



Waterloo Lodge
School

Waterloo Lodge School Vision

We believe that the potential for future development of the pupils placed within Waterloo Lodge School rests primarily within the individual child, but this 'potential' is encouraged to fulfilment through the supporting work of all the dedicated teachers and staff working in partnership with parents and carers.

Executive Head Teacher – Mrs Rigby

As parents and carers, you have chosen for your child to be here at Waterloo Lodge School because you believe it is right for them – thank you for believing in us and for trusting us with your most precious possession, your child. Our commitment back to you is to ensure your child's time at Waterloo Lodge School is right for them and by that, I mean for them as an individual – every child is known to all our staff for who they are and what they do. Their individual strengths and talents are spotted and responded to, as are their areas for development and support. This is what we pride ourselves on and know we do well.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support in making this such a wonderful school.

Calendar Dates for the Spring Term:

6th – 10th January 2025:
Twelfth Night and Epiphany

13th – 17th January 2025:
Lohri Festival

20th – 24th January 2025:
Red Squirrel Appreciation

27th – 31st January 2025:
Chinese New Year

3rd -7th February 2025:
Children's Mental Health Week/Mock Exam Week

10th – 14th February 2025:
Apprenticeship Week

14th November 2025
School closes at 1.30pm

17th – 21st February 2025:
Half Term – School is closed

24th February 2025
School reopens at 8.40am

24th – 28th February 2025:
Eating Disorder Awareness Week

3rd – 7th March 2025:
World Wildlife Week
World Book Day 6th March

10th – 14th March 2025:
Careers Week

17th – 21st March 2025:
Sign Language Week

24th – 28th March 2025:
Scandinavian Week

31st March – 4th April 2025:
Developmental Disabilities Awareness

7th – 10th April 2025:
Autism Acceptance Week

10th April 2025
School closes at 2.30pm

11th April 2025:
Inset Day – School is closed to pupils

14th – 25th April 2025:
School closed for Easter

Mock Exam Timetable

Monday 3rd February – 9am:
Food Preparation and Nutrition

Monday 3rd February – 1pm:
Science Paper 1 (Biology)

Tuesday 4th February – 9am
Maths Paper 1 (Non – Calculator)

Tuesday 4th February 1pm:
RE Paper 1

Wednesday 5th February – 9am:
Maths Paper 2 (Calculator)

Wednesday 5th February – 1pm
English Paper 1

Thursday 6th February – 9am
Science Paper 1 (Chemistry)

Thursday 6th February – 1pm
History/Geography

Attendance

Pupils' attendance in school is arguably one of the most important indicators of their school success.

Your child cannot learn when they are absent. Pupils who attend school regularly improve their chances of being academically successful.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please ensure you ring the School Office on: 01257 230894 between 8am and 8.30am each day of their absence.

If your child has an appointment, please send a copy of their appointment card or letter to:
admin@waterloolodge.co.uk

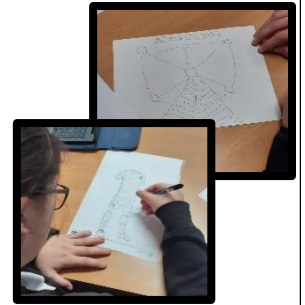
Christmas Fayre

Saturday the 23rd November 2024 was Waterloo Lodge School's first Christmas fayre. It was a buzz with festive cheer, handmade crafts, baked goods, Christmas crafts and holiday treats. A twinkling path led to Santa's Grotto, where excited children could share their wishes with Santa and his Elf. Visitors stepped into Christmas throughout the day and Waterloo Lodge School's fayre raised an impressive £635 for their chosen charity, North West Air Ambulance.



Belgium Week

During the Autumn Term form groups engaged in Belgium week. School dinners were based around Belgium's cuisines, and pupils learnt about Belgium's traditions and Landmarks to further their cultural capital and understanding of different cultures. Pupils took part in activities such as drawing and creating Sinterklass and Atomium and did research to complete quizzes.



Careers Week

During Waterloo Lodge School careers week pupils participate in careers advice sessions with their Future's Advisor. They were able to take part in volunteering in the local community and had a visit from a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Ambassador who brought in Lego and sparked conversations around STEM and the careers that are available.



Bolton Theatre

Waterloo Lodge School organised two exciting visits to watch a local performance of *Jungle Book* at the Octagon Theatre in Bolton. The experience was magical, from the moment the curtains rose to the stunning jungle scenery and vibrant characters coming to life on stage. Pupils were thrilled to see Mowgli's adventures, Baloo's cheerful antics, and Shere Khan's menacing presence. The lively songs had everyone dancing along to the 'Jungle Jive'. The colourful costumes and realistic set design captivated our imaginations making us all feel like part of the jungle. It was an unforgettable experience that blended entertainment with valuable life lessons.



CSI Day

Waterloo Lodge School pupils were recently given an exciting opportunity to learn about crime-solving careers thanks to local Police Officers. The Officers guided the pupils through forensic techniques, explained the science behind fingerprinting, and provided insight into various aspects of Police work, from traffic safety to tackling serious crimes. It was a valuable and informative experience for all involved.



Examination Preparation

Encourage your child to take some time after revising to wind down, work with them to develop relaxation techniques. Also encourage your child to take revision breaks, make sure they are eating and drinking at regular intervals. Find a balance between studying and doing things they find enjoyable and relaxing. Anxiety is often worst at night, and this means it is useful to encourage a good bedtime routine. Set aside one to one time so that they can talk to you about any worries. Let them know their feelings are valid and normal but also offer support and solutions where possible. Reassure them and reinforce that you are and will be proud of them regardless.