



# Walter Infant School and Nursery

## Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Our book week has been fantastic; we have all had so much fun and learned so much! The work the children have produced is amazing! The week began with the strangest of happenings; the tree was full of so many things that had become STUCK! loved watching and listening to the reactions of the children and their parents and carers! Miss Palmer had begun the morning very early and was much helped by Mr Fennell and Mr Lee. The rest of us were so puzzled. Quite a few things are less stuck now! I have just picked up a soggy light house, the weather was not as appreciative of the happening!





All the children have had the opportunity to learn all about what happened to Floyd, when his kite got stuck up a tree and we shared the power point with you on Monday. On Thursday, Year 1 children flew the kites they had made as part of their Design and Technology Curriculum; I had to stop my meeting so that I could watch them. THEY LOVED IT!!!!!!

## Robin

The children in Robin have had the most amazing week too; here are some photographs of the activities they have been playing with and learning from. When I visited Robin today, I was so impressed by all the things they remembered had been stuck in the tree. They are so clever and were so enthusiastic!





## Let's Go Fly a Kite



## World Book Day

Today almost EVERYONE came in their pyjamas! The children brought teddies and their favourite books. Some children had a combination of pyjamas and fancy dress! Thank you all for supporting your children in having so much jolly good fun! I love seeing them in their pyjamas (they look so tiny)!











Today we have had our World Book Day Quiz Assembly; I will send it out to all of you to see if you are as clever as your children on Monday! The children were truly amazing.

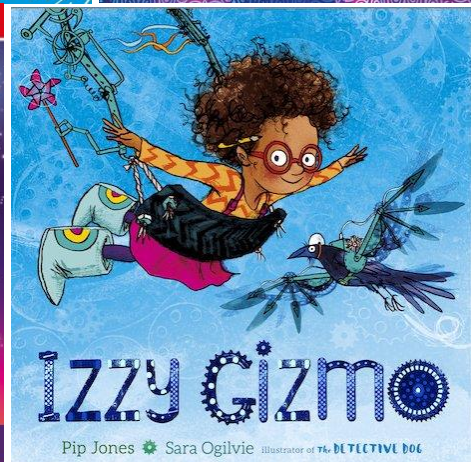
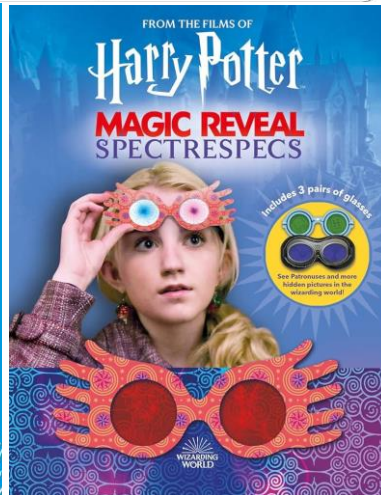
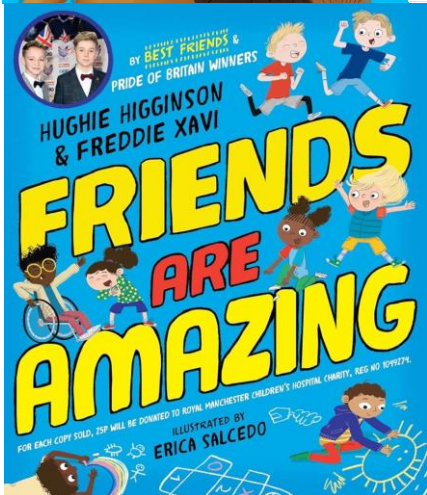
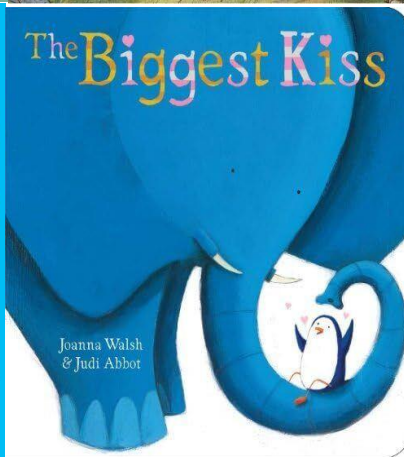
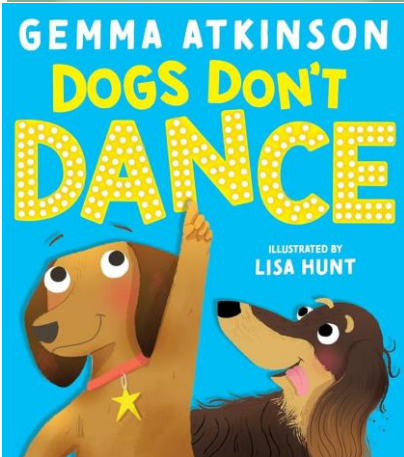
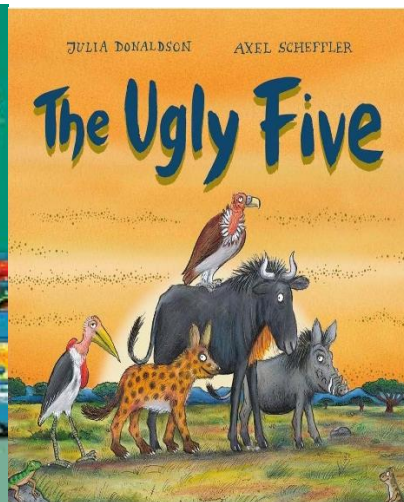
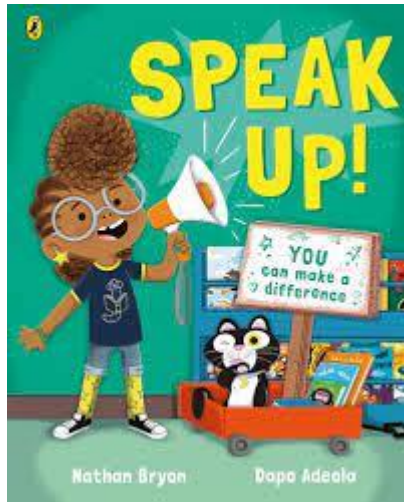
### **Governor's Day**

Today has been Governors Day and I have asked our Governors to tell me their thoughts about our school: they said it was the best Governor they have had. They thought the behaviour was excellent and that the school looked amazing. They were so impressed by the displays and the resources. They visited all the classrooms and spoke with so many of the children. The children shared how much they love school and how much they have enjoyed this exciting book week. One of the governors spoke to some children from the school council who said they felt that they were "Mini-governors" and next time there is a visit they would like to be invited to the lunch! I felt so proud of the school and all of the children and staff; even Walter was on his best behaviour and didn't let me down! We are so lucky to have such an amazing team of Governors!



### **The Book Fair**

We have had such a successful Book Fair; thank you so much for all your support. Today the children from Year 2 in the School Council came to the fair and chose some books for the library, taking into consideration the tastes of all our children, when choosing a book to read. They chose:



### **Red Nose Day**

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March it is red nose day; we would like the children to come into school wearing something red! Last year we had a joke competition and the children brought in a very funny joke. The funniest joke in the class was chosen and then we had the 10 funniest jokes in school in our Friday assembly. If your child would like to take part, they will need to bring in a joke by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March.



**We will not be collecting money in school!**

### **Annual Easter Chocolate Tombola**

Our wonderful School Council are organising our annual Easter Chocolate Tombola, which will take place at 2:20 pm on the last day of term in the hall! We always have a wonderful response from our families and we make a lot of money to buy resources for the children to use in their classrooms and their play. We would like to buy some new books for the library and the story boxes and even more outside play equipment.

Please can you donate some Easter themed chocolate to our tombola; Easter Eggs, big and small, chocolate bars, boxes of chocolates, chocolate rabbits, or unicorns, or dinosaurs...anything delicious that our children would love to win. Please start donating on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March and please ask all your friends and family (even neighbours) if they would like to donate too. The school council members from Year 2 will be asked to help on the tombola but all school council members have come up with the ideas of what to spend the money on!



### **Katie's Success at Beavers**

Katie has received a very special achievement that she is very proud of. Last night at Beavers she achieved her Chief Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award a Beaver can achieve, taking over a year to complete with a wide range of challenges at beavers and home. Katie has been so motivated and determined to get it. We are all so proud of her.



## Parking

I really hate talking about parking; but we had an incident report the daughter of an older resident in the care home opposite: West Oak Care Home.



Their car had been damaged and the owner believes it was a white car driven by a parent from our school or from St. Paul's. West Oak are now going to be barricading their entrance, which will make it very difficult for visitors. It is private land.

Also, on Friday morning last week, the driver (who presented as female) of a grey Audi A5 (is that you?) swung into the open gates of our car park as our parents were leaving, closely missing one of our parents! Mrs Bell and I were horrified as it was so close...I yelled "What the heck!" (which was fortunate); the driver then sped off towards Murray Road, turning left on to Oxford Road. It was very frightening and we are so lucky that no one was hurt.

I appreciate how frustrating the traffic and congestion is on your journeys to school each day, but please allow a little more time to park further away and walk a few 100 metres to avoid this sort of near miss (or worse).

Can I also please ask you to cross at the crossings; this gives a very clear message to your children about road safety.

## Reading Star of the Week

This week all of our STARS are reading stars! I asked their teachers to choose a star who had excelled with reading and developing their enjoyment for reading for pleasure.



**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/>

I am very happy to share your children's success outside of school, send me the photos and the context and I will post them in the flyer.

**Judy Hargreaves: Headteacher**