



Walter Infant School and Nursery

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Beale Park

On Wednesday Year 1 went to Beale Park; it was absolutely amazing. I was so proud of each and every child and each and every adult from Walter Infant School and Nursery. We were so lucky as the Park was not busy and we were the only school visiting; we all loved the Work Shop, the teacher leading the learning was so impressed by the knowledge and understanding of the children (and so was I). They talked about mammals and birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians! The children knew about omnivores, herbivores and carnivores. They could describe the difference between each group of animals, e.g. mammals give birth to live babies that drink milk, birds lay eggs and the baby birds do not drink milk. Some children could even talk about cold-blooded and warm-blooded animals! We had every sort of weather, which was fine until the thunder and lightening came, we then had to run for cover, as we were trying to eat our picnics!





The train ride was very exciting indeed; we saw almost every animal in the Park as we chugged around!





My favourite animals were the otters; they were so pretty and chatty. They were a very popular attraction. We were impressed how well cared for the animals were. They all seemed very content and we saw lots of babies!



School Council

Please welcome our new School Councillors; we have been learning about Democracy and these are the children who have collected the most votes based on the manifestos they presented to their class. Well done all of you.







The PTA Quiz

The PTA Quiz, held last Friday was a huge success; we all had so much fun. Here are the worthy winners “The Split Trigraphs”. Well done.



Happy Circus

The PTA would like to request some help for the Happy Circus on Wednesday 17th May 2023. Please see below:

Dear Walter Families

We are very excited about the fair next week, but we are very concerned that we don't have enough volunteers. Please use the link below to sign up for a 30 mins slot, you can help out before or after your show time.

We really appreciate your support.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/4090d4bafac29aaf58-ptawalter/140976199>

Walter Infants Parent Teacher Association

Your PTA Needs You



YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

As you may be aware, all three PTA Committee members are stepping down at the end of July as our children are leaving. We know being on the PTA might seem scary or time consuming or generally not fun but we can reassure you, this is absolutely not the case! All three of us have loved our time as the PTA Committee, organising events to get families together and raise money to help our awesome staff bring learning alive to our awesome children.

On average we raise £8,000 per year. This pays for the Reindeer visit, class gifts at Christmas, grounds improvements and resources for the children. Without the PTA the school community misses out on some of the things that make Walter the wonderful place it is.

Currently there is one new person who would like to be on the Committee from September and she needs at least two team members for the PTA to go ahead. Unfortunately, if no one else is willing to join her the PTA will have to be dissolved at the end of July.

If you've been thinking about joining, or want to find out more, **please please** come & chat with us. We'd love some people to carry on from where we finish!

With thanks,
Anika, Vic & Vesna.

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Walk to School Week

Next week, beginning on Monday 15th May, it is national Walk to School Week; the theme this year is 'Walk with Wildlife'.

THIS YEAR'S THEME AND ACTIVITY

Are your pupils ready to **Walk with Wildlife**? This year's challenge encourages children to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting various animals along the way, they'll learn about the important reasons to walk and the difference it can make for individuals, communities and the planet!



The staff for each class will keep a record each day of the children who had an active journey to school and discuss the theme for each day; at the moment we are the most sustainable large primary school in Wokingham and it would be great if we could win that prestigious award again! The children can walk, scoot, run or cycle to school and back each day. If you live too far away and have to use the car or bus, perhaps you could park further away from the school and walk the rest of the way?

Walter's Pantry

As many of you are aware, we have a pantry in school to provide breakfast and evening meals for some of our families. Wokingham Foodbank is a wonderful resource for our local families in need, however, families can only use the foodbank once a month, so may need a top up from our pantry. Our pantry is usually stocked by staff, but as there is now such a demand, we thought that some of our families might like to donate every now and then to keep it stocked up.

Star of the Week

Well done Stars of the Week; you might see that some people have had a double celebration today!





Bags to School

The Bags to School Collection will be next Friday 19th May; please bring your bags in to the playground and place them on the train. As we still have a lot of Lost Property

that has not been claimed we will be using unclaimed items to raise money for the school as we need to clean out the box and find it a new home. There are coats, shoes, hats and jumpers as well as PE kits. Please check to see if anything belongs to you.

Thank you for your help and support as always.

Medicine in School

All medication to be given in school must be prescribed by a Doctor or a hospital, in its original box along with a prescription label. We are not able to administer any medication in school that has not been prescribed. If your child requires prescribed medication during the school day, you must fill in a form which can be found on the school website or a hard copy is located in the front foyer outside the office.

If your child is asthmatic or requires an EpiPen please contact Lynnette Hemmings via email on Lynnette.hemmings@walter.wokingham.sch.uk for all the relevant forms that will need to be filled in. Please also send in an up to date photo (head & shoulders) of your child along with the forms.

Please bring all medication to the front office at the start of the day which will be kept in a medicine fridge.

And Finally,

Please can you ensure that you take the opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher if you did not attend for parent consultations before the holidays. We like to have 100% attendance for every class. If you would prefer a telephone call, please speak to your child's teacher or the office. Have a lovely weekend.

Judy Wheeler: Headteacher