

Message from the Deputy Headteacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

And just like that, we find ourselves at the end of a busy half term at Lime Academy Watergall. We have been thrilled by the level of our pupils' engagement in all aspects of their learning and how the vast majority have conducted themselves around school, embodying our school values of Respect, Equality, Self-worth, Partnership, Enjoyment, Communication and Trust.

This week, Animal Encounters led a super 'meet and greet' session with our Year 3 and Reception classes. The children were excited to learn all about many animals and their habitats and met an array of different animals ranging from snakes to skunks, meerkats and tortoises!

After half term, each year group will have clubs to sign up to, a variety of sports and teacher led activities will be on offer. Our pupils also have exciting experience days to look forward to for new topics and texts so watch this space!

Parent-teacher virtual consultation meetings will be available to book after school today through School Cloud. I know that teachers are very much looking forward to sharing your child's progress with you so please don't forget to sign up for these. If your child is on the SEND register you can also book an appointment to discuss progress with myself as the school's SENCO.

EYFS open days for new September 2022 starters have been scheduled for 10th and 11th November. Please contact the school office if you would like to be booked on to either of these dates.

As always, thank you for all your continued support and on behalf of myself, the rest of the Senior Leadership Team and all the staff at Lime Academy Watergall we wish you a safe and relaxing half term break. If your child has a positive PCR test over the weekend of 23rd-24th October please email the school office on office.watergall@limetrust.org.

Mr Harfield

Attendance News:

For the academic year our attendance target is 92.3%. 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: 91.9%					
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.3%	92.6%	97.1%	92.2%	92%	88.5%

EYFS Open Days

If you have a child who is due to start school in **September 2022**, we would like to invite you to our open sessions that we will be running.

We will be running sessions on the following days:

Wednesday 10 th November	1.30-2.30pm
Thursday 11 th November	9.30-10.30am
Friday 7 th January	9.30-10.30am

For all sessions please report to the school office at the start of the session.

If you would like to register to attend a session, please click on <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eyfs-open-days-tickets-190921440167>

For more information and to see our virtual tour, please visit: www.limeacademywatergall.co.uk

PE Days

Children can come to school on their PE days in their PE kit.

	First session	Second session
EYFS	Monday	Wednesday
Year 1 -1CL	Monday	Tuesday
Year 1 – 1KR	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 2	Monday	Friday
Year 3	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 4	Monday	Wednesday
Year 5	Tuesday (swimming)	Thursday
Year 6	Wednesday	Friday

Diary Dates 2021/22

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1 st November	Return to school
10 th November	Individual school photos
10 th November 3.30pm	Virtual Parents evening
10 th November 1.30pm	Prospective EYFS parents open session
11 th November 9.30am	Prospective EYFS parents open session
11 th November	Virtual Parents evening
19 th November	Children in Need
29 th November	School Council trip to Tallington Farm
17 th December 1.30pm	Break up for Christmas
5 th January 2022	Return to school
6 th January 2022 9.30am	Prospective EYFS parents open session

After School Clubs

The following clubs will start running after half term. You can sign your child up to a club from 5pm tonight on Arbor. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. Due to the darker evenings, all pupils must be collected after the clubs.

	Club	Day
1	Multiskills Mindfulness	Tuesday Wednesday
2	Board games Multi-skills	Tuesday Wednesday
3	Lego Dance	Wednesday Thursday
4	TT Rockstars Hockey	Wednesday Monday
5	Gardening Football	Wednesday Friday
6	Netball	Wednesday
KS2	VIAM	Tuesday

Christmas cards

Your child will be bringing home a Christmas card today that they have designed at school. You will be able to purchase cards from 4pm today. Cards are £5 for a pack of 12. All orders need to be placed by Wednesday 3rd November.

Parents Evening

We are running virtual parents evening via School Cloud on the following days:

Date	Classes
Wednesday 10 th November 3.30-8.30	1KR, 2AT, 2KSB, 4CG, 4ZB, 6CH, 6SL
Thursday 11 th November 3.30-8.30	EYFS, 1CL, 3VH, 3VT, 5EW, 5FR

You will be able to book your video call appointment via School Cloud tonight from 4pm. You will be emailed a link from the system when appointments go live, or you can use the link below <https://limewatergall.schoolcloud.co.uk> to make a video call appointment with your child's class teacher or with Mr Harfield to discuss any SEND needs.

Children In Need – Friday 19th November



On Friday 19th November, we will be fundraising for Children in Need as a school. In exchange for a £2 donation, we are inviting the children to come into school in 'Crazy Clothes' and to participate in a variety of Pudsey-themed activities. Crazy clothes could

include wearing lots of bright colours, lots of different patterns, clothes inside out or unexpected clothes on top of other clothes! If your child does not want to participate, they should come to school in their school uniform. If this is your child's PE session, their clothing should be appropriate for that lesson.

Year 6 Secondary School Places

Please note that the closing date to apply for your child to start secondary school is fast approaching.

The last date to apply is 31st October.

School Trips

We have started to book school trips. Please keep an eye out on the diary dates section in the weekly newsletter. We will send out letters and permission requests via Arbor as soon as final details have been confirmed.

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
REC	Can you name the three skeletons in Funnybones?
Year 1	How do you programme a Beebot?
Year 2	How did you make your chair for the bear?
Year 3	What is a thumbnail;?
Year 4	What is the name of the process that turns a gas into a liquid?
Year 5	Who is Katherine Johnson and how was she important?
Year 6	What's a factor? And what's a multiple?

National On-line Safety



National Online Safety

With social media become more accessible to younger children, it is really important that we educate ourselves on

how to keep our children safe. As a school, we have access to the National Online Safety programme. There are videos that you can watch which will inform you of how you can help protect your children online. Online Safety for Parents and Carers of Children Aged 7-11 is a short course that provides you with the knowledge and skills needed to feel confident and empowered to help keep children safe.



Dinner Menu w/c: 1st November

Monday	Pork meat balls or Quorn balls	Cookie
	Baguette with cheese	Yoghurt or fruit
	Pasta, sweetcorn	Cheese and biscuits
Tuesday	Beef and onion pie or Quorn mince pie	Jelly and Ice cream
	Tuna mayo wrap	Yoghurt or fruit
	Broccoli and mixed veg	Cheese and biscuits
Wednesday	Chicken or Quorn fillet	Pancakes with Syrup
	Ham and Cheese Slice	Yoghurt or fruit
	Carrots, cauliflower, roast potatoes and Yorkshire	Cheese and biscuits
Thursday	Carbonara or Macaroni Cheese	Angel Delight & Biscuit
	Cheese and Bean parcel	Fruit or yoghurt
	Bread, mixed veg	Cheese and biscuits
Friday	Hot dog or meat free hot dog	Smoothies
	Jacket potato with Cheese and beans	Yoghurt or fruit
	Chips, beans, sweetcorn	Cheese and biscuits

Uniform and PE kit

Please ensure that your child is coming to school wearing the correct uniform including a school tie and a school jumper. Please ensure that PE is navy or black joggers or shorts and a **plain** t-shirt and jumper/hoodie.

Positive Covid Results

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