Dear Families.

As the weather gets colder and the nights draw in, it's more important than ever that we work together to keep our children safe before and after school.

Some of our children in Y5 and Y6 may wish to develop their independence and make the journey to and from school by themselves. It is important that this is managed safely.



To this end, we have created a 'Walking To/From School Alone' policy, which you can read via this link: <a href="https://www.watermoorprimary-dgat.org.uk/">https://www.watermoorprimary-dgat.org.uk/</a> files/ugd/20b562\_bf19ce9282e540e88476edae83bc8557.pdf

We invite parents and carers to read the policy carefully and respond during a consultation period which will start today (Friday 13th October) and end on Friday 20th October.

On Friday 20th October at 9:00am, there will be tea, coffee and Q&A with Mrs Smith in the main entrance foyer, where you can ask any questions or about keeping your child safe before and after school. I have also invited a PSCO to attend if they are available. If you cannot attend this session, please feel free to submit questions/comments via admin@watermoor.gloucs.sch.uk

After this period of consultation, any parents/carers who wish for their child to walk to/from school will complete a consent form confirming that they understand their responsibilities and have put in place all necessary arrangements. The form will be sent out on Monday 23rd October.

#### **Key Updates:**



We are sorry to report that cases of nits have been reported by some of our parents/ carers. Please check your child's hair and treat as necessary. For more information about identifying nits and how to treat them, please follow this link: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/</a>

Save the date: Parents' Evenings will be held on **Monday 13th** and **Wednesday 15th**November. A ParentMail will be sent out next week with details

about how to book an appointment with your child's class teacher.

Thursday 26th October is a non-uniform day. Rather than any monetary donations, FOW are asking for children to bring in some chocolate to put towards a 'giant chocolate raffle' for the Christmas Fair!

Due to unforeseen circumstances, it hasn't yet been possible to gather your ideas for reading incentives on the playground... sincere

apologies! We aim to be out and about next week in the courtyard area. Please do come along and share your thoughts.

### Key events next week:

Mon I 6th Oct	
Tues 17th Oct	
Wed 18th Oct	Y6 swimming  Prospective parent tours for children starting Reception Sept 24—9:30 and 2:00
Thurs 19th Oct	Harvest Service in school hall 10:15am— Y3 families invited
Fri 20th Oct	

Best wishes for a peaceful weekend,

Mrs Lois Smith Headteacher



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## Our Value Award winners this week:

Reception: Daniel

YI: Bethany

Y2: Daisy M

**Y3**: Pippa

Y4: Matthew

Y5: Johnny

Y6: Amelia





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'The smallest of all seeds... grow and become the largest of plants' The Parable of the Mustard Seed

# Our Christian Values

Hope

Compassion

Courage

**Forgiveness** 

Respect

Responsibility

