

Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have finally made it to the end of term and the end of the school year. What a year it has been! I could not be more proud of the children at Lime Academy Watergall who have taken all of the challenges that this year has presented to them in their stride. They always give the adults in school a reason to smile. We have introduced a brand new curriculum this year which has been very positively received by the children. End of term assessments have shown that in spite of the disruption to learning this year, the children have made progress in their learning. This is partly due to our new curriculum and the high levels of engagement that the children have shown but it is also as a result of their hard work and commitment to their learning. Thank you to all parents, grandparents and older siblings who have supported the children with their learning this year. Home learning was a challenge for us all and we know that without support from home the children would not have been able to access their learning as successfully as they did.

This week we have had sports day for all children. Photos of the sessions will be shared on Class Dojo and you will see how much fun the children had. It was lovely to see them enjoying the session and throwing themselves into the different sports without hesitation. Each class was split into five groups and those groups all earned points through their participation in different activities. The points from each group across the school have been added up and I am pleased to announce that Morocco is the winning country – well done to all children who were in Team Morocco. Well done to every child in school for taking part, showing fantastic sportsmanship and giving their all.

Rock Steady concerts took place on Monday and will also be shared via Class Dojo. If your child has expressed an interest in taking part in Rock Steady, take a look at Class Dojo to get an idea of what it offers.

Attendance News:

For the academic year our attendance target is 97%. As a school we monitor attendance daily to ensure that pupils in school and making the most of the learning opportunities on offer and make expected progress during the year.

Whole School Attendance: 94.7%					
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
91.9%	96.5%	95.2%	95.3%	91.2%	96.8%

We are in the process of finalising the plans for September and will be sharing these with you in due course. The way in which children come into school in the mornings will remain the same, with children going straight into classrooms rather than lining up on the playground. We will also be sharing a revised map with you before the start of term to assist you in finding your child's new classroom.

We wish all of our Year 6 children the best of luck as they move onto their next adventure at secondary school. They have been an amazing year group and will be missed by us all. As you know we are also saying 'Goodbye and Good Luck' to several members of staff today. Thank you to Miss Billington, Mrs Hill, Miss Cliffe, Mrs Vaughan, Mrs Cook, Mrs Hanley and Mr Newstead who are all moving on to new adventures. You will all be missed but we know that your new schools are so lucky to have you.

And finally, I would like to say thank you to the staff at school as they have worked so hard throughout the year to ensure the school is a positive place to be. It has been a team effort all year to ensure that the school is clean and safe, the children are well fed, cared for and well taught. Every member of staff has worked hard to ensure that your children have been able to come to school and learn.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wood
Headteacher

COVID-19 Updates

We will be tracking cases up until 19th July, please keep us informed if your child tests positive or develops symptoms over the weekend. You can contact the school on: office.watergall@limetrust.org or 07907 853657. Please ensure that you are checking your Parentmail communications for any updates on bubble closures.

Parent Communication – Moving to Arbor

All parents have now received an email inviting them to set up an account with Arbor. Please ensure that you create an account as we will be using this for all parent communication going forward. If you have any problems setting up an account, please call the school office.

This week's FANTASTICs

This week, we are continuing to focus on the BOOMTASTICs. The BOOMTASTICs are the techniques and devices of writing. The last three lenses are Pathetic Fallacy, Pun and Personification. Under



the Pathetic Fallacy lens, children give human emotions to inanimate objects of nature. The Pun lens, relies on the double function of language- it refers to the physical properties of things but also to the psychological properties of people. Under the Personification lens, children focus on figurative language where inanimate objects are given human characteristics.



Swimming – Autumn Term

Year 5 swimming will start on Tuesday 7th September.

Dinner Menu w/c: 2nd September

Thursday	Sausage	Iced sponge
	Quorn sausage	Yoghurt and fruit
	mash, peas, carrots and gravy	Cheese and biscuits
Friday	Fish fingers	Arctic Roll
	Quorn Dippers	Yoghurt and fruit
	Chips peas and beans	Cheese and biscuits

Questions of the week:

We are aware that sometimes it is tricky for children to talk to parents about their learning from the week or that sometimes you get the answer “nothing” for all school questions. Therefore, we are now going to provide a prompt question for each year group every week, so that you can ask your child and get them talking about their amazing learning.

	Prompt for learning question of the week
EYFS	What has been your favourite memory of Reception?
Year 1	What sport would you like to take part in in the Olympics and why?
Year 2	What is your best memory of Year 2?
Year 3	In which city did the Olympics first begin?
Year 4	What have you learnt about the Olympic Games?
Year 5	What were your favourite memories in year 5?
Year 6	What has been your favourite experience of Year 6?