



Newsletter

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Holiday Dates:

First day of Autumn term

Monday 10/9/18
(Nursery)

Autumn Half Term

22/10/18 – 26/10/18

Non Pupil Day

26/11/18

Christmas Holiday

24/12/18 – 4/1/19

First day of Spring Term:

7/1/19

Spring half term:

18 – 22/2/19

Easter holiday:

8/4/19 - 22/4/19 (back on
23/4/19)

May half term:

27 – 31 5/19

Last day of summer term:

19/7/19

Event Dates

Chid Assault Prevention workshop:

27/9/18 @ 1.30 – 3.00

Y5 & 6 Residential:

15/10/18 – 17/10/18

Parent evening

18/10/18

Firework Evening

Welcome Back

Welcome back to everyone! I hope that you have managed to have a great summer holiday and a chance to have some quality time together as a family.

We are now starting a new school year and already the term looks very busy with many exciting opportunities for you and your children to get involved. There has been a real buzz around the school this week with the children settling into their new learning journeys.

This week we welcomed the children into our reception class. They have all settled really well and are enjoying making lots of new friends. The children have been busy doing lots of activities and have been onto the big playground where they have been able to play with their big brothers and sisters. A wonderful first week!



Uniform

It is lovely to see all the children back at school in their smart new uniforms - this brings a real sense of belonging to the Watcombe team. Please can I remind you to put names into the uniform to try and help relocation should it be lost. Please can you make sure that the children have a PE kit in school throughout the week so that they are able to access their PE sessions safely.



Learning Journeys

The older classes: Hermit crabs, Starfish and Sharks all know that the first topic of this half term will be art based but don't know the exact details yet. A letter has gone home asking that the children come in pyjamas next Monday for a 'bedtime story' themed day where the topic challenge will be revealed!

In the middle of the school the Seahorse and Lobster classes, are going to be learning about the Rotten Romans. On Thursday, we received a letter from an historian asking the classes for their help. He is going to be sending us Roman artefacts and has asked us to research about their way of life and find out about one of the strongest armies in the world! The children are very enthusiastic about becoming historians for the next half term!



In Key Stage 1 (Dolphins & Seals) the learning journey for the first half of the Autumn Term is called 'Our Cafe'. We will be making our own recipes using healthy food to sell in our class cafe. We hope to be visiting the Yellow Frog cafe at Coombe Pafford School to investigate how a cafe works. After that we will be learning about food hygiene practices and cooking healthy recipes to sell. We hope to be opening our cafe just before half term when you will be invited to try our amazing creations! (You could help us with this topic by cooking with your child at home, helping to deliver the message of food hygiene and healthy eating.)



School / class blogs

Don't forget you can keep up with your child's learning on the school and class blogs: <http://www.watcombe-primary.torbay.sch.uk/>