



Walter Infant School and Nursery

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Today we break up an hour early as it is the end of term and we don't return to school until Tuesday 22nd April 2025 at the usual time. All our children have been learning about Easter in different ways and from different perspectives. They learned that it is a Christian Festival and that Christians believe that Jesus died on Good Friday and rose again on Easter Sunday. We had an Easter Assembly today and the children shared what they have learned about Easter. Their knowledge was amazing; they talked about the symbols of Easter and Spring and the celebration of new life, which we can all celebrate together.

Here are some of the symbols we shared that you might like to chat about with your children over the next couple of weeks.







This is the link to the video we watched which is especially made for children who are the ages our children are: [The Christian Story of Easter - BBC Teach](#)



West Oak Care Home on Murray Road

On Friday 18th April 2025 West Oak Care Home (where my mum lives and some of our parents work) are holding an Easter Egg Hunt from 10am to 12 noon and they would love our children to join in if they can.



Easter

— BUNNY HUNT —

Friday 18th April, 10am - 12pm

Join us for our Easter Bunny Hunt!

We'll be hiding Easter bunnies in our gardens for you to find and win a treat. Record the number on each bunny you find, once you've found all you can, go to Dawn and Helen and we'll give you your treats

Easter activities for children at borough's libraries



by **Jacky Hayler**

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Family fun day

Wokingham is hosting a free family fun day on Monday 7th April at Lower Earley Library.

Join organisers from 10am to 12 noon to take part in an Easter trail, colouring in and much more. They will also have Herbies Hedgehog Rescue, First Days Children's Charity and Thames Valley Police.

Meet guide dogs

Library staff would love to invite families to [meet guide dogs](#) and find out more about the vital role they play in helping their owners.

Charity Guide Dogs for the Blind will be at Wokingham Library on Friday 11th April from 10am to 12.30pm. This is a free event and no registration is needed.

Get Arty

Join the team for special Easter-themed [Get Arty sessions](#):

- Monday 7th April, Lower Earley Library, 10.30am to 11.30am
- Thursday 10th April, Wokingham Library, 10.30am to 11.30am
- Monday 14th April, Woodley Library, 10.30am to 11.30am
- Tuesday 15th April, Finchampsted Library, 2.15pm to 3.15pm

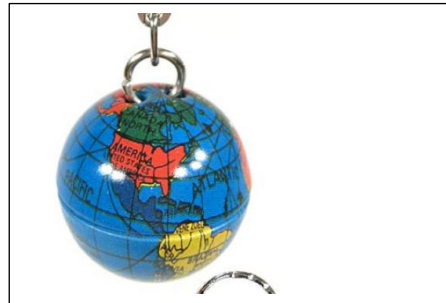
Enjoy arts and crafts, suitable for children aged four to 10. [Places must be booked](#) in advance and there is a £2 charge per child, payable on the day.

Get Active Competition

Some of our children entered the Get Active Competition; Arthur Peacock also entered the Wokingham Get Active Competition and he won both with his amazing poster! He won a bag full of prizes and a £50 voucher from Wokingham and he won a book and a key ring from Walter Infant School and Nursery. The runners up all received a key ring of the world for their book bags! Well done everyone!



Here are the runners up!





The Chocolate Tombola

Thank you so much for the incredible number of donations for the Chocolate Tombola; there was so much that we were able to run two Tombolas and many of you came twice! Between us all we have managed to raise!

£557!

This money is going to be used for resources to develop our new lunchtime clubs which will begin after the Easter Holidays. Our amazing Learning Support Assistants are now going to be supporting the children during the lunch break. We will have a number of different activities throughout the week for the children to engage in if they would rather not be playing a very active game. We will have a gardening club, a computing club, a Lego club, a drawing club, a library club as well as lots of learning activities happening outside to promote safe and skilful playing, for example, skipping, basketball, football, body boards and balance boards, bug hunting and role play. We are aware that we may have a few hiccups to start with but the whole team are very excited. Each programme of activities will run for half a term and then change leaders and possibly provision, as many of the activities will be seasonal. Watch this space, and THANK YOU again.

Gus and his Sponsored Global Run

Gus took part in the Global Run for Safe Child Thailand. He ran 11km and raised £205 for school lunches in very poor areas of Thailand. Well done Gus!



He was only expected to run 5km but he just kept on going!

Parent Consultations

Our Parent Consultations were extremely well attended; thank you all. If you have not yet had a meeting with your child's teacher, please either contact the school office or speak to the teacher at the end of the school day for a new appointment. We like to see 100% of all parents if possible.

School Food Waste

From 31st March 2025 we are no longer allowed by law to deposit food waste into our general waste bins. Ms Crick (Owen's Mummy) works for Suez, which is a company that leads in water, waste and resource management, offering solutions for businesses and local authorities. Ms Crick has spoken with the children in the past about food waste in assembly and it was FASCINATING! I asked Ms Crick for advice and she was able to tell us exactly what we needed to do and how and also provided us with 12 food bins, one for each classroom and one for the staffroom. We are so grateful; thank you so much Ms Crick and Suez for your knowledge and generosity.



Flowers from Year 2

I had coveted the beautiful flowers that the Year 2 children took home for Mother's Day; so, I was delighted when Yusra and Avni brought me these for my office today. Thank you so much Year 2 (and especially Mrs Ayres, who has a very good memory)!



Stars of the Week

The Easter Bunny has been here ALL DAY! They very kindly awarded the golden star pins to our stars and agreed to have a photo with our wonderful stars too!





Last week we only had one Star of the Week and that was Amelia in Robin; we didn't send out a Friday Flyer as it was an INSET Day so I have included her today. Well done Amelia. I loved both these photos so I have included both!



Spring Discos on Wednesday and Thursday!

The Discos were AMAZING! The children had so much fun! It is the first time we have had discos for our Foundation Stage children and they had the best time, as did all the staff and the parents. The Year 2 disco was very impressive as the children's dancing was excellent and the singing from the Year 1 Disco was absolutely brilliant. I loved doing the Conga and throwing a few shapes myself (as did Walter)!

I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to the PTA and staff who made the discos happen and we have raised approximately

£600!







If you are struggling to provide all you need to at the moment; we can provide Food Vouchers for the Foodbank and fuel vouchers.

We can help!

If you are struggling to provide anything essential for your child's well-being, such as pyjamas, coats, shoes, socks, underwear, school uniform, bedding etc please ask us as we are here to help. We do not want any of our children to miss out on the basic fundamentals that they are all entitled to. As before, please just ask.

Pupil Premium Funding

Some of our families are entitled to Pupil Premium Funding for their children; this is a wonderful addition to our school's budget and helps us to provide curriculum enrichment and support for our Pupil Premium children and all other children too!

Your child may be entitled to this funding which can be used to pay for clubs, uniform, additional support, one to one nurture, Canine Assisted learning etc.

If you are in receipt of one the following benefits you may be eligible for free school meals or the pupil premium:

- 1) Income Support.
- 2) Income based Job Seeker's Allowance.
- 3) Income related Employment and Support Allowance.
- 4) Child Tax Credit - Where the family's annual income is not more than £16,190 and Working Tax Credit is not in payment.
- 5) Guarantee Pension Credit.
- 6) Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- 7) Universal Credit.

Please contact Mrs Janes in the office to find out more or follow this link <https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-information-and-services/free-school-meals-and-the-pupil-premium/>

Children who receive Pupil Premium Funding in school can attend an after school or morning club (excluding Junior Adventures), free of charge. Please speak with Mrs Hemmings in the office to see what is available.

And finally,

Believe it or not, the next time you see Walter he will be 4 years old, his birthday is on Tuesday 8th April, I cannot believe he is going to be four. Here he is on his first day at school!



Have a fabulous holiday and see you on Tuesday 22nd April 2025.

Yours sincerely

Judy Hargreaves
Headteacher