 12th Blue, Yellow and Green Base trip to Butterfly Farm
- 14th Scooter Skills Day
- 14th Valentine Disco for children in school 3:15p.m. to 4:30p.m.
(children may wear party clothes for school)

- 14th Break up for half term at end of today
- 15th INSET Day ~ School closed to children
- 25th Return to school

March

- 6th Cake Sale at Crystal Peaks
- 6th SEAL Family Workshop 2p.m. to 3:10p.m. Good to Be Me theme
- 6th World Book Day: Dress-up
- 12th 'Easter Fun' Family Workshop 9:15a.m.
- 14th Y2M Yellow Base class assembly 9:15a.m.
- 15th Comic Relief Day
- 21st Red Base class assembly 9:15a.m.
- 25th No After-School Clubs this week (Does not include Kid's Club)
- 26th Easter Garden assembly 9:15a.m. to 10a.m.
- 27th Easter Bonnet Competition and Easter Draw (children only)
- 27th Individual Reports to parents out today
- 28th Parent's Evening 3:15p.m. to 7:15p.m.
- 28th Break up for Easter at the end of today
- 29th INSET Day ~ School closed to children

April

- 15th Return to school: No After-School Clubs this week (Does not include Kid's Club)
- 19th Bank Holiday ~ School closed
- 22nd Bank Holiday ~ School closed
- 23rd After-school clubs start today
- 26th Food Drive Friday: Please send in donations of tins, bottles and dried food or toiletries
- 30th Seaside Family Workshop 9:15a.m.

May

- 6th Bank holiday ~ School closed
- 9th Learn to Ride Your Bike workshops for children
- 15th Seaside workshops for children
- 22nd Sponsored event
- 23rd Class photo day
- 24th Break up for Half term at end of today

June

- 3rd INSET DAY School closed to children
- 4th Return to school
- 12th 'Dinosaur' Family Workshop 3:10p.m.
- 13th Bike Skills day
- 18th Transition assembly led by Mrs Newton-Wall for Y2 children
- 21st Parents informed of classes for next year
- 24th Dinosaur workshops for children

28th Sport Morning 9:30a.m. on field

July

4th Blue Base class singing Assembly/performance 2:40p.m.

5th SEAL Family Workshop 9:15a.m. to 10:15a.m. Changes theme (No Merit Assembly)

9th Family picnic 4p.m. to 6p.m.

11th Red Base class assembly 9:15a.m.

11th Parent's Evening 3:15p.m. to 7:15p.m.

12th Nursery Consultation Day ~ Nursery closed to children

15th No After-School Clubs this week (Does not include Kid's Club)

16th Class swap day

18th Leaver's Assembly & Y2 Attendance and Awards 9:15a.m. to 10a.m.

19th Attendance and Awards (not Y2) Assembly & Birthdays (to include Y2 summer holidays birthdays)

23rd Y2 Leavers Party Day (Fancy Dress)

24th Toy Day

24th Break up for Summer at end of today

Please let us have any comments or feedback about any items in our newsletter (Please include your name and child's name if you would like a response):



Bike Skills sessions

Thursday 15th November 2018

On Thursday 15th November we are running cycling sessions with Paula from 'Bike-it'. These are open to children in Blue, Yellow and Green Base

Children participating in these sessions should already be able to ride without stabilisers. They may have just learnt to ride or be confident cyclists (We will run separate sessions). Limited places are available for this activity.

For children to be able to take part the following must be checked and correct when bringing bikes to any cycling sessions:

- Helmets are in good condition and have all the pads inside
- Tyres are correctly inflated
- Brakes are working properly, and the levers are in the right place on the handle bars, so children can reach them comfortably
- Seats and handles are at the correct height. so children can place their toes comfortably on the ground



Bike skills Sessions Thursday 15th November 2018

Child's Name.....

Class:.....

My child has recently learnt to ride and would like to take part in the skills session.

My child is a confident rider and would like to take part in the skills session.

I confirm that:

- My child's bike is in safe working order
- My child will wear a helmet

Signed: (parent/carer)

We will ensure that all data provided is processed in line with our Privacy Notice and other relevant policies.

Nativity Creche on Wednesday 19th December from 9:45a.m.

I would like to book creche places for : (enter names and ages)



Name:.....

Age:.....

Name:.....

Age:.....

Name:.....

Age:

My contact telephone during the creche will be:.....

Parent's/carer's name:.....

Signed:

Christmas Dinner Day Wednesday 12th December

On Christmas Dinner day there will be no jacket potatoes. It is important that you order school sandwiches, or let us know if your child will be bringing their own sandwiches on the day so we can order the correct amount of Christmas dinners from the kitchen a week before the event.

Please return the slip below



Christmas Dinner Day Wednesday 12th December

Child's Name:.....

Class:.....

I would like to order school sandwiches on 12th December

My child will be bringing their own sandwiches on 12th December

Signed (parent/carer).....

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Chocolate Christmas Raffle

We are having a **Chocolate Christmas Raffle** to raise funds for the school. The draw will be held on **Thursday 20th December**.

We would like each child to bring in a chocolate item which will then be used to make chocolate hampers for the raffle. Each class will put together their own chocolate hamper. There is no restriction on the size of the chocolate donation or how many items each child brings. The more creative the better, anything chocolate!

Please bring your donation to your child's classroom by **Wednesday 19th December**.

A sheet of raffle tickets is attached to this letter. Tickets are priced at **25p** each. Please fill in the details of the person who is purchasing each ticket and return the tickets & money to the office, or your child's class, in an envelope before **Wednesday 19th December**. (You can just put on your child's name and their class on the ticket if the prize would be for them.)

If you require more tickets, they are available from the school office.

Thank you for your support in our fundraising.



Chocolate Raffle Tickets 25p each /£2.50 for sheet.

<p>Waterthorpe NI School Chocolate Raffle</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Telephone: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>Child's Name _____</p> <p>Class _____</p>	<p>Waterthorpe NI School Chocolate Raffle</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Telephone: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>Child's Name _____</p> <p>Class _____</p>
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SEAL Family Workshop 13th November

Dear Parents/Carers



You are invited to the family SEAL workshop on the theme of 'Getting on and Falling Out' on 13th November at 9.15am - 10am in Waterthorpe Infant School hall. During this workshop you will be able to take part in an activity with your child.

Please return the slip below to confirm your attendance.



SEAL Family Workshop 13th November

I will be attending the family SEAL workshop on 13th November.



Name

Childs/Children's Names.....

Classes

Number of younger children attending with you:.....

Names of children in Emmanuel who you would like to join the workshop with you:.....

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Toys Family Workshop
Thursday 15th November 9:15a.m.



Dear parents, carers and families,

Please join us for our 'Toys' Family Workshop on Thursday 15th November at 9:15a.m. in the school hall. **This workshop is for families of children in school (Blue, Yellow and Green bases).** Your children will be brought to join the workshop with you. Younger, pre-school, sisters and brothers are welcome to come along and join in too.

At the workshop you will be able to take part in some fun activities around the topic theme of Toys.

You will learn how to help your child with their Design & Technology work.

The workshop will last for approximately 1 hour.

Please return the attached slip to let us know that you will be attending.

Toys Family Workshop Thursday 15th November 9:15a.m.



Child/children's names & classes:.....
.....



Number of **other** younger children (brothers/sisters) attending the workshop with you:.....

Number of adults attending the workshop:.....

I will be attending the Toys Workshop.

Signed:

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WATERTHORPE AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: SPRING TERM 2019

Clubs run after school every day except Wednesday. Clubs in the Spring term are open to all children in Y1 and Y2 (Blue, Yellow and Green bases) Clubs start in the week beginning 14th January.

Karate Club is £15 per half term (paid directly to the karate teacher). £5 for a karate suit for new members also applies. Additional fees for competitions and gradings also apply but these are optional. We ask for £1.25 per week for each of the other clubs.

We ask that all clubs are paid for by the beginning of the Spring term. Due to the costs of administration, we are not able to give refunds when children do not attend clubs, or change their minds about going to a club. For this reason, it is really important that you are sure your child does want to attend a club before you request a place.

Clubs should be paid for by our online payment system, sQuid. If you are not yet registered, please call at the office for your registration code. **PLEASE DO NOT PAY UNTIL YOU RECEIVE CONFIRMATION OF THE CLUBS THAT YOUR CHILD HAS A PLACE FOR.**

Please tick the clubs that you would like your child to attend:

Monday 14th Jan to 18th March Drama (£11.25 for 9 weeks)

Tuesday 15th Jan to 19th March Sports (£11.25 for 9 weeks)

Thursday 17th Jan to 21st March Dance (£10 for 8 weeks)

Thursday 17th Jan to 21st March Film (£10 for 8 weeks)

(no dance or Film Club on 14th Feb ~ Valentine Disco)

Friday 14th Sept to 22nd March Karate (£15 per half term)
(£5 for karate suits for new members) **(No karate on 15th Feb ~ INSET Day)**

Child's name:..... Class:.....

My contact number between 3:10 p.m. and 4:10p.m. is:

Signed:.....(person with parental responsibility)

If you would like your child to attend any after school clubs, please complete the application and return to school asap. **Please note that it is important to return this form even if your child currently attends a club.** Letters will be sent out informing you if your child has a place in clubs. We will ensure that all data provided is processed in line with our Privacy Notice and other relevant policies.