

## HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

### Walter Infant School and Nursery

# Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

So, this is the last Friday Flyer of 2023, and what a an amazingly busy term we have had since September! We have had Miller's Ark, Reindeer, Indian Dancing, Jeans for Genes, Children in Need, Legoland, our Christmas Fair, the Pantomime, parties, nativities and some spectacular Christmas concerts. We had our school council elections and our Year 2 councillors sold poppies for the Royal British Legion and toys for our school funds; the Rumble in the Jumble stall made enough money for us to buy new outside play equipment! Lots of children have earned their values badges and been awarded a star of the week certificate or a headteacher's award or even a kindness leaf.

This week has been incredible as we have had so much to celebrate; on Tuesday our Year 2 children sang their hearts out and shared the story of the first Christmas! The singing was superb!



On Thursday we had the Foundation Stage Concert! It was absolutely joyous! I was amazed by how many words and actions they had learned and the poems were brilliant. Thank you to everyone who came to see the performances; you made the occasions even more special. And finally, thank you to all the staff who helped the children shine like stars!



#### **Christmas Fun at Walter!**

Wednesday was party day and Christmas Lunch day; it was so much fun!







Here are the winning dancers from Year 2! Well done!

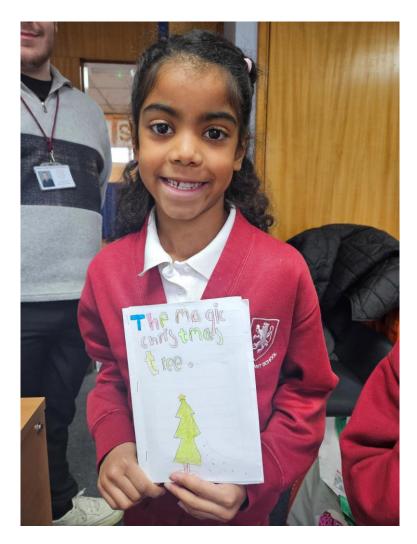
This morning we all sang The Twelve Days of Christmas; if you follow this link, you can join in from home!

The twelve days of Christmas - BBC Teach



#### What's been happening in School?

Jasmine came to show me the most amazing book she had made! It was an excellent story called The Magic Christmas Tree!



#### Star of the Week

At the end of our Christmas Fun Assembly; I awarded star of the week certificates. Elsie, Zachary and Sophia collected the Class Certificates for Dove, Magpie and Woodpecker!





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.

#### Walter's Pantry

Don't forget about Walter's Pantry; you can collect food to cook a hot stove top meal each day, collect breakfast for the following morning, or pick up necessary sanitary products, such as toothpaste, nappies, toothbrushes etc. We would be very grateful to receive boxes of cereal, if you would like to donate to the pantry.

#### **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 provided 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 <u>https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-information-and-</u> <u>services/free-school-meals-and-the-pupil-premium/</u>

Have a fantastic break and a very happy new year. See you on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January 2024.

Judy Hargreaves: Headteacher