

## **Waterloo Lodge School Vision**

Our mission is to provide a supportive environment where every individual is treated with dignity and respect. Our core values include:

Open & Honest – being fair, transparent and respectful

Dream Big – encouraging positive change, aspiration and achievement

Deliver Promises – being accountable, responsible and committed

Be Inclusive – Valuing diversity and creating safe, nurturing environments

## **Executive Head Teacher Mrs Rigby**

The end of the Spring Term was vibrant and successful. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and involvement in school life. It was a Spring Term filled with growth, achievement and community spirit. Our pupils have continued to shine both in and out of the classroom. None of this would be possible without the dedication of our staff team. I am incredibly proud of the commitment shown across our school community and look forward to building on this momentum in the Summer Term.

# **Calendar Dates for the Spring Term:**

28<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025:

World Art Week

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025:

Waterloo Lodge School Open Day

5<sup>th</sup> May 2025:

Bank Holiday

6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025:

Local History Month

12th - 16th May 2025:

Tourette Awareness Week

19th - 23rd May 2025:

National Smile Month

26th May - 30th May 2025:

Half Term

2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025:

Butterfly Education and Awareness Week

9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025:

Healthy Eating Week

16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025:

Water Safety Week

23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025:

World Giraffe Day/World Wellbeing Week

30th June - 4th July 2025:

Volunteer Week

7<sup>th</sup> July – 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025:

Peruvian Week

14th - 18th July 2025:

Malala Day / Bastille Day

21st - 23rd July 2025:

International Day of Friendships

24th July 2025:

School closes at 12:00pm for Summer

### **Exam Timetable**

Year 11 and Year 12 only

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May - 9am:

RE Paper 1

Tuesday 13th May - 1pm:

Biology Paper 1

Wednesday 14th May - 9am:

Geography

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May – 9am

Maths Paper 1 (non -calculator)

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May – 9am

Chemistry Paper 1

Wednesday 21st May - 1pm

Re Paper 2

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 9am

English Paper 1

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – 9am

Maths Paper 2 (calculator)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June – 9am

English Paper 2

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 1pm - 1pm

Geography

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June – 9am

Biology Paper 2

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – 9am

Maths Paper 3 (calculator)

Thursday 12th June - 9am

Geography

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June – 9am

Chemistry Paper 2

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm

Food Preparation and Nutrition

## Attendance

Attendance in school arguably one of the most important indicators of 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 the appointment/invite to: <a href="mailto:admin@waterloolodge.co.uk">admin@waterloolodge.co.uk</a>

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#### **Easter Fun Day**

Pupils at Waterloo Lodge School have had a fun packed Easter Day to celebrate the end of the term. Pupils took part in carousel activities which including craft activities, the immersive room and making edible easter nests. Pupils also took part in an easter egg hunt where they worked together to find clues to find the prize. Pupils were entered into a raffle in which 4 lucky winners won an easter hamper. Pupils also took great pride in visiting Buckshaw Retirement Village and Help the Homeless to deliver hampers.



## **Spring Bulbs**

Pupils at Waterloo Lodge grew their own daffodil bulb pots in the horticulture area. Pupils then spent the day visiting various organisations, Brothers of Charity, the local foodbank and Buckshaw Retirement Home. Our staff and pupils also walked to hand deliver the Easter gifts to local neighbours. The Pupils were a credit to our school and did a fantastic job representing Waterloo Lodge. Neighbours loved the gifts and talking to our pupils. This was a fantastic day of getting out into our local community and building strong relationships with businesses, charities and neighbours.



### **World Book Day**

World Book Day is a wonderful celebration of reading, creativity, and storytelling. Both staff and pupils joined in the fun by dressing up as their favourite book characters, bringing stories to life in a colourful and exciting way. During form time, pupils took part in designing their own National Book Token. World Book Day is a fantastic way to encourage a love of reading and inspire young people to explore books.



# **QT Robot**

The Explorers class have enjoyed meeting QT Robot. QT Robot is our new learning tool to support students with their communication and social targets. Pupils practiced taking turns and interacting the QT Robot. They had to look at his facial expressions to guess his emotion. Pupils were then challenged to also guess his emotion by looking at QT Robot's body language. The QT Robot is as a fantastic way for pupils to work on their EHCP targets and social skills.





#### **Engineering for Explorers**

The Explorers class received a visit from local engineering company AE Yates. Pupils loved listening to the story 'When I grow up' and then became engineers themselves and created bridges and construction vehicles out of Lego. Pupils then got to explore how diggers work in the sand activity an then got to experience sitting in the driving seat of a digger.



### **Safer Internet Day**

Safer Internet Day featured activities that empowered students with digital safety skills. Pupils were taught about how to recognise cyberbullying, phishing, and even AI scams. Pupils developed practical skills for safe navigation of the digital world and learned to cultivate respectful, secure online communities while staying vigilant against emerging cyber risks.

Below is a short message from the DSL;

Going online is a huge part of most young people's lives so it's important to talk to them about online safety, listen to what they have to say and show interest, this will also encourage them to come to you if they ever need support or advice. Click on the links below for more information.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety Parental controls and privacy settings guides | Internet Matters

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