



Friday Flyer 2021

Dear Walter Families,

This has been another really exciting and busy week at Walter! On Thursday morning, we had three very special visitors to school. One was called Jo and she is a therapist for Canine Assistant Learning and the other two were tiny black labradoodle puppies (one boy who might be Walter and a little girl). Children from every class came to meet them and reported back to their classmates. Both puppies were so sweet and gentle and loved being in school. Training for staff and puppy will begin after half-term and Walter's first day will be Tuesday 8th June 2021 when he will begin his gradual introduction to school life! We will keep you posted with regular updates.



Tesco Cheque

Today we received a giant cheque from Tesco for a whopping £1000. It was presented to us by Mrs Jedrass and she loved all the work that we have done to the garden; a special thanks to Mrs Adams-Price for all her hard work. She loved all the changes we had made and we may soon be in the press!



Personal Social Relationship and Health Education

Mrs Pimm, our PSRHE Leader in school has created a presentation for all our families as we cannot yet have presentations in school. We have a new policy in line with the government expectations which you will be able to learn about from the slides and what relationships education looks like for our very young children.

Mrs Jedrass also said that Tesco in Wokingham are able to give families Lateral Flow Tests (up to four boxes per family) on request.

New Statutory Guidance

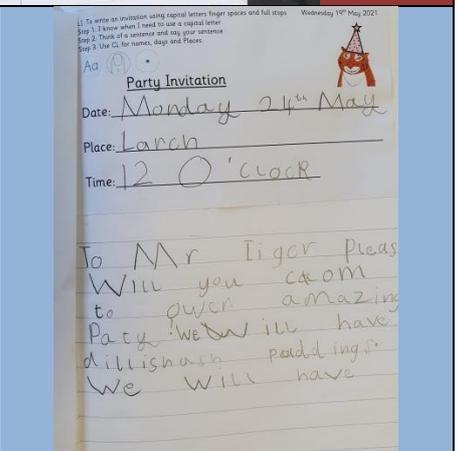
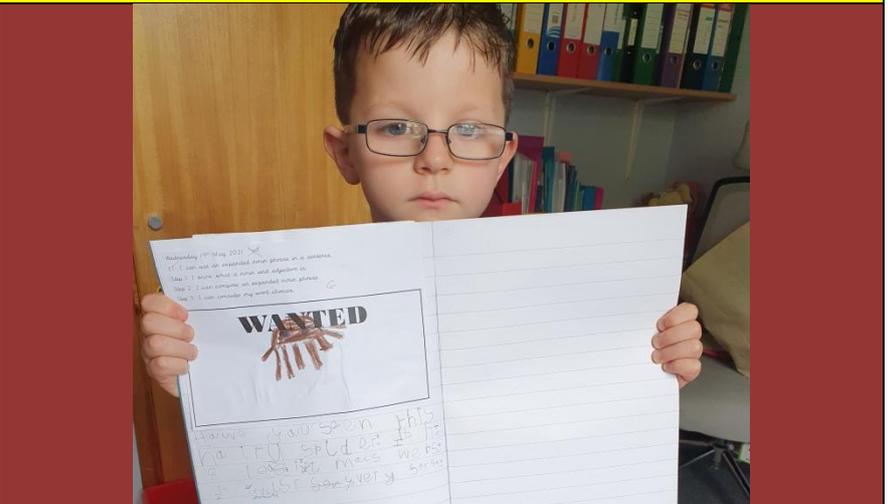
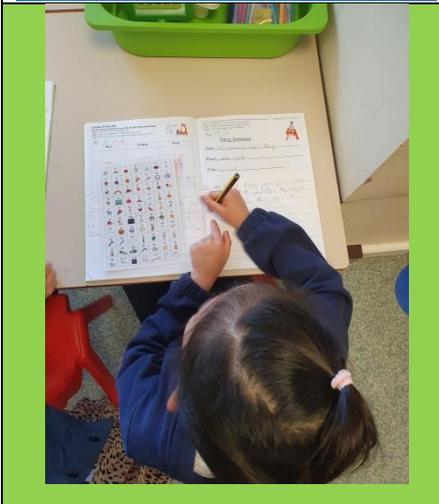
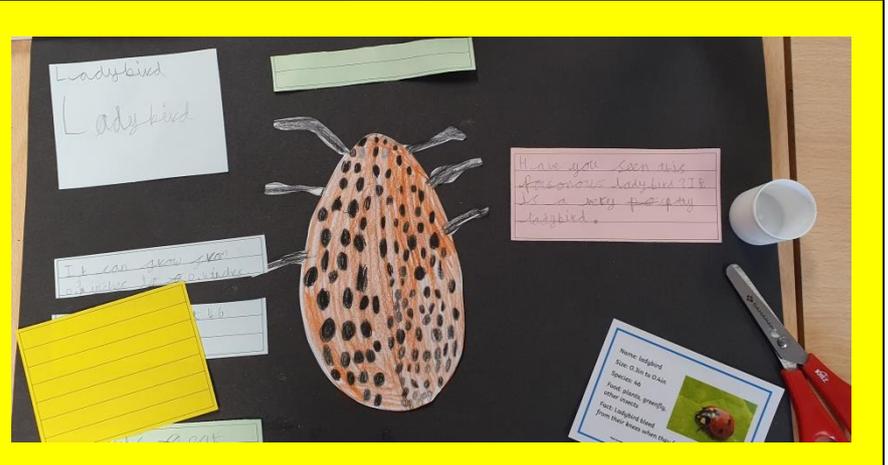
- From September 2020 Relationships Education and Health Education are now subjects that are compulsory in all primary schools.
- The Department for Education have set out objectives that all pupils should know by the end of primary school.
- We teach Relationships and Health Education within our PSRHE curriculum.

“The focus in primary school should be on teaching the fundamental building blocks and characteristics of positive relationships, with particular reference to friendships, family relationships, and relationships with other children and with adults.”

DfE guidance 2019

Our School

This week in school I have had more opportunities to visit the classes to observe the teaching and learning; it has been wonderful. Our children really do love being at school and striving to be the best that they can be in every lesson. The progress made astonishes me: this week I have seen Year 1 children dividing quantities by 2, 3 and 4 independently and accurately! The work I have seen in their books is phenomenal and the children’s ability to talk about their learning and understanding is exceptional. Here are a few things I have been lucky enough to see.



You will notice that we also had Mrs Wyatt's Praying Mantis visiting too as we have been learning about mini-beasts (I don't think it is very mini!!!!).

Headteacher's Star of the Week

These wonderful stars have all received their awards for perseverance and resilience when working independently to show us what they can do!



Up and Coming Events

On Friday 28th May you will be able to collect your orders for Krispy Kreme Donuts; you can pre-order 12 glazed donuts for £10 (which is a very good offer I understand), from the PTA by following this link: www.pta-events.co.uk/walterinfantspta.

If you would prefer to pay cash, please pop your cash in an envelope, with your child's name and class on, and post it in the letter box outside the school office.

Each box has 12 original glazed doughnuts and costs £10. There are only 40 boxes available so please order early to avoid disappointment. The doughnuts will be available to collect from the playground after school on Friday 28th May 2021.



Break the Rules Day 2021

Friday 28th May is BREAK THE RULES DAY! Children (and staff) can come to school determined to break a rule or two! For every rule the children break they have to pay 50p! We will send out a list of rules that can be broken, here are some examples:

- You must wear school uniform (come to school in whatever you like)
- You must have a healthy packed lunch (sweets or chocolates in your lunchbox)
- You must have tidy hair (you come to school with crazy hair)
- No nail varnish (you can paint your nails any colour you want to)
- No temporary tattoos (you could display a temporary tattoo)
- Only water in your water bottle (squash for one day only!)

We don't actually have school rules at Walter, we have expectations for behaviour and we would still expect that they will be maintained throughout the day. This will be a really good fun day, but also a day that reflects all our school values.

I know the poster says you can come late to school, but we would very much like the children to come to school on time, as being late will make lunch orders and registration impossible and a significant late arrival is recorded as an unauthorised absence automatically ~ Thank you. I apologise for misleading everyone.

Head Lice and Nits in Schools

We often have cases of head lice in school and this can be very distressing for children and staff. Sometimes a strain of lice can be resistant to some treatments. One of the best ways to get rid of lice is to comb conditioner through the hair from the scalp to the ends using a nit comb every day for 7 days. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



V-Tech Watches

Please do not send your children to school with camera watches as we cannot manage any images being taken and that creates many issues and goes against our privacy policies and GDPR. Thank you



Exciting Activities coming up in the Summer Term

You will have received an email this week telling you all about our exciting activities which will be taking place in school during the summer term. Sadly we are not able to have any school trips so we have brought the trips to us!

- On **Tuesday 8th May Year 1 and Year 2** will be dancing around the Maypole (please make a voluntary contribution of £3 via the website, if you can).
- On **Thursday 10th June Year 1** will have the farm coming to school: Miller's Ark ~ this will be so exciting as the children will be able to meet lots of animals from the farm, but in our school playground! (please make a voluntary contribution of £3 via the website, if you can). ~ the same will be happening for **Year 2 on Monday 14th June**.
- On **Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd** (as part of our Music and Dance week) the children from **FS2, Year 1 and Year 2** will all take part in a dance workshop about the Tokyo Olympics (please make a voluntary contribution of £3 via the website, if you can).
- Please contact Mrs Janes (in complete confidence) if you will not be able to make a contribution.

Sports Days

We are also planning our Sports Days with Jack; please put these dates in your diaries but they may have to change or be cancelled depending on the weather of the 'Road Map'!

Key Stage 1: Friday 2nd July 2021 in the morning (start time to be confirmed)
Foundation Stage: Friday 9th July 2021 in the afternoon (start time to be confirmed).

Have a wonderful weekend; hopefully you will be able to see friends and family. Please contact me if you need to on head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Best wishes

Judy Wheeler: Headteacher

Walter Infant School



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2021-2022

28th May	Break the Rules Day
28th May	Pick up your pre-ordered Krispy Kreme Doughnuts
31st May-6th June	Half Term
7th June	Inset Day – School Closed
8th June	Maypole Dance Day
10th June	Miller's Ark Y1
14th June	Miller's Ark Y2
15th June	Class Photographs
21st-22nd June	Olympics Dance Workshop
30th June-5th July	Book Fair
2nd July	Y1 and Y2 Sports Day
9th July	Foundation Stage Sports Day
21st July	End of Term – finishing 1 hour early

Please note that these dates are subject to change.

There will be other exciting events that are not yet in the diary. We will let you know dates as soon as we can.