



Waddesdon Village Primary School

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8th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome back to school. I hope you had a wonderful holiday and are ready for a busy and exciting term ahead. A special welcome to new pupils, parents and carers to our school.

It is wonderful to see the children back in school. In classrooms, I have been greeted by happy children who are ready to learn. They are impressing us all with their focus on their learning and their determination to make this year the best one yet.

On 14th September at 5pm, we are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our face-to-face 'Meet the Teacher' event. At this session, your child's Class Teacher will share information for the year ahead and it will be a chance for you to ask any questions you may have. For this event, please make your way to your child's classroom. We appreciate that your child(ren) may need to accompany you to this event - the shared areas will be available for your child whilst you are meeting the Class Teacher.

If you are unable to attend the event, all information will be uploaded to the 'Class Pages' of the school website.

Please note – The Class 6 residential meeting will form part of the 'Meet the Teacher' session.

Performance Data for 2021-2022

In the July newsletter, I touched upon the school's performance data and I am delighted to share the results with you.

EYFS (Reception Class)

Reception children are assessed against the early learning goals in the 3 prime areas (PSED, Communication and Language and Physical Development) as well as the specific areas (Literacy and Numeracy). If children achieve the expected level in all of these areas, they achieve a 'good level of development (GLD)'.

77% of Reception pupils achieved GLD at Waddesdon (National 2019 pre-COVID: 72%)

Phonics Screening (Year 1)

Meeting the standard at WVPS	National standard (2019 pre-COVID)
94%	82%

KS1 SATS (Year 2)

	Expected at WVPS	Expected National (2019 pre-COVID)	Greater depth at WVPS	Greater depth National (2019 pre-COVID)
Reading	76%	75%	17%	25%
Writing	72%	69%	14%	15%
Maths	83%	76%	14%	22%

KS2 SATS (Year 6)

	Expected at WVPS	Expected National	Greater depth at WVPS	Greater depth National (2019 pre-COVID)
Reading	84%	74%	31%	27%
Writing	75%	69%	3%	20%
Maths	78%	71%	25%	27%
R, W, M combined	72%	59%	13%	10%



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I am incredibly proud of our pupils and the staff team who have worked tirelessly to achieve these wonderful results despite COVID disruption over the last 2 years. I am sure you will join me in congratulating our pupils and staff.

Communication

We believe that it is vital to continue our positive and constructive partnership between home and school. We pursue an 'Open Door' policy so that you, as parents and carers, feel you can informally approach the teaching and leadership staff with any questions, suggestions, issues or concerns, whether large or small. Experience has shown us that there is very little we cannot find a way through if the school community works together. However, *if we don't know about it*, we can't help, so please *always* come and talk, write a note, drop us an email (office@waddesdonprimary.com) or pick up the phone (01296 651237).

Please see the 'Who to Contact' flowchart below.

Reminders

A couple of notices and reminders for the beginning of the school year:

- **Autumn Term 1 dates:** these are attached to this letter.
- **Uniform:** The children have come back to school looking incredibly smart and in-line with the school's uniform policy. Thank you for your support with this. We understand that from time to time, some parts of uniform may fall outside of the school policy as a one-off. However, if it is expected to be ongoing, please contact your child's the teacher. If support with meeting the uniform expectations is required, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.
- **COVID-19:** Government guidance [People with symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19) recommends that children and young people are not tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional. The guidance advises that children with a positive test result 'should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can.'

These are the main messages for you at the moment as we start back but please regularly check your child's bag, Tapestry, Parentmail and also the school website where any correspondence is published. You can also follow our school's Twitter account for latest news: @WaddPrim

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation. I wish everyone a happy and successful new school year.

Kind regards,

Miss Laura Forchione
Headteacher





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Diary Dates – Autumn Term 1 2022

02.09.22	INSET Day
05.09.22	Children return to school
13.09.22	Transfer Test – practice paper
14.09.22	Meet the Teacher evening – 5pm in classrooms Year 6 residential parent meeting – 5pm in Year 6 classroom
15.09.22	Transfer Test PAWS AGM – 7pm TBC
29.09.22 (moved from 10.10.22)	Year 4 residential meeting – 5.30pm in Year 4 classroom
30.09.22	Macmillan Coffee Morning – 8.30am courtyard
07.10.22	PAWS Harvest event – TBC Open morning for prospective parents – 9.30am Harvest food collection for the Vineyard, Aylesbury
14.10.22	Transfer Test – results day
20.10.22	Individual and sibling photographs
21.10.22	PAWS Spooky Bake Sale – 3.20pm Break up at 3.20pm

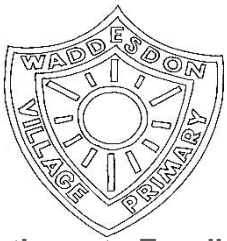
Important dates that you may like to add to your diary is our invitation for you to come in to school on the dates below. It would be wonderful to see as many of you as possible.

These dates are as follows:

- **Tuesday 8th November – Open afternoon for EYFS and KS1 – 2.30pm to 3.20pm**
- **Wednesday 9th November – Open afternoon for Year 3 and 6 – 2.30pm to 3.20pm**
- **Thursday 10th November – Open afternoon for Year 4 and 5 – from 2.30pm to 3.20pm**
- **Tuesday 22nd November – Parent/Carer consultation evening – 3.30pm to 7.30pm**
- **Wednesday 23rd November – Parent/Carer consultation evening – 3.30pm to 7.30pm**
- **Friday 9th December – PAWS Christmas Fair – pm**
- **Wednesday 14th December – PAWS Christmas Disco**



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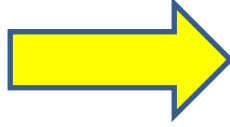
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Who to Contact

Reading books, learning, homework, behaviour, personal well-being, friendships or any worries at all

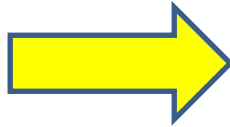


Class Teacher - via the School Office*

01296 651237

office@waddesdonprimary.com

Lunches, leave of absence, change of address or numbers, trips, tickets for school events, appointments with staff, clubs



Mrs Thompson - Administration Assistant

01296 651237

office@waddesdonprimary.com

Medical concerns, injuries, medicine, return to school after an illness



Mrs Arnaud/Mrs Jones - First Aid

01296 651237

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Special education needs, ECHP, support for pupils



Miss Cross - SEN Lead

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If you have contacted the class teacher and still have concerns please contact the Key Stage Leader:
EYFS and KS1 classes - please contact Miss Cross

KS2 classes - please contact Mrs Swanson



Mrs Leslie, Deputy Headteacher



Miss Forchione, Headteacher

**All communications for members of staff must be sent via the School Office and not via personal work email addresses. Thank you.*



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