

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of a busy and joyful term, I want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible hard work and achievements of all our children. They have shown such enthusiasm and resilience in their learning, and we are so proud of each and every one of them. A huge thank you to all of you for the amazing turnout at our Christmas Fair. It was wonderful to see our school community come together; the atmosphere was fantastic and truly reflected the spirit of our school.



Our nativities were nothing short of magical! The children's performances were full of confidence and joy, and it was a privilege to share these special moments with you.

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you a safe, restful, and enjoyable Christmas break with your families. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year for another exciting term.

Mr Buffham



Hello Everyone,

It gives me great pleasure to introduce myself as the new Deputy Headteacher at Watergall. I am really excited to join the Watergall community and can't wait to get to know you all. I have worked in Primary Schools for 27 years and held senior leadership positions for 19 years. Watergall is a happy, vibrant and exciting place to be and I am already enjoying being part of a team who cares so much about the education and well-being of our learners.



In my personal life, I am Mum to Harriet who is 11 years old and we live at home with Mr Ford, our three dogs; Treacle, Millie and Fenton and two rabbits; Ruby and Sapphire. As a teacher and a Mum, I like to think I bring a wealth of experience that will really benefit our children. I believe passionately in the power of education to change lives and hope I will make a positive and lasting difference to our children.

Mrs Ford



ABSENCE PROCEDURE

Please contact the school on the first day of absence and keep us informed daily via the absence line, the school office or via the Arbor app. If your child is due to have a planned medical appointment, you must notify the school in advance and provide documentary evidence in the form of an official letter or appointment card. Where possible, please make appointments outside of school hours.

PRIVACY NOTICE

Lime Trust takes the privacy of pupil & parent data very seriously; therefore, we would just like to remind parents that you can view/read our privacy notices on the school website

[privacy-notice-pupils-parents-updated-jan-23-1.pdf](#)
(limeacademywatergall.org)

SCHOOL COLLECTION PROCEDURE

For repeat collection

- Must be 16 or over, with proof of age
- Must be registered on Arbor as a contact and authority under 'can collect'

For 'one off' collection

- Contact from a legal guardian must be made to the School Office only
- ID must be shown at the point of collection

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL NOT RELEASE A CHILD IF THE PERSON COLLECTING IS NOT ON THE COLLECTION LIST.

PE DAYS

EYFS – Wednesday & Friday

Year 1 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 2 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 3 – Thursday & Friday

Year 4 – Wednesday & THURSDAY SWIMMING

Year 5 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 6 – Monday & Friday

Children should come to school on their PE day wearing a full school PE kit.

Swimming for Year 4 will start on Thursday 8th January.

Year 4 will need to bring a towel, swimming hat and swim shorts or a one-piece swimsuit.

2025-26 School Calendar						
Month	School Days			School Closure		
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Inset / Staff Training Days
September 2025	1	2	3	4	5	
	8	9	10	11	12	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
October	29	30	1	2	3	
	6	7	8	9	10	
	13	14	15	16	17	
	20	22	23	24	25	Oct Half-term
November	27	28	29	30	31	
	3	4	5	6	7	
	10	11	12	13	14	
	17	18	19	20	21	
	24	25	26	27	28	
December	1	2	3	4	5	
	8	9	10	11	12	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
January 2026	29	30	31	1	2	Winter Break
	5	6	7	8	9	
	12	13	14	15	16	
	19	20	21	22	23	
	26	27	28	29	30	
February	2	3	4	5	6	
	9	10	11	12	13	
	16	17	18	19	20	Feb Half-term
	23	24	25	26	27	
March	2	3	4	5	6	
	9	10	11	12	13	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	23	24	25	26	27	
April	30	31	1	2	3	
	6	7	8	9	10	Spring Break
	13	14	15	16	17	
	20	21	22	23	24	
May	27	28	29	30	1	
	4	5	6	7	8	
	11	12	13	14	15	
	18	19	20	21	22	
	25	26	27	28	29	May Half-term
June	1	2	3	4	5	
	8	9	10	11	12	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
July	29	30	1	2	3	
	6	7	8	9	10	
	13	14	15	16	17	
	20	21	22	23	24	
	27	28	29	30	31	Summer Break

SOCIAL MEDIA

Don't forget to follow our Facebook page for school updates and class activities.

[Facebook-Watergall](#)

If you do not already have access to Class Dojo, please ask your child's teacher about accessing an account

BREAKFAST CLUB 8AM-8.40AM

Breakfast Club is available to book via Arbor by accessing the Clubs section.

To secure a spot for your child, kindly make sure to book their attendance at least 24 hours in advance.

Please note the School Office cannot book club spaces.

Payment in advance is required before booking can be completed.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB 3.25PM-5.45PM

Club is available to book via Arbor by accessing the Clubs section. Late collections will incur an additional cost.

To secure a spot for your child, kindly make sure to book their attendance at least 24 hours in advance.

Please note the School Office cannot book clubs.

Payment in advance is required before booking can be completed.

School Lunches

School lunches are available to order on Arbor at a price of **£2.65** per meal. Please book 7 days in advance or until the end of term to avoid missing out on a school meal. PLEASE NOTE SOME MEALS HAVE BEEN CHANGED FROM 3.11.25.

Please ensure your child's dietary requirements are up to date on Arbor.

  						
Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option 1	Creamy Tomato and Butter Bean Roasted Pepper Pasta with Garlic Bread and Seasonal Vegetables	Pork Sausage & Mash Potato with Seasonal Vegetables	Honey & Thyme roast chicken served with roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, seasonal vegetables and gravy	Pepperoni & mozzarella pizza served with potato wedges and seasonal vegetables 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	MSC Fish Fingers with chips and Garden Peas 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	
Option 2 Vegetarian	Mexican Cheese & Fresh Tomato Quesadilla with Organic Wholewheat Fusilli and chopped salad	Veggie Chilli Taco Tuesday with Rice and Chopped Salad	Jacket Potato served with baked beans and cheese or tuna and mayonnaise and seasonal vegetables	Margherita Pizza served with potato wedges and seasonal vegetables 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Vegan Sausage Roll with chips and Garden Peas 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	
Option 3	Harry Ramsden MSC Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake with Organic Wholewheat Fusilli and seasonal vegetables	Chicken Byriani with Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Cheese & Ham French Stick with chopped salad	Veggie Mexican Rice Poki Bowl	Sticky Teriyaki Chicken Bao Bun with Chips and Garden Peas	
	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection.	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	
Dessert	Frozen Mango Smoothie Yogurt Biscuit	Dorset Seasonal Apple Cake Yogurt Biscuit	Blueberry Muffin Yogurt Biscuit	Cocoa Banana Bread Yogurt Biscuit	Dessert of the Day Yogurt Biscuit	
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option 1	Vegan Chicken Style Strip Noodles served With Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken Burger served with 50/50 Pasta and Cucumber Slices 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Roast Basil and Lemon Chicken Breast with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding and Seasonal Vegetables	Meatfeast & Cheddar pizza served with potato wedges and seasonal vegetables 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Fish fingers served with chips, seasonal vegetables or baked beans 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	
Option 2	Jacket Potato served with baked beans and cheese or tuna and mayonnaise and seasonal vegetables	Homemade Veggie Chickpea burger with 50/50 Pasta and Cucumber Slices 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Quorn fillet served with roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, seasonal vegetables	Margherita Pizza served with potato wedges and seasonal vegetables 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Jacket Potato served with baked beans and cheese or tuna and mayonnaise and seasonal vegetables	
Option 3	BBQ Chicken Wrap with Copped Salad or Seasonal Vegetables	Fajita Roasted Peppers and Vegan Chicken Style Strip Taco with 50/50 Pasta and Cucumber Slices	Cheese Salad Sandwich with Tortilla Chip	Chinese Chicken & Rice Poki Bowl	Pork Sausage roll with chips and beans 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	
	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection.	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	
Dessert	Angel Delight Yogurt Biscuit	Seasonal Clementine cake Yogurt Biscuit	Vegan Strawberry Jelly Yogurt Biscuit	Seasonal Butternut Cocoa Brownie Yogurt Biscuit	Dessert of the Day Yogurt Biscuit	

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Penne Pasta Beef Bolognese with Garlic Bread & seasonal vegetables	Hunters Chicken Jacket Potato with seasonal veg 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Traditional roast chicken served with gravy, herbs roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables	Pepperoni & Cheddar pizza served with potato wedges and seasonal vegetables 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	MSC Battered pollock fillet served with chips, seasonal vegetables or baked beans 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo
Option 2 Vegetarian	Veggie Bolognese served with penne pasta and seasonal vegetables	Veggie Sausage and Lentil Stew with Seasonal Vegetables and New Potatoes	Jacket Potato served with baked beans and cheese or tuna and mayonnaise and seasonal vegetables	Margherita Pizza served with potato wedges and seasonal vegetables 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo	Cheese Puff Pastry with Chips and Garden Peas 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo
Option 3	Jacket Potato served with baked beans and cheese or tuna and mayonnaise and seasonal vegetables	Cheese Sandwich in 50/50 Bread with Chopped Salad and Tortilla Chips	Vegetarian Bean Burrito with Diced Potatoes & Chopped Salad	Ebq Chicken & Rice Poki Bowl	Roast Gammon Ham with Chips & Garden Peas 10g portion of Ketchup or Mayo
	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection.	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection	Semi Skimmed Milk, Salad selection, Fruit selection
Dessert	Frozen Fruit Smoothie Yogurt Biscuit	Seasonal Apple syrup sponge and Custard Yogurt Biscuit	Oat Cookie Yogurt Biscuit	Seasonal Pear & Berry Muffin Yogurt Biscuit	Dessert of the Day Yogurt Biscuit

All our chicken menu items are suitable for a Halal diet. All of our beef menu items are not suitable for a Halal diet

Mrs Carroll and the School Council

I am so proud of the work the school council and I have achieved together this year and none of it would have been possible without all of you. You may remember that in July of this year, we held a very successful summer fayre where you helped us raise a phenomenal £1,100! That money has helped us in so many ways this term. We have donated to the local children's ward at the Peterborough hospital and we have used it to organise this year's Christmas fayre where we were able to provide every child with a gift from Santa.

As well as fundraising for the school and local community, we have also raised money for charity too. In September, we collected enough food to feed between 300-400 people in our harvest festival. In October, we raised £250 for young minds mental health charity and in November we raised over £200 for the Royal British Legion with our poppy appeal. Later on in November we raised another £200 for Children in Need. It has been so wonderful to see the school coming together as a community, whether it to be wear yellow, or by donating a can of food or just by showing up to all of our events.

In addition to the charity work, we as the school council have also been looking for ways to make our school a kinder and more inclusive place. We went on a school trip to Tallington Farms, where we were lucky enough to select a Christmas tree for the school hall. We even got to decorate it and surprise the whole school! The children have also been working hard in our weekly meetings creating some kindness posters and putting forward some fantastic ideas regarding lunchtime - which we will be implementing after the Christmas break so watch this space! Finally, our school councillors have also been doing a fabulous job at being our "Class Ambassadors" which means anytime a visitor comes into school, they meet with them to discuss life as a Watergall student and I have to say, they have been representing us beautifully. We have even received many compliments for how articulately they present themselves and how confidently they can discuss what's happening in the classroom.

All in all, it has been a very successful term for the student council and I am exceptionally proud of the work we have done together so far. I look forward to working with them in the spring and then later into the school year when we will be electing new students to join us! As always, I am so very grateful for your tremendous support and generosity, particularly in what is a tricky time for us all. I look forward to all that 2026 will bring and wish you all a safe and restful Christmas break.

CAN YOU HELP?

🌸 Help Us Bring Our Sensory Garden to Life! 🌸

We're building a magical outdoor space where children can explore, play, and connect with nature—and we'd love your help!

We're currently looking for donations of:

- 🌈 **Colourful hanging items** to brighten the garden
- 😊 **Solar lights** to create a warm, welcoming glow
- 🌿 **Herbs** to awaken the senses
- 🎨 **Child-friendly garden decorations** to inspire imagination
- 🪴 **Plant pots** to help us grow
- 🧸 **Outdoor sensory toys** to encourage playful learning

Every item donated helps us create a space that supports wellbeing, curiosity, and joy.

Together, we can make something truly special—thank you!

NO NUTS (including Nutella/Nutoka)

We would like to remind Parents/Carers that we are a Nut Free School. Please ensure all food that is brought into School, including snacks, does **NOT** contain nuts. We have many children and staff who have severe nut allergies. Please check suncream as some ingredients include almond oil.

Please remember to order your child's school meals 7 days in advance, this includes Reception and FSM children.

UNIFORM

Please ensure ALL items of clothing are clearly labelled to help lost property find its way back to the correct child.

everymind
at work

You're not alone this *Festive Season*

shout
85258

Text 85258
giveusashout.org

mind
for better mental health

0300 123 3393
mind.org.uk

No Panic
Don't suffer alone
Pick up the phone

0300 7729844
nopanice.org.uk

**CAMPAIGN
AGAINST
LIVING
MISERABLY**

0800 58 58 58
thecalmzone.net

**NATIONAL
DEBTLINE**

0808 808 4000
nationaldebtline.org

SAMARITANS

116 123
samaritans.org

**Cruse
Bereavement
Care**
Support for those who have lost someone

0808 808 1677
cruse.org.uk

4 TIPS ON HOW TO FEEL A LITTLE LESS LONELY THIS CHRISTMAS:

Limit your social
media usage

Volunteer in your
local area

Consider scheduling a call
with family or friends

Have a look at what places
are open near you

For more support organisations, you can find the Everymind Mental
Health Support Directory on www.everymindatwork.com.

Don't suffer in silence.

Date	Schedule of upcoming school events (subject to change)
5.1.26	Back to school
8.1.26	Year 4 Swimming lessons start
15.1.26	Teddy Bear Day - *Special Teddy Bear Menu* bring a bear to school plus non-uniform
16.1.26	Year 3 Peterborough Museum
16.2.26-20.2.26	Half Term
13.2.26	TRIP PAYMENT DEADLINE
24.2.26	Year 5 Wonder Dome
5.3.26	EYFS Sacrewell Farm
12&13.3.26	Mother's Day Breakfast – information to follow
27.3.26	Inset Day
30.3.26-10.4.26	Half Term
23.4.26	Year 5 Nene Park
1.5.26	Year 3 Burghley House
1.5.26	Year 4 Fitzwilliam Museum
4.5.26	May Bank Holiday
15.5.26	Year 6 Bowling
21.5.26	EYFS Little City Experience Day
25.5.26-29.5.26	Half Term
10.6.26	Year 2 Stanwick Lakes
17or24.6.25	Year 6 Ferry Meadows
18&19.6.26	Father's Day Breakfast – information to follow
25.6.26	Year 1 Hamerton Zoo
17.7.26	Last day of Term

WRAPAROUND CARE AVAILABLE

08.00-08.40
15.25-17.45

BOOK VIA ARBOR

BREAKFAST & AFTERSCHOOL CLUB AVAILABLE EVERYDAY

PRICES SHOWN ON OUR WEBSITE & ARBOR

HOT AND COLD BREAKFAST & SNACKS PROVIDED

MENU

Wraparound Care Menu

Monday
Breakfast: Baked Beans on Toast, Cereal & Fruit
Afterschool: Cheese or Ham Sandwich with Salad & Tortilla chips

Tuesday
Breakfast: Scrambled Egg on Toast, Cereal & Fruit
Afterschool: Cheese Toastie with Salad & Tortilla chips

Wednesday
Breakfast: Baked Beans on Toast, Cereal & Fruit
Afterschool: Pizza Panini with Salad & Tortilla chips

Thursday
Breakfast: Scrambled Egg on Toast, Cereal & Fruit
Afterschool: Sausage roll with Salad & Tortilla chips

Friday
Breakfast: Baked Beans on Toast, Cereal & Fruit
Afterschool: Cheese or Ham & Cheese Wrap with Salad & Tortilla chips

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08.00-08.40
15.25-17.45
Book via Arbor

Gluten & Dairy Free Alternatives Available

Friendly Reminders

We are a NUT FREE school

Please check all items sent into school are nut free and have no traces of nuts.

Do not send sweets or cakes for birthdays or special occasions

This is due to dietary allergies and intolerances.

The school car park is for staff only

Please use the public car park just outside the school entrance.

Mobile phones and smart watches are not permitted in school

Only children that have walking home consent can bring a phone and this needs to be given straight to the teacher on arrival.

Toys and fidgets from home

We kindly ask that toys and fidget items be kept at home. Unfortunately, the school cannot take responsibility for any personal items that are lost or misplaced.

TRIPS

Class trip details are available on Arbor under the 'Trips' section. All trips have now been added, and to help manage the cost, payments can be spread over the next five months.

WATER ONLY

Please ensure your child brings plain water to school. Squash and flavoured drinks are not allowed as part of our commitment to encouraging healthy hydration.

SAFEGUARDING

Please see our Designated Safeguarding Leads within school-
Chloe McKenzie (Pastoral Lead) DSL
Andy Buffham (Headteacher) DDSL
Laure McWilliam-Richardson (Assistant Headteacher/SENCo) DDSL
Previn Walrond (School Business Manager) DDSL
Liz Rose (Teacher) DDSL
Kellie English (HLTA) DDSL
Please contact a member of the safeguarding team for support or to report any safeguarding concerns.

