

NEWSLETTER: 4TH OCTOBER 2019

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Dates for the Diary

Every Thursday Birthday Tea – children only

Every Friday Year 4 swimming lessons (13th Sept 2019 to 31 Jan 2020)

- Wed 9th Oct 2019 School photos
- Tues 15th Oct 2019 Reception / KS1 parent's evening
- Tues 15th Oct 2019 4TB parent's evening
- Wed 16th Oct 2019 KS2 parent's evening
- Wed 16th Oct 2019 EY Phonics workshop 9am for Reception parents
- Fri 25th Oct 2019 Last day of term
- Sat 27th Oct 2019 Clocks turn back one hour – daylight savings ends
- Thurs 31st Oct 2019 Halloween
- Mon 4th Nov 2019 Back to school
- Tues 5th Nov 2019 Bonfire Night
- Mon 18th Nov 2019 Flu Vaccinations – PM
- Mon 18th Nov 2019 Vision screening for Reception children

** Please note that dates can be subject to change



Inset days for the rest of the school year

Monday 20th July 2020 School closed

Tuesday 21st July 2020 School closed

Excessive speed on Barrie Crescent

Please ensure that when driving along Barrie Crescent and the surrounding roads, you follow the speed signs which are there to protect our children and pedestrians. We have had many concerned families expressing concern about vehicles going above the speed limit.



Please be nice!

Any abusive, threatening or violent behaviour will not be tolerated at Watermead – either towards staff or parents. Anyone behaving this way will be asked to leave the premises immediately and it could result in being banned from entering the premises and possibly prosecution.

Young Voices

We have had an amazing response for children to join the Young Voices choir this year – we are currently full with 35 children taking part! For the children who are taking part, a letter went home last night about how to buy the parent tickets for the Sheffield Arena to watch the children singing on Thursday 9th January. If your child did not bring a letter home then pop in to the office to pick one up. Tickets cost £20.00 each and need to be handed into the office and paid for by Monday 4th November.



VOICES

After School Clubs

After school clubs are currently running until the end of term, we will be arranging next terms clubs shortly.

All clubs finish at 4.15 pm promptly – please ensure that you are on time to pick up your child.



School dinner payments

School dinners cost £2.30 per day, £11.50 per week. Payments need to be made at the office every **Monday morning**. Please ensure you have the correct money, as change is not always available.

School Photos

The photographer is coming into school on Wednesday 9th October to take individual photos of each child. Family photos (that involve siblings) will be taken in the school hall, 8am – 8.40am. Please ensure you arrive in plenty of time for the family photos as it very busy. Photos will be taken on a first come first served basis.



Change your clocks back on: Saturday 27 October

When do the **clocks go back**? In **2019** British Summer Time will come to an end on **October 27**. The return to the classic GMT means that we all enjoy an extra hour of sleep but at the cost of darker evenings.

Bringing your children to school

It is our school policy that all children are to be brought to school by an adult – the children must be taken around to their classrooms by an adult and not just left at the school gate. Also, children will not be allowed to walk home by themselves, an adult must pick up your child from their designated hometime location.



You said... we did...

| Question | Action | What next? |
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| Can we have after-school clubs which are sports based to help our children become more active? | We now have a range of after school clubs which are sports based. | We are looking to see what other sports activities our children would like to take part in, something they may not have had the opportunity to do before. |

Keeping children safe / Safeguarding

At Oasis Academy Watermead we want all our children to be safe and happy.

We are committed to working in partnership with all our families. If we are worried about health, wellbeing or safety of a child we always put the needs of a child first. We have a legal duty to take action. This might mean talking to a family, contacting MAST or making a referral to Social Care. We only make a referral to Social Care if we are worried a child is at risk of harm. This could be because a child is not being kept safe at home, for example, a young child playing outside on their own.

This might be because a child's needs are not being met, for example, the child does not have enough food or clothes. This might be because a child has a serious injury from home and it is not clear how this happened. This might be because a child has told us that someone is hurting them at home. Any contact with Social Care is to get help for the child and the family.