



Watermill School



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely term with so many exciting activities taking place in our classrooms. Our theme for the term has been Food Glorious Food which has enabled us to complete lots of visits to shops and cafes building our knowledge of local communities and shopping and money skills.

Pupils have also been creating delicious food in school and using books such as Handa's surprise, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and The Tiger who came to Tea.

We have our Christmas HAF party this year on Saturday 20th December at Watermill. Please see the details over the page and book on. Any problems let Sue know in the office and we can sort out the booking for you.

We are thrilled that due to the efforts of our parent group and the additional support of Phil 'The Power' Taylor we have been able to raise money towards residential visits and our minibus. Olivia has shared further details over the page.

Don't forget to let your class teacher know if you are coming to the Christmas performances.

We have special events for the children including a visit from Santa and the Key Strings musical group to share Christmas songs.

We hope you have a lovely Christmas holiday and look forward to seeing you back on the 5th January 2026.

Weather:

If we have any severe issues this winter with the weather and need to close the school, we will communicate this through our website: watermillschool.co.uk and through class dojo. As you know we will do our best to stay open, but we do have to risk assess both the local roads and the school site.

Jen Lomas
Head Teacher

Watermill Christmas Performances

Children have been busy rehearsing and costumes have been created! The performances are on Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th December 2025. **Letters have been sent out to let you know when your child's performance is.** It promises to be lots of fun. There will also be some stalls alongside run by the PTFA.



Dates for your diary

Thursday 18th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner day

Christmas performances

Wednesday 10th
December

Thursday 11th December

Friday 19th December

School closes at 14.30 for
the Christmas break

HAF Christmas Event

Saturday 20th December
10am -1pm

Monday 5th January 2026

School opens at 8.30am
for pupils.



If you have any concerns
about your child's
attendance please contact
school on 01782 883737



Class MM have been to Pizza Express and Stanley Head this half term and have been to the church to decorate the tree for the tree festival.



Children in Need

Thankyou so much for all your donations. We collected an amazing **£195.31** for Children in Need



#HAF2025 **HAF** Holiday Activities and Food - Stoke-on-Trent

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SEND Friendly Christmas Experience

WATERMILL SCHOOL

All Watermill Students & Siblings Welcome
All children must be supervised by parent/caror

Meet Santa - Sensory Activities Plus Entertainment

Sat 20th Dec 10am-1pm
Watermill School, Turnhurst Road, ST6 6JZ

Scan to Book

Book your place at the site below
<https://eequ.org/book/watermill-christmas-family-event-with-watermill-school-22521>

Fund Raising

❁ Huge Thanks to Our Amazing Supporters! ❁

We're thrilled to share the news that, thanks to a generous donation from a number of local companies and a worldwide company called Zara, the funds will be used for our minibus, playground equipment and residential holiday ❁

The residential trip means so much, it's a chance for our young people to step outside their everyday routines, build confidence, and experience adventure in a safe and supportive environment.

Friends of Watermill have also been moved and delighted by the efforts of Phil "The Power" Taylor to make sure this trip of a lifetime can happen. Our family group have worked tirelessly over the years to make sure our pupils have access to the best of everything and Phil's personal generosity and huge circle of famous friends have seen a boost to fundraising that we could only have dreamed of until now.

Moments like these don't just happen. They're made possible by people who care.

The Christmas Tractor Run is on Saturday 13th December. It will be going past Tesco, down Biddulph Road, Mow Cop and the surrounding areas. Donations go to Royal Stoke.