

Walter Infant School and Nursery

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

This has been the most incredible week; we started on Monday wearing odd socks and finding out about National Anti-bullying Week. Monday was made even better by the arrival of the wonderful reindeer Blizzard and Jet. The children learned so much about reindeer and the Year 1 children have produced some brilliant fact files and non-fiction class books!









Archie drew the front cover for the Beech Class book!

The Indian Dance Sessions were totally unbelievable; the children were so well-behaved and learned so much. They could share their knowledge of Diwali and the Indian Gods as well as listen carefully to complicated instructions and learn a complex dance all the way through. Mrs Jay, dance teacher, was very impressed and said that she had never worked with such incredible children. I was so proud both days that I could have burst!



Anti-bullying work
Every child in our school has coloured an odd sock or two! We recognise that we are all different and that is more than okay!



The children in Year 2 made posters encouraging children in school to make some noise, to speak up and to say NO to bullying.





We also asked the children to draw pictures of the adults who keep them safe in school, these are two of my favourite pictures!



Children in Need

Children in Need has been a wonderful finale for the week; the children demonstrated that they can show empathy for others and understood the importance of raising money for charity to help people less fortunate than themselves.

So far, we have raised over £211:00!

Ava made the most incredible Lego picture of Pudsey with a patch. We are all

incredibly impressed!



Magpie children were chilling out at the end of a very busy week; wearing their dotty

spotty clothes and their Pudsey headbands!



Outstanding Children in School!

Alfie has been cycling miles and miles to raise money for:

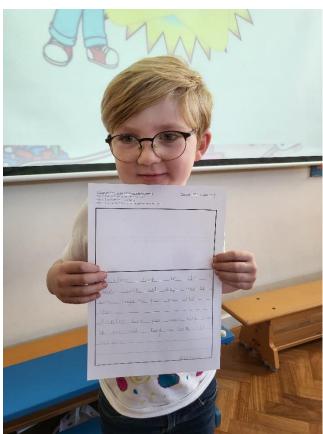
DIABETES UK KNOW DIABETES. FIGHT DIABETES.

He has raised almost £200. We are so proud of him! He has cycled 113 miles!





Arthur has been determined to improve his handwriting and to form his 'C' letters correctly: and today he came to show me his writing and it was perfect! Well done Arthur!



Christmas Fair and Raffle Tickets

Our Christmas Fair is on Friday 1st December 2023 at 3:20 pm. This is always a really wonderful event and one of our biggest fundraisers; we will need to raise money this year for classroom resources and exciting events, such as Maypole Dancing, Miller's Ark and much, much more. If we can raise a lot of money, we are keen to have an outside classroom such as these:



We will be selling raffle tickets until 1st December; we have some amazing prizes already, including book tokens, hairdressing vouchers and wonderful hampers (which we are now famous for)!!!!

On Friday 24th November we will have a non-uniform day in return for Tombola Gifts, we would love it if:

Foundation Stage 1 and 2 could bring in Christmas Chocolate.



Year 1 could bring in Candles and Diffusers.





Year 2 could bring in bottles, such as wine or bubble bath!



We would love any sort of raffle prize, if you are able to donate one, possibly from your place of work, and any gifts for the presents for mum and dad stall, which the children always love!

Please do not feel any pressure to donate if you are unable to, but please do send your child into school in their own clothes anyway. Thank you.

If you have any gifts ready to recycle for a male or female adult, we would love you to donate them to the Presents for Mum or Dad stall, where the children can pay £3:00 to choose a present and wrap it ready for Christmas Day!

We thought socks, scarves, chocolates, key rings, anything new that you don't need anymore. Please do not send items that are not new. Thank you.



Star of the Week

I think I could have awarded 301 Star of the Week certificates this week! However, I am glad I don't have to choose, as the staff who work with the children have that hard job to do. Here are 10 wonderfully hard working and respectful children who got the certificates today! Well done!





Christmas Presents and Boxes

You will have received information from Mrs King about the Christmas Presents and Christmas Treats that have become a recent tradition at Walter Infant School and Nursery; if you would like to provide a present and some Christmas food treats for a child in school whose family may be struggling to make ends meet at this very expensive time of year, please follow this link: Walterxmas23@outlook.com perhaps a group of you might like to club together. It would be wonderful if we could provide 28 parcels!

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

Have a great weekend!

Judy Hargreaves: Headteacher