



## Walter Infant School and Nursery

# Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

I am finding it almost impossible to believe that we are nearly at the end of term; how can it be almost Christmas. We still have lots of exciting events planned and we will keep you informed of when everything is happening. We will be adding an additional Year 2 Extravaganza at 9:10 am on Wednesday 18th December 2024. So many people came to the Foundation Stage Songs (which was fantastic) but the hall was very full, so we had to have another performance in the afternoon!

On Thursday we had the Pantomime 'Dick Wittington and his Cat'; we had two performances and the children thoroughly enjoyed getting involved with all the fun and frivolity. "Oh no they didn't", "Oh yes they did!" There was a lot of cheering, jeering, clapping and laughter!









### **Year 1 Nativity Performances**

We have also had our Year 1 Nativity Performances which have been spellbinding; the children have performed so well and the teachers really captured the essence of a Christmas Nativity, we had the most amazing singing and dancing as well as marvellous story-telling and Oscar winning acting.

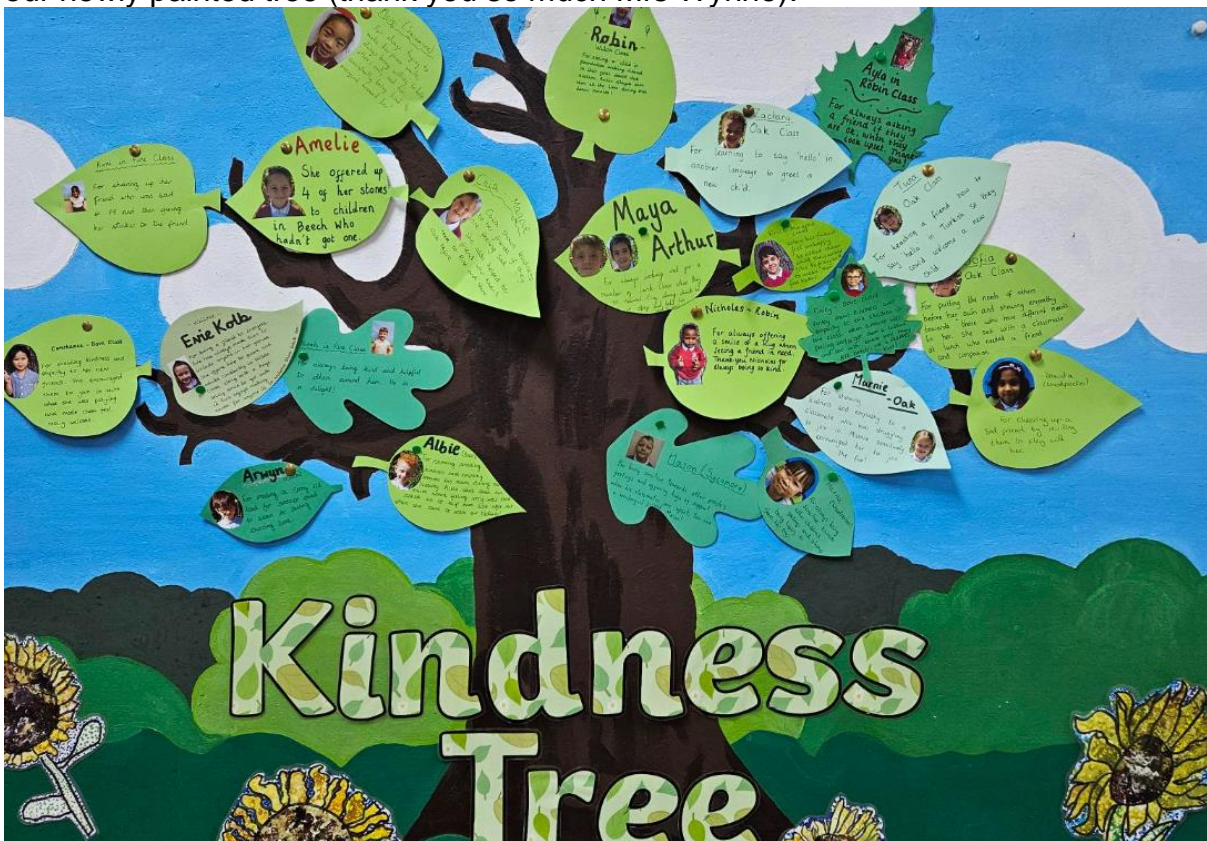






### Our Kindness Tree

Our Value this week has been kindness and lots more children have placed a leaf on our newly painted tree (thank you so much Mrs Wynne).



We have talked about how we can be kind during the festive period and here are 12 acts of kindness that you could try to complete over the next few weeks. I am definitely going to try my best to do all of them! It would be lovely to hear how you get on when we come back to school in January!

**Be Kind this Christmas!**



## 12 Acts of Kindness at Christmas!

- **Donate to the Food Bank.**
- **Give someone a compliment.**
- **Take clothes and toys you don't need any more to the Charity Shop.**
- **Feed the birds.**
- **Play nicely with your siblings.**
- **Send a card to a neighbour.**
- **Hold a door open for someone.**
- **Share your sweets with a friend.**
- **Pick up litter.**
- **Say please and thank you.**
- **Tidy up your toys.**
- **Give a hug to someone you love!**



**Be Kind**

This Christmas

### **Foundation Stage Singing and Dancing**

It was wonderful to welcome such a huge audience to our singing today; the children performed beautifully and happily agreed to put on an additional performance for those who could not see very well this morning or who hadn't been able to make the

9:10 am start. Both performances were incredible and I am so proud of each and every one of the children and of course, the staff who make it all possible.

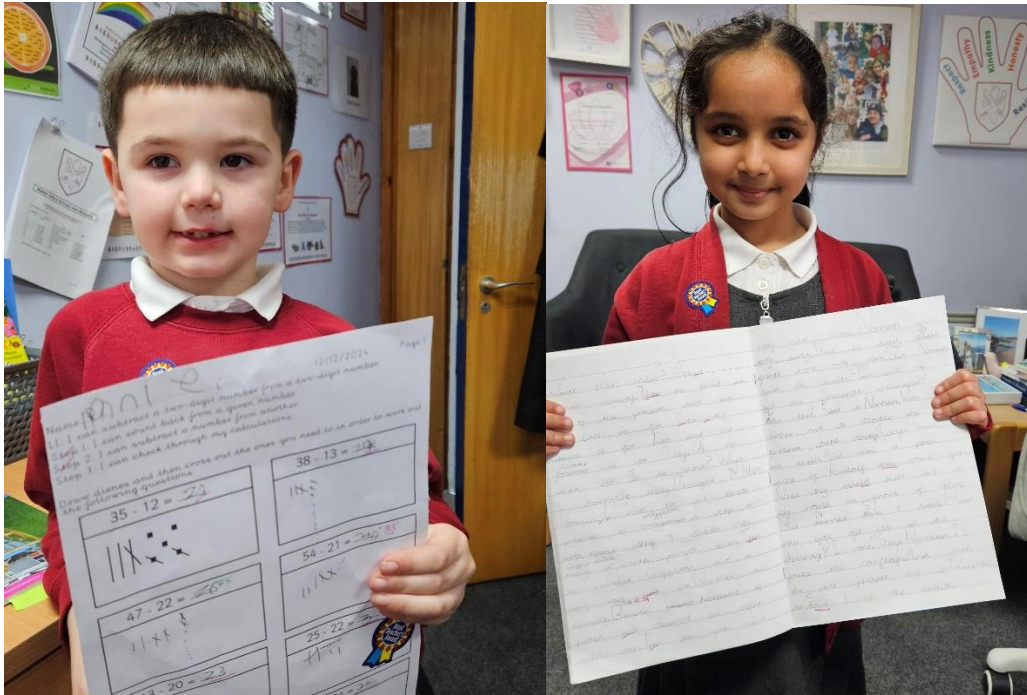






### **Excellent Work in School**

Here are some of our really hard workers from Year 2. Ronnie has learned to subtract 2-digit numbers, all by himself. Anaisha has developed the most beautiful handwriting and incredible stamina when writing. Well done both of you; Mr Dale is very proud.



### Walter the Christmas Dog

Walter is looking exceptionally smart at the moment after his visit to 'Barkshire Dog Spa!' He has loved joining in with all the singing and dancing this week (although he was not allowed to join in with the actual performances!)



### Upcoming Christmas Events

We still have so many exciting events coming between now and the end of term which is on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December, finishing 1 hour early so at 2:15 pm Foundation 2, 2:20 pm for Key Stage 1 and 2:30 pm for Robins. We return to school on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025** (as Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 is an INSET Day).

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December @ 2:30pm	Year 2 Choir will be singing at West Oak
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December @ 9.10am and 2.15pm	Year 2 Christmas Extravaganza

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties ~ we will be providing all the food so there will be no need to bring anything to eat to school
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Term (finishing one hour early)

### School Christmas Party

All the children will have their Christmas parties on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December during the afternoon. The children can come to school dressed in their party clothes.

### Christmas Jumper Day

We will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December which is also the day of our Christmas Lunch. The children will receive their own golden crown to wear whilst they eat, and then they can bring it home.

### Stars of the Week





**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. Unfortunately, we do not have any more spaces for I-Rock at the moment.

### **And finally, ...**

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.

Have a wonderful weekend.

**Judy Hargreaves: Headteacher**