



Walter Infant School and Nursery

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

It has been a very exciting week at Walter Infant School & Nursery. We have focused on the value of kindness. During our Star of The Week Assembly, we were able to add to our Kindness Tree in the hall. It is so wonderful to see and hear of all the kindness being shared within school. As you can see it is blossoming full of kindness!



Have you seen Nemo?

In PE with Jack this week there have been a few cheeky animals causing huge excitement! The children have been developing their ball skills using their feet. The children were using the dribbling technique in a controlled way to manoeuvre the ball around the cones. When they tapped a cone, they were able to look underneath to see if Nemo was there! Nemo was very good at hiding and kept the children applying their skills for some time. Fortunately, Ianthe in Dove was able to find Nemo!



Break the Rules Day!

Thank you to the PTA for organising our annual 'Break the rules Day!' the children had so much fun (and so did the staff) breaking the rules. We raised a whopping £412! Thank you for all your donations.

Summer Uniform

Lots of children have already started wearing their summer uniform, although there were some rather cold legs when the wind was blowing a gale on Wednesday (or Windsday as Winnie the Pooh would say)! We are very happy if the children would like to wear navy or black cycling shorts instead of leggings during the summer months. There is so much variety available for summer uniforms in the supermarkets at the moment, including little checked play suits. Please be mindful that these can be tricky to get off in a hurry when going to the toilet (especially by yourself when you are 4 or 5 years old) so much as they are super fashionable, they may not be ideal for our youngest children.



These play suits may be very difficult to take off if a younger child is trying to go to the toilet by themselves.



These could be a good alternative with a polo shirt.



Please contact the PTA for second hand uniform on walterinfantspa@gmail.com or enquire in the school office. Please also remember that we are happy for the children to wear white, sky blue or navy-blue polo shirts. Please do not send your children to school in open-toed sandals, as these can be dangerous when running and climbing.

Keeping safe

Keeping all our children safe is the responsibility of every adult in school. We always talk about adults who can help keep our children safe. This week Mrs Bennette and Mrs Hembrow arranged a visit from South Central Ambulance Service. We had two Paramedics come and deliver a talk to Foundation 1 and 2. The children learnt about the role of a Paramedic, the equipment they use and how they help in emergencies. Ivy was an excellent patient. Her heart rate and Oxygen levels were perfect. The children were able to try on some of the uniform and were able to look at the Rapid Response Car. The lights flashed and the siren was sounded. The children loved the experience and were so knowledgeable sharing what they found out.

The Paramedics shared with the children and staff that it is important for ALL children to know in an emergency to dial 999 from a phone. It is also important for children to know their address. This information was shared in assembly this morning with all the children. Please can you spend some time helping your child learn and remember their address.

We will have some more visitors over the coming weeks to help the children learn about keeping safe.

Finally, thank you to Mrs Hembrow for arranging the visit.



LifeVac Training

Today many of our staff, across all departments have taken part in LifeVac Training. We have a LifeVac machine in school which was kindly donated by Alfie in Sycamore's Mummy and Daddy, Mr & Mrs Morris. We are extremely grateful to have this and the knowledge to use it as another support to help keep all our children safe.

https://www.lifevac.uk/schools/?_gl=1*1nabp2j*_up*MQ..&gclid=EAlaIQobChMI3ofc18XfhQMV7JVQBh165QrNEAAYASAAEgL8M_D_BwE



Medicines in School

I would like to remind all parents that we can only administer and have medication on site that have been prescribed by a doctor and dispensed by a pharmacist. Please do not put any form of medication in your child's book bag e.g. Bonjela or Savlon. All this information can you can find in our Managing Medicines and Illness in School Policy on the school website.

Bags to School

Thank you for all your donations. The train was full! All the donations were weighed and we have raised £178.46 for the school as well as helping others in need.



Gymnastics

We have our new Gymnastics club running from 7.30am on a Friday morning. We still have a few spaces available. If you would like your child to join, please speak with Mrs Hemmings in the office and she will signpost you how to join.



Star 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/>

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.

If you have anything you need to send/discuss with any member of staff, please email admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk and this will be sent to the relevant person for a response.

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