



The Collegiate Trust
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Dear Parents,

19th October 2018

Newsletter 4

This is the last week of term! The staff have worked extremely hard this half term. Most of the children have now settled into the daily routines of school life. There is a positive attitude to learning and a strong sense of collaboration across the school. Thank you to everyone who came to the harvest assembly today and for so many donations to Open House.

Parents Evenings – Tuesday 30th & Wednesday 31st October

Can I remind parents to sign up to see your child's teacher to discuss the progress after the half term. This can be booked via SchoolPing or by coming to the office where the staff will help you.

New website

Over the next few weeks we will have a brand new web site. This has been designed together with the Collegiate Trust and we hope it will allow you easy access to news, information and documents. Please keep a look out!

Parent Pay

We are introducing an online payment system at Waterfield called ParentPay. This will give you the option to pay online at a time that suits you. With ParentPay you don't need to queue up at the school office with cash or expect your child to carry envelopes to school with consent forms and money. Please look out for the activation letter soon.

Living Streets – Walk to School

On Wednesday morning we were visited by Bettina and Strider from Living Streets. They are an organisation that encourages sustainable transport. We discussed the benefits of walking to school for ourselves and also the environment we live in. We are going to be talking part in their WOW initiative this year celebrating sustainable methods of getting to school and earning badges at the same time. Look out for the badges after half term.

School Milk

We like to promote drinking milk at Waterfield Primary School. Milk is the ideal mid-morning drink for your child and for many it's absolutely free. FREE for children under the age of five. FREE to children receiving or entitled to free school meals and subsidised for all other children in primary education. Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk. To register your child for school milk, please visit <https://www.coolmilk.com/register>

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Gardening Club

The children who attend Gardening Club have been busy harvesting carrots, onions and beetroots! They shared them out between the members of gardening club and the staff. All the produce has been described as 'Sweet' and 'delicious'. We are very proud of our gardening club team and their collaboration skills.

Sports News

In this first half term of the year Waterfield has already been represented by year 4, 5 and 6 in both rugby and football.

A group of year 4 boys and girls collaborated to learn how to play tag rugby. Year 5 and 6 followed and were able to show how important team work is to improving their rugby abilities. Finally, some year 5 and 6 boys represented the school in the football District Cup. All of the children set a fantastic example and we look forward to involving as many children as possible in sporting events this year.

Guitar and Vocal lessons now available at Waterfield school!

Learning an instrument can be a fantastic way to help with confidence, social skills and academic development.

Spaces are now available on Thursdays if your child is interested in starting lessons, it is recommended to contact SAM as soon as possible on 01273 465 122 or schools@sussexmusic.com to ensure your child is reserved a space.

Lessons take place during school hours at Waterfield Primary and are available as one-to-one or paired starting next half term.

One-to-one 30min lessons are £14.50 per lesson and paired 30min lessons are £10.50 per lesson per person. Lessons are paid for in half-termly blocks.

If interested then SAM's website is here www.sussexmusic.com/schools to find out more information.

The teachers are experienced and passionate real-life musicians; lessons are fun and engaging; and parents/guardians are kept up to date with weekly online feedback.

SAM is Ofsted registered and accepts payment via Childcare Vouchers, thus helping to keep the price of lessons to a minimum.

If you are already on our waiting list then do not worry, you have a space for next half term!

A sad farewell

Today we say "farewell" to Mrs Madigan who will be leaving us for pastures new! I'm sure you will join with me in wishing her good luck and best wishes for the future.

Have a good break,
Miss Gilzene.



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PTA News

Thank you to all of the children who attended the Autumn disco! We hope the children had fun. It was certainly hot and sweaty and the dance moves were something to behold!

We managed to raise £387 this time around which is a wonderful contribution to our ongoing efforts.

I will give a summary of what the P.T.A with the help of the Waterfield parents and carers have raised since the Christmas Fair last year.

We had a grant from the Co-op - whereby every time a member swipes their card when shopping, it adds to a running total. We received two payments totalling £1,349!!! - we are just about to start ordering the essential kit and equipment to allow the Forest School to be set up.

March 2018 - Mother's Day Gifts £230

May 2018 - Royal Wedding Cake Sale £97

June 2018 - Father's Day Gifts -£173

July 2018 - Summer Discos £322

Ice Pop and drink sales £261

Pre-loved Uniform Sales - £26

We have agreed to make a donation to the school for them to be able to buy a heavy duty laminator.

If anybody has any fundraising suggestions or would like an input on what the children can make for Mother's/Father's next year then please contact the P.T.A

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Have a great half term.

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