



# Water Street Weekly



**Autumn Term 2023**

**Monday 23rd October**

**CONTRIBUTE RESPECT ENJOY ASPIRE TEAMWORK ENQUIRE**

**Are we nearly there yet?**

**Almost! As we move towards the end of the first half term, I want to say a massive well done and thank you to everyone at Water Street. It has been an incredible team effort - the children have been brilliant and have shown fantastic learning behaviours, the staff team have been amazing and your support, as parents, has been wonderful.**

**This Friday, the School Council have decided to organise a Halloween Bake Sale to raise money for new playtime equipment. The sale will take place during the school day, with each class being able to visit the hall to make their purchases. Items will cost 50p and children will be able to purchase a maximum of two items, which they can then eat in school. If you are able to send any baked goods in for the sale, I know the councillors would greatly appreciate your support. You can either pass them to your child's class teacher or to the school office.**

**When we come back we have lots to look forward to including Year 6's residential to Bewerley Park, the Image Theatre and the start of a number of new clubs. And, to kick off the festive season, we have the Friends of Water Street's Christmas Fair on the 1st December!**

**We also have Parents' Evenings on the 15th and 22nd November, when we are looking forward to welcoming you into school. Later this week you will receive an email outlining the format of the evening and letting you know that booking is open.**

**Further on in this week's newsletter, you will see that Luke in Year 6 is raising money for Children in Need and LimbPower by climbing Embsay Crag. This is an incredible challenge for Luke to take on and we wish him the very best of luck. Listen out for Luke on Radio York this Wednesday morning at 7.00am and look out for him on Look North next Thursday too.**

**The best part about this half term being slightly longer is that it means both Halloween and Bonfire Night fall within the holiday. I hope you all have a restful week and a brilliant time if you are going out trick or treating or attending a fireworks display.**

**Many thanks**

**Neil Gunstone  
Headteacher**

**WE  
create  
BRIGHT FUTURES**

# Stars of the Week...



Year R: Grace & Spencer

Year 1: Teddy & Rosie

Year 2: Lillian & Florence

Year 3: Lucy R & Cecily

Year 4: Cate & Mati

Year 5: Thomas & Martha

Year 6: George D, Josh H &  
Olivia

*Well done everyone!*

## House Points...

Wensleydale = 141

Ribblesdale = 160

Swaledale = 162

Nidderdale = 144

*Congratulations to  
Swaledale*

## Attendance

**Last week = 97.64%**

**Year to date = 97.06%**

Our next monthly newsletter will be ...  
Monday 6th November

## IMPORTANT

We have a number of children in school with serious nut allergies. Please remember there should be no food in lunch boxes or breaktime snacks that contain nuts. This includes Peanut Butter or Nutella Sandwiches.



**PLEASE REMEMBER**

**WE ARE A NUT  
FREE SCHOOL**





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Monday 23rd October	EYFS and Year 1 Phonics Evening via Zoom - 7.30pm
Wednesday 25th October	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop - Craven Museum (am)
Friday 27th October	School Closes for Half Term Holiday
Monday 6th November	School Re-opens for Pupils Year 6 Depart for Bewerley Park Residential Image Theatre Monthly Newsletter
Wednesday 8th November	Year 6 Return from Bewerley Park Residential
Friday 10th November	Y3 Music Workshop
Wednesday 15th November	Parents' Evening
Friday 17th November	Children in Need Day
Wednesday 22nd November	Parents Evening
Monday 27th November	Staff Training Day - School Closed
Friday 1st December	<b>Friends of Water Street Christmas Fair - 3.45 - 5.45</b> Monthly Newsletter
Tuesday 12th December	KS2 Church Performances
Friday 22nd December	Monthly Newsletter School closes for Christmas Holiday

***There will be other dates that will be added to the diary as the term progresses.  
We will keep you updated!***

***Any new or amended dates added this week are shown in red***



### **Please Do Your Part To Reduce Water Street Traffic!**

As we edge closer to the Winter months, I know that there is greater temptation to drive to school and drop the children off as close as possible.

Elliot Street is a tight road at the best of times and in recent weeks I have had a number of complaints/concerns brought to me regarding the volume of traffic during school drop-off and pick-up times, with particular fears over the safety of children crossing the road. We were very close to an accident the other day with someone backing into a driveway to turn around.

So far, we have not had an accident. However, I worry that if we do not work together on this there will come a day when I am asking for your support not through fear of an accident, but rather because there has been an accident.

To reduce traffic on Elliot Street, I have been informed that the traffic wardens allow parents to park for a short time in Coach Street car park whilst walking to and from school, without requiring a ticket. To help with this, we are in the process of creating a Water Street drop-off badge that you will be able to put in your car window, to make traffic wardens aware that you are on the school run.

I have also been asked to request that Water Street parents avoid using the St Stephen's Church car park.

Thank you for your continued support





# Friends of Water Street Christmas Raffle

**FoWS are currently working away sourcing prizes for the Christmas raffle and we need your help.**

**Are you involved in a business or work for someone that would be willing to support our lovely school by donating a raffle prize?**

If so please speak to your FoWS class representative or FoWS member Jacqueline Baldwin (Y5 & Y1 Mum) who is co-ordinating the prize list.

Alternatively email:  
**[friends@waterstreetschool.org.uk](mailto:friends@waterstreetschool.org.uk)**

More details of this years christmas raffle to be announced soon.



# Luke's Embsay Crag Challenge



Luke is raising money for Children In Need and LimbPower, two charities that have helped and supported him over the past 3 years. Luke will be climbing the 656ft Embsay crag, this will be a huge challenge for him!

All are welcome to join Luke and his family on the day. We would love to see friends and supporters if you could donate to these two charities please head to:

**<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/adam-mortimer-4>**

We are also holding a bake sale in Craven Sailing Club, pop in for some lovely homemade refreshments, before, during, or after, your walk.

**When: Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 10am onwards**



**Where: Start/Finish at Craven Sailing Club, Pasture Rd, Skipton, BD23 6PR.**

