

Dear Families,

What a fantastic first week back! The sun has been shining and we've all been busy growing and flourishing in our new classes.



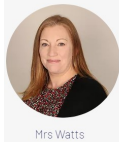
Meet the Teacher events are taking place on **Wednesday 13th September** from **3:30pm—4:00pm**. Please wait outside your child's class gate, through which you will enter after everyone has been picked up. Your child is welcome to join you for a short presentation from the teacher, followed by an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. If you are not able to attend, never fear, slides from the meeting will be shared with all parents/carers via Parent Mail afterwards.



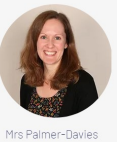
A huge well done to our new Reception class, who have settled into school life at Watermoor with ease! We are unbelievably proud of the courage they have already shown; they are growing from small seeds already.

Our pre-schoolers have also enjoyed returning to Fireflies; they've had a surprise in the form of a huge reading boat in their outdoor area! An exciting place to go on reading adventures together...

Mrs Richmond is kindly requesting donations of any children's shoes size 6, 7 or 8 to use as spares in the setting. If you have some spare, please pop them into the main office. Thank you in advance!



Mrs Watts



Mrs Palmer-Davies

There has been a slight change to our staffing this term. We are delighted to report that Mrs Palmer-Davies will be working full-time as a TA in Y5 this year, and Mrs Watts will be joining the Y2 team on Mondays and providing cover in Fireflies pre-school.



Our new website is live! It is accessible via this link— <https://www.watermoorprimary-dgat.org.uk/> It is by no means the finished article and will be updated regularly with policies, term dates, dinner menus and helpful info about your child's learning and the curriculum; a one-stop shop for families looking to find out about school life at Watermoor!

I am currently in discussion with Wix, the website host, to sync our school events calendar so that you can check in advance for key dates for the diary. If you have any other suggestions as to what you would like to find on the website, please add your comment here: <https://forms.office.com/e/SSXg9XgdVJ>

We are putting our finishing touches to our Watermoor Family Handbook, which will be shared with families next week. It will provide you with guidance, signpost you to links to support your child's learning and wellbeing and will also contain our home-school agreement, which will set out how children, staff and parents/carers will work in partnership to grow 'from the smallest of seeds... to the largest of plants' together. Watch this space!



Dan the Skipping Man was a resounding hit today: the children have had a great time learning new skills! If your child would like to keep practising, there are tutorial videos available on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/dantheskippingman> Keep an eye out for photos in our WOW edition at the end of the month! A reminder to send PE kits back into school on Monday please.

#### Key events next week:

<b>Mon 11th Sept</b>	Reception in full-time
<b>Tues 12th Sept</b>	
<b>Wed 13th Sept</b>	Meet the Teacher 3:30-4:00pm
<b>Thurs 14th Sept</b>	
<b>Fri 15th Sept</b>	

Best wishes for a peaceful weekend,

Mrs Lois Smith  
Headteacher

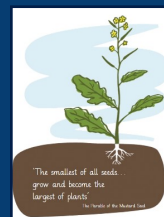
#### Our Vision Award winners this week:

- Y1:** Ben
- Y2:** Jo
- Y3:** Ethel
- Y4:** Maddie
- Y5:** Alice
- Y6:** Isla P



# Newsletter

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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



THE DIOCESE  
OF GLOUCESTER  
ACADEMIES TRUST  
unlocking potential

Enabling all to flourish

