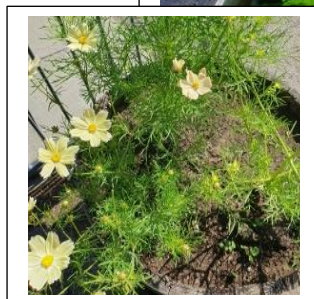
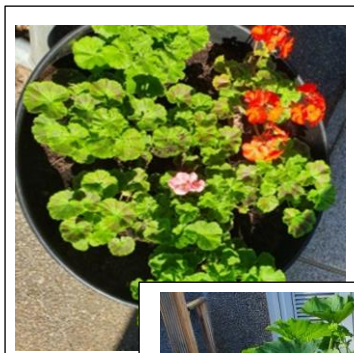




Friday Flyer!

Dear Walter Families,

We have had another wonderful week in school; all the children have been working so hard and showing us how much they have learned whilst they have been at home. We have evidence of some very successful home learning; well done everyone. The sun has been shining brightly so we have had an army of garden waterers making sure our plants are thriving, as you can see. Sadly there won't be a Wokingham in Bloom Competition this year; but if there was I am sure we would win! Thank you so much to Mrs Adams-Price and her family for working so hard in the garden to make it so beautiful. The vegetables and herbs were brought in a few months ago by Ethan D. and his mummy, we are looking forward to our first crop of courgettes.



A Bee Bath

We have a bee bath and a bug hotel in our school garden and we have planted many plants to encourage bees, bugs and butterflies to support pollination and our environment. You could make a bee bath in your own garden if you have one; they are simply a saucer (usually for a plant pot) some stones and fresh water. This is ours: we have planted lavender next to it as bees love lavender. They also love chives and wild flowers. Follow this link to find out more: <https://friendsoftheearth.uk/bees/gardening-bees?gclid=CjwKCAjwltH3BRB6EiwAhj0IUEPyGchf4bETok3VTnLx7fgFCWWTPVV0k1PbudU1aps7y4cqclSH9>

[RoCauwQAvD_BwE](#) If you make a bee bath I would love to see a photograph of it: we might be the most bee friendly school in Wokingham!



We have been learning all about 'mini-beasts' this week; here are some pictures of our work – you might like to copy some of our ideas. I particularly like the caterpillars!



A peg dragonfly

A stained glass butterfly

A pom-pom caterpillar!

September 2020

You may have heard that the government is hopeful that all children will return to school full time in September, and we at Walter cannot wait. All preparations are in place and we will follow any 'bubble' guidelines that we are instructed to. We will be welcoming almost 100 new children into Robin, Dove, Magpie and Woodpecker and will be creating a larger new classroom over the summer so that we have the capacity to enable all our children to learn and have fun safely. Obviously all arrangements will be subject to change depending on the government's guidance but we are crossing our fingers and toes. All our classrooms will have lovely new resources and furniture to enhance our beautiful learning environment further. I will post pictures before we start back so the children know what their classrooms look like.

School Reports

Our annual reports for your children are going to be emailed to you next week; they will not all be sent on the same day due to the number of attachments. You will be offered the opportunity to have a virtual meeting with your child's teacher. If you require a paper copy of child's report, please contact the school office on admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk and we will print one off for you to collect from school.

Pupil Premium Funding

If you are experiencing financial hardship, please get in touch with us; we may be able to help. If you have had a change to your circumstances, your child may be entitled to Pupil Premium Funding? If you contact Mrs Janes or Mrs Hemmings in the office they will be

able to send you a form to complete. If your family are eligible, we will be able to register you for the Free School Meals Voucher Scheme which is £15 per child.

You may be able to claim if you are in receipt of:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

The Pupil Premium for 2019 to 2020 will include pupils recorded in the January 2019 school census who are known to have been eligible for FSM since May 2013, as well as those first known to be eligible at January 2019.

There is always a very quick response and when you hear back we should be able to register you in time for the summer holidays.

Please also remember that we can help you in getting food parcels from Wokingham Food Bank so please speak in confidence to the staff in the school office on admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk or 0118 9780825.

Home Learning

I have seen some amazing home learning this week from children of all ages; it will be really hard to concentrate in the sunny weather especially if the park, garden or paddling pool is calling! Please remember that exploring outside, running, climbing, scooting and pedalling are all part of learning too, as is playing with sand and water, hunting for bugs and planting seeds. At school we often take our learning outside, sharing our books in the shade, we are having outside phonics lessons at the moment.

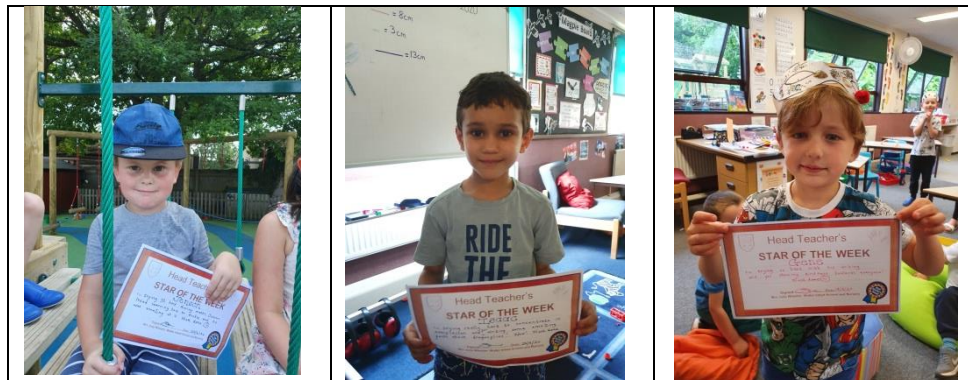
All of the Foundation Stage children in green bubble were taking a break in the shady part of our garden to cool down as the classrooms can get so hot!



Don't forget to visit our home learning link on our website; we really welcome your feedback so please get in touch.

Stars of the Week

We have three new stars of the week; Jenson has become an incredible doubling champion, Isaac is now an expert on dragonflies and Jordan made the most amazing water melon super hero!



Look at this incredible collection of fruit and vegetable super heroes!

The displays in school are beautiful; I am so sorry you can't see them for yourselves but here are two that we have this week: can you spot anyone you know?



Summer Holidays

Our school will be closed for all children from 17th July 2020 to 3rd September 2020 for the school summer holidays. We will be having building work done to improve our learning environment, including a new classroom for Magpie (as mentioned above). I have made some enquiries about summer schools and camps and I am waiting to hear back from Energy Kidz; as soon as I do I will let you know. We are hoping to have I-Rock summer camp here for one week if gatherings and distancing restrictions allow. For the last two school holidays some of our Key Worker children attended Funtastic Kids at Emmbrook Infant School; I am attaching the information for you, we have been told that spaces are going fast.

Funtastic Kids

Summer Holiday Camps

Dependable childcare in a safe environment

Open Monday 20th July - Wednesday 2nd September

9:30am - 3:30pm: £21.50 Sibling: £17
8am - 6pm: £30 Sibling: £23.50

Additional hour options:
8:30am - 9:30am and 3:30pm - 4:30pm
£3 per child per hour.

Breakfast and tea option
Ofsted registered
Ages 4-15

www.funtastickids.co.uk - bookings@funtastickids.co.uk - 07715643412

Leavers Hoodies

If you would like to order a Year 2 Leavers Hoodie, please follow this link to the school gateway. https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website/online_payment_information/10191

Please could you also email Mrs Janes and let her know which size you require (admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk)

Mrs Cole from our PTA has kindly extended the closing date for ordering to 3:00 pm tomorrow, after that it will be too late. If you would like one but are unable to afford one, please contact me or Mrs Janes for a strictly confidential conversation (allowing time for us to order). This is the first time we have had leavers hoodies and we are selling them at the cost price of £13:50.



And finally....

You may have noticed that Mr Fennell, Mrs Adams Price and Mrs Janes' husband (Mr Janes) have all been working hard to make our school look as good as it can. I am delighted with the results.



As always, please do not hesitate to contact me, at any time with any questions or concerns. I will respond as quickly as I can head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk
Keep well and keep safe.

Judy Wheeler
Headteacher