

Walter Infant School and Nursery

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

We have had a truly wonderful week in school; the children have become so articulate when talking about bullying behaviour as we learned exactly what bullying is.

They know that:

- Bullying is intentional, it happens on purpose
- Bullying is repetitive, it happens more than once
- Bullying happens when there is an imbalance of power, either from a bigger, older, stronger person or from a group of people
- Bullying can be physical, verbal or emotional
- Bullying can happen face to face and online

We consider bullying to be the most unwanted behaviour and we are committed to making Walter a Bullying Free Zone. If you are concerned about the impact the behaviour of other children is having on your child, please do not hesitate to contact me. We need to 'Break the Silence!'

Anti-Bullying Week 2026: Break the Silence



We watch some of the videos on BBC Bitesize: What is bullying? | KS1 Citizenship | Primary - BBC Bitesize

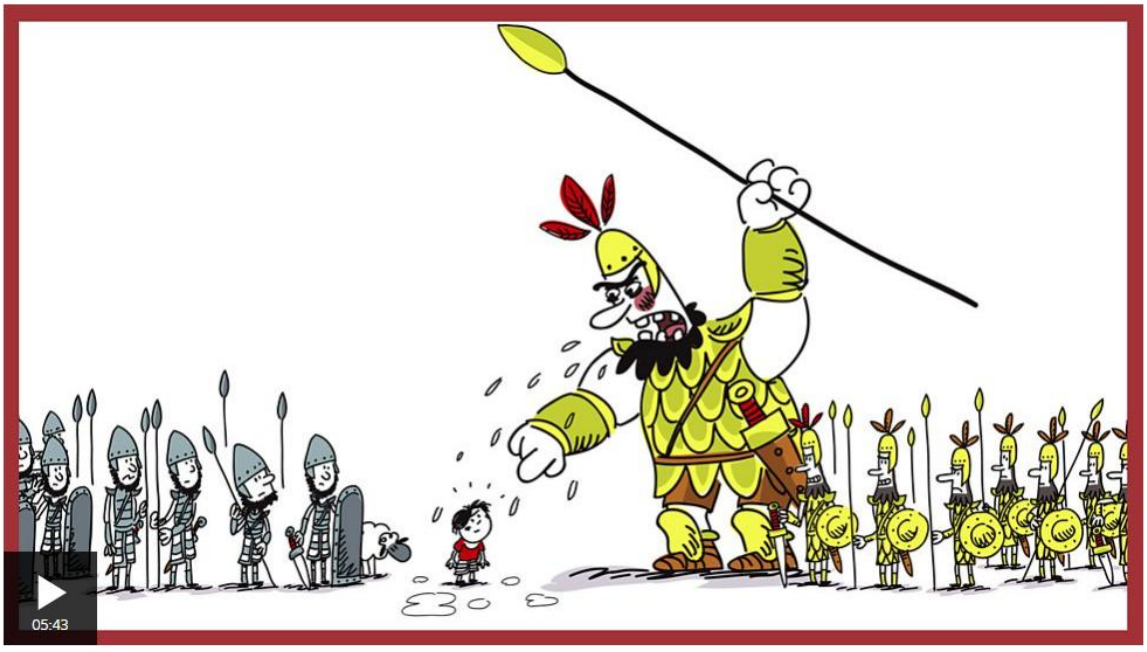


The children have learned the three key things for being a good friend:

1. **HONESTY**
2. **LISTENING**
3. **SUPPORT**

There are lots of resources available on the BBC website to help very young children understand that unkind behaviour is unwanted behaviour.

The video

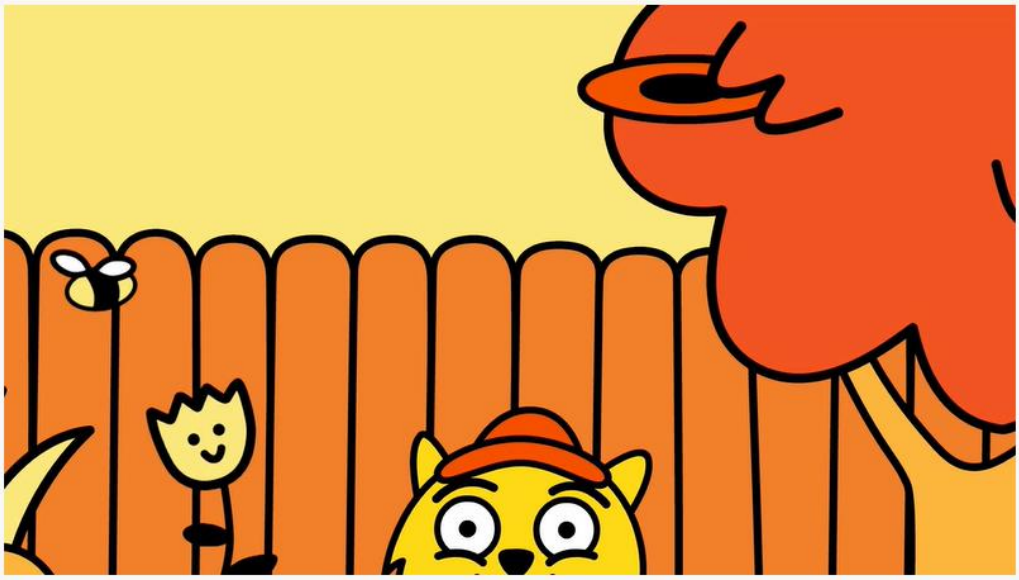


Anti-Bullying Week - 'David and Goliath' - BBC Teach

Your Anti-Bullying Week Stories: Cat

2 Comments

Young people share their thoughts and feelings about bullying behaviour in their own words. This is Cat's story.



Watch more 'Your Anti-Bullying Stories' on iPlayer.

The Reindeer Came to School

The day the reindeer come to school is one of my favourite days! This year Riptide came; he is 2 and a half years old. He is called Riptide because he once ripped the tag out of his ear. His antlers were shedding their velvet, it looked sore but we were reassured that it didn't.

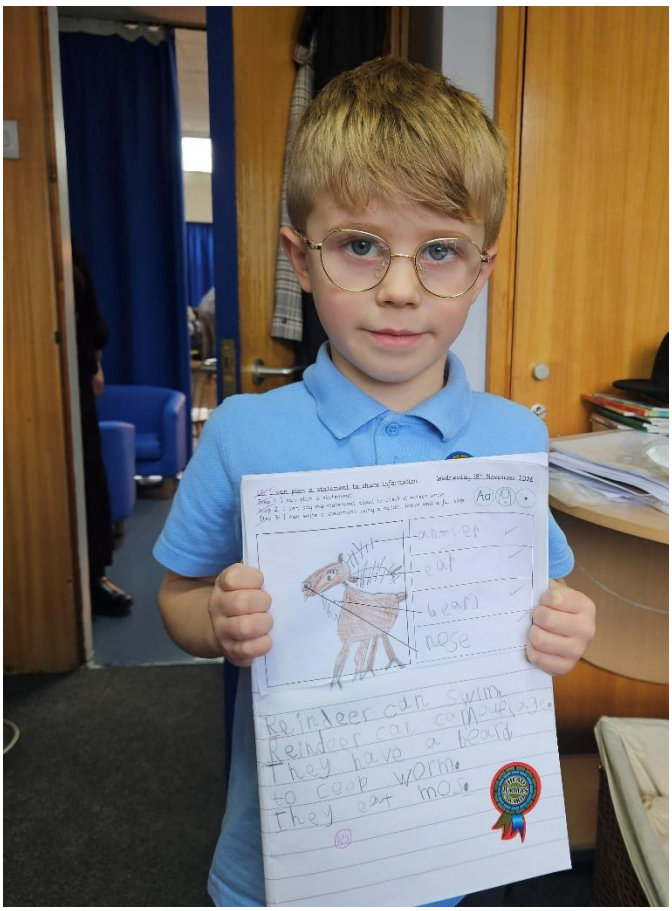


Riptide was joined by Aquilo: which is the name for the Roman personification of the north wind. He was only seven months old, so just a baby. He was so sweet and so gentle. Why not ask your children all the facts they know about reindeer, you might

learn something new.



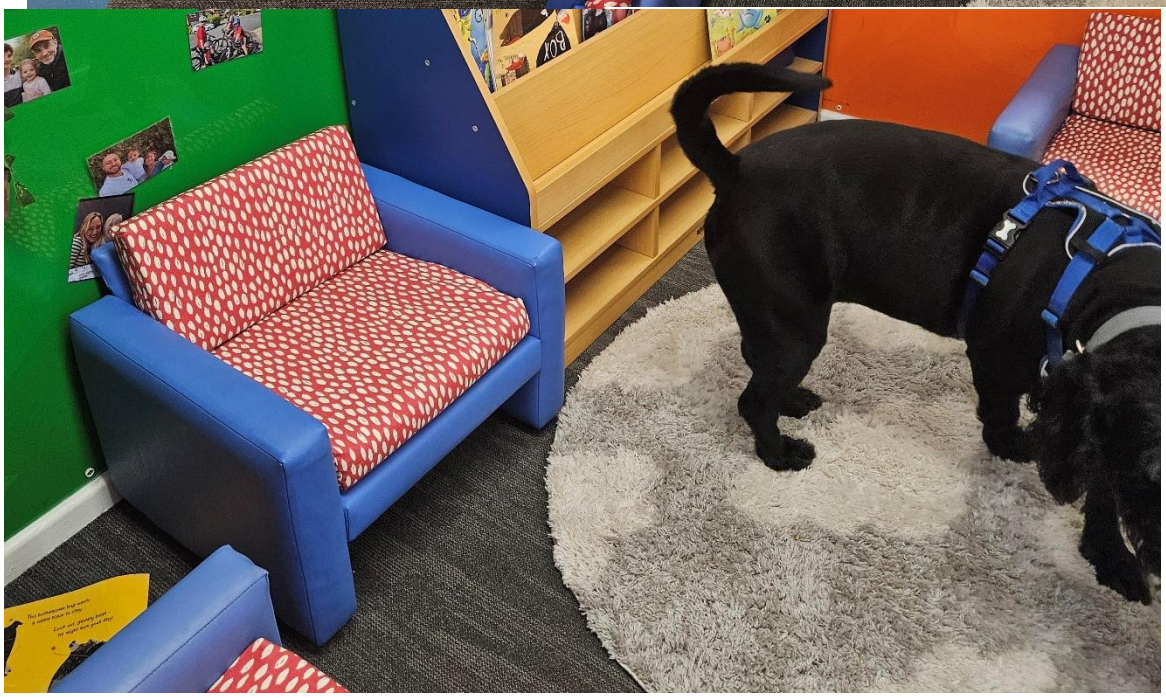
Raffy did the most amazing writing about reindeer! We were all so proud of him. He earned a headteacher's award!



A Massive thank you to Mrs Girling

We always look after everything in school very carefully, but we needed new chairs for the first aid area as the sofa cushions had become very tired. The sofa set moved into the reading area in Robin and Mrs Girling made some super new covers! It now looks as good as new!





Walter is very impressed!

Closing the School Gate

A parent kindly noticed that the gate was not automatically closing; the mechanics can sometimes be affected by cold weather. Please can you ensure that the gate is always closed so that no one can come onto site without us knowing.



Chocolate Tombola

Wow! You are all so incredibly generous! We have 90 fewer children and yet I do not think I have ever seen so much chocolate! Thank you so much. We have had to keep it in the computing sweet as the school is so cosy and warm and we don't want the chocolate to melt! We have a chocolate mountain!



If you forgot your chocolate today, don't worry, we will be delighted to receive it next week!

The Christmas Fair

We are getting ready for our big fund raiser…The Christmas Fair, which is on Friday 27th November 2026 from 3.30 pm. We have become increasingly more reliant on fundraising to enhance and enrich the children's learning experiences and we are therefore going to be making a lot of request for support over the next few weeks. Please do not feel pressured to donate to every request as I know how expensive everything is and how difficult it can be to make ends meet. But, if you can help, we really do appreciate it very much.

The Walter Infant School Christmas Raffle

Please sell as many tickets as you can! We have got some really amazing prizes and they keep coming. The draw will take place at the fair at 5.00 pm. **YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT**



Please support our wonderful school by buying and selling as many raffle tickets as you can for our world-famous Christmas Raffle!





Fill a Jar!

We received some lovely jars but we still need lots more. People have said how much they have enjoyed filling them. Some have loom bands, others hair ties, lots with sweets, other with beads, some with Lego. Please help us out by filling a jar! I will be filling my jars this weekend and asking my family to fill some too.



Rumble in the Jungle

The School Council will be running their usual fundraising stall, to find new homes for soft toys. These soft toys do need to be as good as new! If your children have some soft toys that don't get very much love, please offer them up for adoption. The school councillors love running this stall so please give generously and clear some space for some new toys that might be arriving at Christmas Time!



Running a Stall at The Fair

If you would like to run a stall at the Christmas Fair and help to raise money for the school please get in touch with Mrs Janes or Mrs Hemmings for more information. My big brother is coming all the way from New Brighton (on The Wirral) with a selection of crafts for Christmas, all the items will be under £7.00 and there will also be a Lucky Dip!







If you would like to advertise in next week's flyer, please send me some information and some photographs that I can share with our families.

Friday 27th November 2026

On Friday 27th November (the day of the fair) we will have another non-uniform day in exchange for £2 which will be an entry fee to the fair for a whole family! More information will follow soon.

Stars of the Week

Here are 8 wonderful stars of the week who have all been 'the best they can be!'

















Birthdays in School

The children love it when we celebrate their birthdays in our singing assembly. Thankfully, Freddie reminded my so here are some lovely children celebrating being one year older!


Happy Birthday

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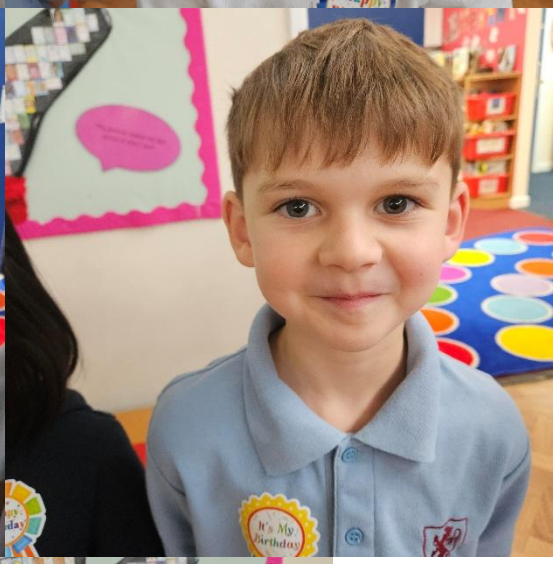
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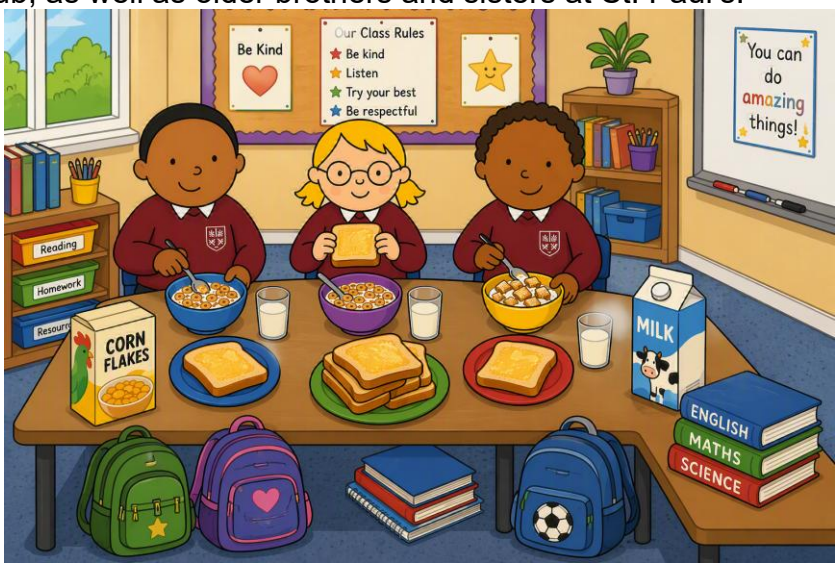
Wraparound Care at Walter Infant School and Nursery

All the children from Robin to Willow can come to our Amazing Rise and Shine Breakfast Club; as well as older brothers and sisters at St. Paul's.



All our Rise and Shine staff have completed the relevant training in food safety so we are now able to provide breakfast for the children. We will be offering a variety of cereals, toast, crumpets, pancakes with a variety of different toppings. We will provide milk to drink and fresh fruit.

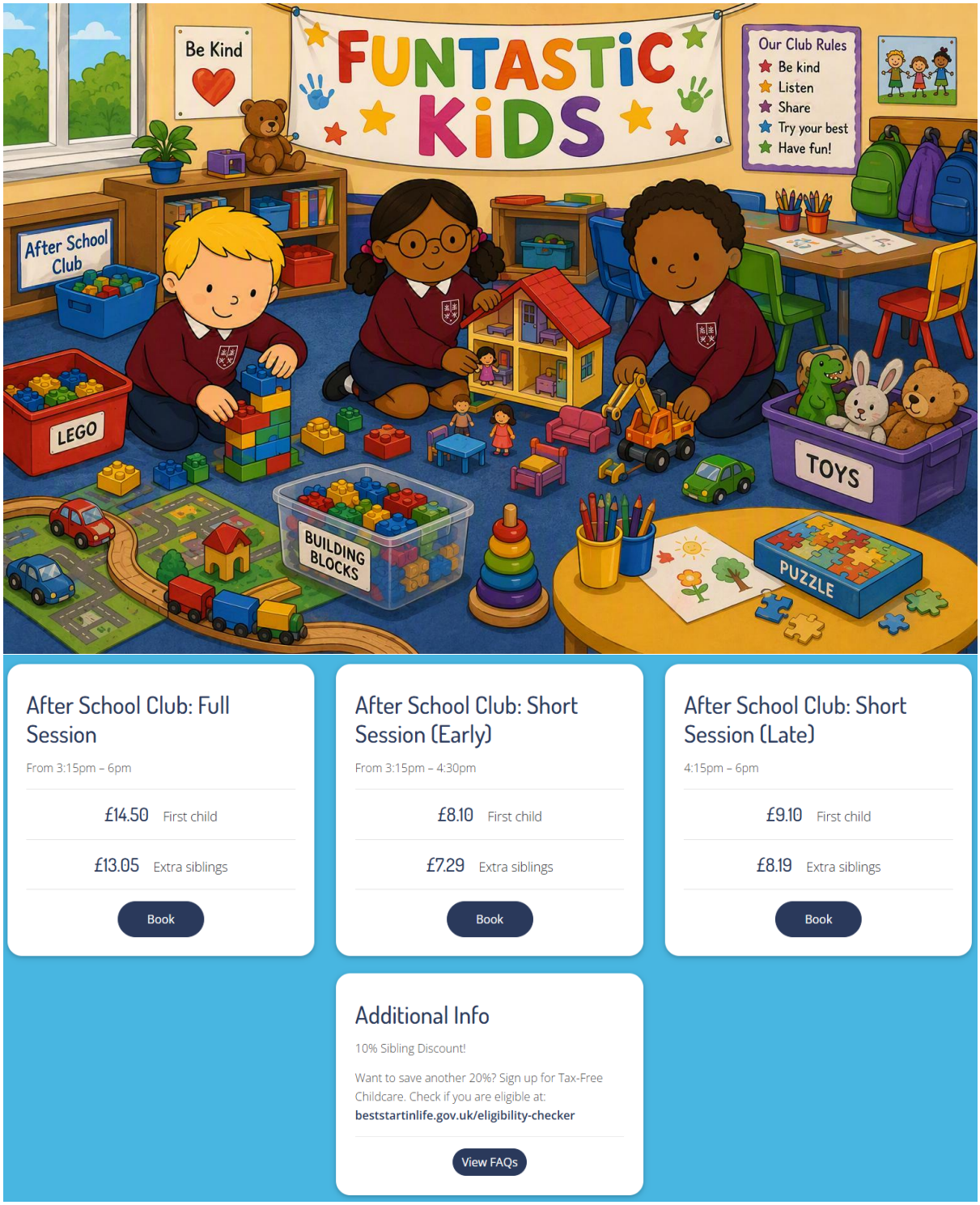
The menus will vary from day to day so that we can find out how popular the different options are. There will be no nut products.

The cost is £8.00 per session and will need to be booked at least one day prior to the day you require your child to attend. We will apply sibling reduction: 2 for £15.00 and 3 for £21.00.

Bookings are made via the school gateway https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login using your preferred email address and mobile telephone number.

Funtastic Kids

Funtastic Kids will now be able to provided after school care for all children from Nursery (Robin) until **Year 6** (the children at St Paul's do not have to have a sibling in our school to attend Funtastic Kids). If you book a junior child onto Funtastic Kids, please can you inform the class teacher that they may sometimes be collected by Walter or Funtastic Kids staff members.



To book follow this link bookings@funtastickids.co.uk

Information from Wokingham Borough Council

Free mental health counselling for Hong Kong BNOs and Ukrainians

The South East Migration Partnership has funded Hong Kong Aid and Phoenix Therapy Practice to provide free mental health counselling services to Hong Kong BNOs and Ukrainians (who are on the Homes for Ukraine or Ukraine Permission Extension routes), including for children and young people.

Please could colleagues publicise this service to Hong Kong and Ukrainian families in your school community. Information flyers can be downloaded at the links below:

Support for Hong Kongers – information in English and Traditional Chinese

Hong Kong support – FAQs in English
Hong Kong support – FAQs in Cantonese
Ukrainian support – in English
Ukrainian support – in Ukrainian
Ukrainian support – in Russian

NHS Togetherness Programme for Wokingham Families

Togetherness is an NHS emotional health team provides online learning for parents, carers, families, and young people to support emotional wellbeing and preventative mental health in the UK.
More details can be found here – Home - Togetherness and here: Free learning for wellbeing and relationships

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 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 https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-information-and-services/free-school-meals-and-the-pupil-premium/

And Finally,

If you would like to share events and successes from home, please do send your comments and photographs via email to Mrs Janes on admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk Have a wonderful weekend!

Judy Hargreaves: Headteacher



Calendar Dates for Parents Autumn 2026

Date	Event	Time
Tuesday 24th November	Foundation Stage - Story Suitcase	9.30am
Friday 27th November	Non uniform Day - In return for a £2 donation to the Christmas Fair	
Friday 27th November	Christmas Fair	3.30pm – 5.30pm
Monday 7th December	Year 1 Christmas Play – Dress Rehearsal	10am
Tuesday 8th December	Year 1 Christmas Play – To Parents	2.30pm
Wednesday 9th December	Year 1 Christmas Play – To Parents	9.15am -10am
Thursday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day	
Thursday 10th December	Foundation Stage Christmas Singing Performance	9am
Friday 11th December	Foundation Stage Christmas Singing Performance	9am
Friday 11th December	iRock Concert for Children & Parents of iRock Children	2.30pm
Wednesday 16th December	Christmas Lunch Day	
Wednesday 16th December	Year 2 – Christmas Singing Extravaganza	2.30pm
Wednesday 16th December	Christmas Disco – Robin, Dove & Magpie	3.45pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday 16th December	Christmas Disco – Year 1 & Year 2	4.45pm – 5.45pm
Thursday 17th December	Class Christmas Party Day	
Thursday 17th December	PTA Christmas Bake & Craft Sale	3.15pm
Friday 18th December	Last Day of Term (Children finish 1 hour early)	
Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January 2027	Christmas Holiday – School Closed	
Monday 4th January	School Open – Start of Spring Term 1	
Thursday 21st January	Drama4all Workshops – ROAR!	
Tuesday 2nd February	Foundation Stage - Story Suitcase	9.30am
Friday 12th February	PTA Love Bake Sale	3.15pm
Friday 12th February	Last Day of Half Term ~ Finish Normal Time	
Monday 15th – Friday 19th February	February Half Term – School Closed	
Monday 22nd February	School Open – Start of Spring Term 2	
Tuesday 16th March	Foundation Stage - Story Suitcase	9.30am
Friday 19th March	Break The Rules Day	
Monday 22nd March	Parent Consultations	3.30pm – 6.20pm
Wednesday 24th March	Parent Consultations	3.30pm – 6.20pm

Thursday 25th March	Last Day of Term (Children finish 1 hour early)	
Friday 26th March	Good Friday – School Closed	
Monday 28th March	Easter Monday – School Closed	
Tuesday 29th March – Friday 9th April	School Closed – Easter Holidays	
Monday 12th April	School Open – Start of Summer Term 1	
Monday 3rd May	May Bank Holiday - ~School Closed	
Tuesday 18th May	Foundation Stage - Story Suitcase	9.30am
Tuesday 25th May	Foundation Stage 2 – Wellington Country Park	
Tuesday 25th May	Larch Class Assembly	2.45pm
Wednesday 26th May	PTA Pride Bake Sale	3.15pm
Wednesday 26th May	Beech Class Assembly	2.45pm
Friday 28th May	Last Day of Half Term ~ Finish Normal Time	
Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June	May Half Term – School Closed	
Monday 7th June	**School Closed – INSET**	
Tuesday 8th June	School Open – Start of Summer Term 2	
Friday 18th June	PTA Summer Fair	3.15pm - 5.00pm
Tuesday 6th July	Foundation Stage - Story Suitcase	9.30am
Wednesday 14th July	PTA - Year 2 Leavers Disco	4pm – 6pm
Friday 16th July	Last Day of Term (Children finish 1 hour early)	
Monday 19th July	**School Closed – INSET**	
Tuesday 20th July	**School Closed – INSET**	
Wednesday 21st July	**School Closed – INSET**	

Further dates to be added. All Dates may be subject to change. Please continue to check the website calendar and the Friday Flyer.