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Newsletter 22nd October 2026

As we reach the end of another incredibly busy and successful half term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of our school. Since September, our children have returned with enthusiasm, positivity and a real determination to learn, and it has been wonderful to see our classrooms so full of curiosity, achievement and joy.

At Waddington and West Bradford CE Primary School, we are proud of our vision to *Encourage, Serve and Respect* within our Christian family and to help every child "shine in the light of Jesus". These values continue to be evident in the way our children learn, behave and care for one another each day.

This half term has been packed with exciting learning opportunities across the curriculum. Children have immersed themselves in new topics, developed their knowledge and skills, and embraced challenges with growing resilience and confidence. Alongside their academic learning, pupils have benefited from a wide range of enrichment opportunities, sporting activities, visits, visitors and experiences that help bring learning to life.

We have continued our commitment to ensuring that every child feels included, valued and celebrated. I am particularly proud of our work in promoting equality, diversity and belonging across our school community. Achieving the Lancashire Equality Mark for Race earlier this term was a significant milestone and reflects the dedication of our staff, governors, pupils and families to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for everyone.

Our focus on wellbeing has also remained a priority. The introduction of zoned play areas at lunchtime has helped create more opportunities for purposeful play, friendship and positive social interaction - with the children's input we trialled different versions of this with their voice at the heart of our decision making. It has been pleasing to see children making the most of these spaces and enjoying a wider range of activities during their lunch break.

As always, our children have represented WWB exceptionally well. Whether in the classroom, on educational visits, during sporting events, through music, worship or community activities, they continue to demonstrate the kindness, respect and excellent attitudes that make us so proud.

We have also been delighted by the support shown for our community initiatives. Our monthly collections for local causes remind us of the importance of serving others and living out our Christian values beyond the school gates. These small acts of generosity make a real difference and help our children understand the positive impact they can have on the lives of others.

Thank you for the many ways in which you support the school. Strong partnerships between home and school are vital, and we greatly value the encouragement, trust and commitment shown by our families. Together, we continue to create the very best opportunities for our children.

I would also like to thank our dedicated staff team and governors, whose hard work, care and commitment ensure that WWB remains a nurturing, ambitious and happy place for every child.

I hope you all enjoy a restful and enjoyable half-term break with your families.

My very best wishes,

Mrs White

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Admissions Policy Consultation (September 2028 Intake)

Waddington and West Bradford C.E. Primary School is consulting on its Admission Arrangements for September 2028.

There are **no proposed changes** to the school's admission arrangements. However, admission authorities are required by law to consult on their admission arrangements at least once every seven years, even where no changes are being made.

The consultation period will run from:

Tuesday 20th October 2026 to Wednesday 2nd December 2026

The proposed admissions policy is available on the school website - Waddington and West Bradford Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School - Admissions.

During this time, parents, carers, governors, staff and other interested parties are invited to review the proposed admission arrangements and provide any comments, thoughts or opinions.

If you would like to make a representation as part of this consultation, please submit your comments in writing to:

office@wwb.lancs.sch.uk

We welcome and value all feedback received during the consultation period.

Reminders:

- School **re-opens** on Monday 2nd November.
- November **food bank collections** - LAUNDRY DETERGENT

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Dates for Diaries - Autumn 2

Mon 2nd Nov	School Re-Opens RAINBOW afternoon 1.15pm-2.45pm - all children to wear their rainbow colour PE tops.
Tues 3rd Nov	9am Mad Science Assembly
Tues 10th Nov	Year 6 STEM Trip to Blackburn
Wed 11th Nov	Armistice Day Year 5 at Waddow Hall - please drop your children there and pick them up from there.
Tues 17th Nov	Year 5 Swimming PM
Wed 18th Nov	Book Fair being delivered
Thurs 19th Nov	Year 6 parents' meetings Year 5 trip to Lancaster museum all day
Fri 20th Nov	Children in Need day - wear yellow or spots
Mon 23rd Nov	Year 1 parents' meetings Year 2 parents' meetings
Tues 24th Nov	Year 5 Swimming Reception parents' meetings
Wed 25th Nov	Year 3 parents' meetings
Thurs 26th Nov	Year 5 parents' meetings Year 4 parents' meetings
Tues 1st Dec	Year 5 Swimming PM
Wed 2nd Dec	Non-Uniform day for Jarola
Fri 4th Dec	Panto at The Grand in the morning Christmas Fair PM
Mon 7th Dec	2pm Woodwind Concert
Tues 8th Dec	Year 5 Swimming PM
Wed 9th Dec	10am - Year 1 & 2 Christmas Play 2pm - Year 1 & 2 Christmas Play 1pm - Choir at Methodist church to sing
Thurs 10th Dec	Triathlon Day with Trikidz - all classes to wear PE kit 10am - Choir to the Almshouses
Fri 11th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day Virtual Santa Dash 2pm - Reception Christmas Stay and Play
Mon 14th Dec	Year 6 STEM event PM

Tues 15th Dec	10am - Rock Steady Concert
Wed 16th Dec	10am - EYFS Nativity 2pm - EYFS Nativity 6pm - Carols by Candlelight at church for KS2
Thurs 17th Dec	Santa's Grotto - PTA Christmas Dinner Christmas Parties in PM in classes
Fri 18th Dec	Special Certificate Assembly School closes for Christmas

Forest School

Each Class from Year 1 upwards will have half a term of Forest School with Mrs Burcher. The timetable is below and it will take place on a Friday afternoon.

Autumn 2	Year 4
Spring 1	Year 2
Spring 2	Year 3
Summer 1	Year 1
Summer 2	Year 6

PE Days for Autumn 2

Class	PE DAYS
Pre-School	Tuesday and Wednesday
Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Monday and Tuesday
Year 2	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 3	Monday and Thursday
Year 4	Tuesday Friday - Forest School
Year 5	Swimming - Tuesday Thursday
Year 6	Monday and Wednesday

RECYCLING

Do you know that we recycle batteries at school and they are collected by Lancashire County Council?

If you want to send in any used batteries, please just send them into school and ask your child to pass them onto a staff member.

SENCO

Mrs Katherine Harrington is our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, supported monthly by Kate Taylor, Associate SENDco.

You can contact Mrs Harrington via the school office or via email on senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk

Attendance

Week commencing 19th October 2026

We are aiming for every child/class to have at least 96% attendance

Class	Attendance
Reception	98.3%
Year 1	92.9%
Year 2	94.9%
Year 3	94.6%
Year 4	94.2%
Year 5	90.3%
Year 6	93.5%

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Safeguarding Updates

The **Designated Safeguarding Lead** (DSL) in school is: Mrs White

The **Deputy DSLs** are: Mr Stell, Mrs Harrington and now also Mrs Clarkson

Please see our Safeguarding Page on the school website for more information:

https://www.wwb.lancs.sch.uk/page/?title=Safeguarding&pid=47

CONTACT US



Please always request to speak to your child's class teacher as first point of contact if you have a query or concern. If it cannot be resolved with the teacher, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will aim to make themselves available to you as soon as possible.

School contact details: 01200 422915 or office@wwb.lancs.sch.uk

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