

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well during this very difficult time and that those of you who are home schooling are finding ways to manage the lessons around your children and your work lives; I can imagine that it must be very challenging. We have adapted our remote education provision from next week and will be releasing our pre-recorded lessons first thing each day. Parents will be able to access the learning at any time (when it is most convenient for each individual household). Please remember that you do not have to do everything all in one go! If you have any worries or concerns, please contact your class teacher directly; we have shared all the direct email addresses with you but here they are again just in case! Please see all the home learning correspondence that has been sent via email as it may answer some of your questions.

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If your child is on our Special Needs register please contact Mrs Walker on louise.walker@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Our teachers have received some wonderful work from the children and loved having the live catch up sessions (although we did experience some technical difficulties, especially for Larch Class who will try again today). We will be sharing the work in our gallery on the website as well as in the Friday Flyer. We have loved watching the amazing videos that have come in too; there are definitely some future media stars in our school! All the teachers will feedback regularly and may also send images of stickers and rewards and even certificates:

Please complete the engagement charts and share them with your teachers; we sent them out yesterday. We will award certificates for good and improved engagement from home.



Leo in Beech Class is the first recipient of our <u>Engagement Certificate</u>; Miss Rose was so impressed by how hard he has been working! Well done Leo!



We have also decided to award Home Stars of the Week; those children will already have received their certificates rewarding their efforts to complete their school work at home to the best of their ability.

Our home stars this week are:

- 4 Alice in Sycamore for wonderful writing and maths work
- Maia in Willow for writing an excellent story based on 'Where the Wild Things Are' containing lots of adjectives and adverbs.
- Aanya in Beech for writing fantastic 'Did you know' questions during her home learning. She has been working so hard at home and sent in so much work for me to see!
- Anjana in Pine for her beautiful work
- Max in Oak for his superb handwriting in English

- Eloise Page from Larch for working extremely hard at home; she successfully used the conjunctions <u>'and'</u> and <u>'because'</u> in her writing!
- Saskia from Robin for her enthusiasm towards home learning and producing lots of lovely work!
- Joel from Magpie for his dedication to learning and for producing some amazing work!
- 4 Aidan from Dove for his brilliant writing and engagement with home learning!
- Emily from Woodpecker for engaging with home learning and applying her phonic knowledge in her writing.

Work from home

Here are a few examples of the wonderful work we have received since the lockdown began;













You can see this amazing teaching video on our website!



You will find a Friday Assembly entitled <u>Key Worker School</u>; I hope it will help our very young children to understand why some of their friends are coming to school whilst they have to remain at home and of course vice versa. Please find it on the Walter Tube page of our website. The children in school have watched this in their classrooms.

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If you do not have internet access or a screen that your child can use, please contact me immediately on <u>head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk</u> as the Department for Education are not issuing laptops or ipads to Infant Schools!

We will deliver 12 brand new Kindle 7 Fire Tablets this afternoon; if your child receives Pupil Premium Funding and you do not have suitable devices for them to learn from at home please let us know as soon as possible.

If you can access 'Youtube' through your television, you will be able to watch all our videos, including our recorded lessons.

If you do not have printing facilities, please contact Mrs Janes or Mrs Hemmings on <u>admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk</u> or telephone on 01189780825.

Lots of people have requested our Learning Tools packs; we will arrange for them to be collected from Monday. If you cannot collect a pack we will be happy to drop one off.

Thank you

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to Wokingham Foodbank which has so kindly donated some biscuits for the children in school to have as snacks as we are not receiving milk or fruit at the moment. (I can't help thinking some members of staff might indulge in one or two). We really appreciate the wonderful generosity of our community!



Free School Meals for Walter Children

I am sure many of you have seen some photographs of the free school meal lunches that have been delivered to children up and down the country! I wanted to assure you that our children have received a much more satisfactory offer. For the first week, each child received a Morrison's Hamper which provides 7 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 7 snacks and a bottle of squash.



Since 11th January our children have each received a £15 supermarket voucher (of the recipients choice) and will continue to do so until the lockdown is over. The vouchers are for families who are entitled to free school meals and pupil premium funding.

Key Worker School Stars

We have 6 super stars in school who have also been working extremely hard:



Here are some displays of the work the children have been completing in school:







Key Worker School Packed Lunches

The menu for packed lunches for our Key Worker Children is varied and nutritious and the children seem to enjoy them; all the children in school at the moment can have a packed lunch free of charge for all infant children.

The lunches are made by Louise our school cook on site and everything is prepared freshly each day.



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 04/01/2021 18/01/2021 01/02/2021 22/02/2021 08/03/2021 22/03/2021	Ham and Cucumber Sandwich Cheese Sandwich Vegan Mexican Roll	Cheese & Cucumber Baguette Tuna Mayo & Sweet Com Baguette Pasta Pot - Cheese & Tomato	Ham Sandwich Cheese Wrap Sausage Roll Pasta Pot – Tuna & Sweet Corn	Chicken Sausage Baguette Egg Mayo Sandwich Cheese & Cucumber Sandwich Pasta Pot – Sausage & Tomato	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Sice Ham & Cheese Pizza Sice Fish Finger Wrap – Tomato Sauce
	Crudités	Crudités	Crudités	Crudités	Crudités
	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit
	Vanilla Cookie	Marble Cake	Fruity Flapjack	Carrot & Courgette Cake	Vanilla Cookie
Week 2 11/01/2021 25/01/2021 08/02/2021 01/03/2021 15/03/2021 29/03/2021	Ham Salad Wrap Sausage Roll Cheese & Cucumber Wrap Pasta Pot - Cheese & Tomato	Sausage Sandwich Egg Mayo & Cress Baguette Cheese Salad Sandwich	Ham & Cucumber Wrap Vegan Sausage Roll Pasta Pot – Tuna & Sweet Corn	Egg Mayo Baguette Chicken Mayo & Sweetcorn Baguette Pasta Pot – Roasted Veg	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Slice Ham & Cheese Pizza Slice Fish Finger Sandwich
	Crudités	Crudités	Crudités	Crudités	Crudités
	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit	Fresh piece of Fruit
	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie	Chocolate Cookie	Peach Upside down cake	Chocolate & Apple Sponge	Spanish Cookie

Thank you PTA for all your help and support

Thank you so much to everyone who helps to support the school as a member of the PTA or by contributing to help raise money to improve the quality of experiences for

our wonderful children in school. Hopefully we will have a wonderful new climbing frame very soon.



This is an incredible amount of money to raise; especially during social distancing and lockdown.

Remote Learning Provision

To access the home learning you need to visit our website:



https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website then click on the home learning link:

Home Learning

Then 'Home Learning Resources'

Home Learning Resources

Welcome to our Walter Home Learning page. We are constantly updating this area with lots of resources, activities and things to try at home so keep checking this area of the website. Please visit your child's year group page by following the relevant link to the left for more things. Also, remember to visit and sign up to our Walter Tube YouTube channel.

We have produced home learning packs for each year group. You will find lots of activities, resources, lesson videos and links for websites with activities to keep your children busy at home.

Click



Then click on the work for your child's year group, for example:

Year One



You will find all the recorded lessons for you to watch with your child and to learn alongside them: encourage your child to call out answers and responses to the questions and challenges posed. We will be updated our website daily.

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If you cannot access the videos this way, try loggin on via this link:



You will be able to access all our recorded sessions from stories to songs, daily PE lessons to do at home with Jack and all your Mathematics, English and Phonics Learning.

On our website you will also find a document called Remoted Education Provision:

REMOTE EDUCATION PROVISION

This tab will take you to a document that outlines how we will be delivering our remote learning for home schooling.

We are expected to offer 3 hours of learning each day for primary school children (therefore children up to the age of 11). Our youngest children in Robin, Dove, Magpie and Woodpecker learn through play and they play a lot; 80% of their learning in school is child initiated and 20% adult directed.

We recommend that the children in Foundation Stage 2 still play for most of the day but also watch a Literacy Development Lesson and follow the learning, a Mathematics Development lesson, some phonics, some reading and some PE. They could then play inside and outside exploring their own toys, access Education City or Purple Mash or watch some good quality television programmes. Jigsaws and board games are wonderful opportunities for learning, so are construction toys and of course role play.

We can help!



If you have a problem, big or small, we may be able to help: we can help with food vouchers for the Food Bank. We can help with warm clothes and bedding. We can 'sign post' you to get help for fuel bills, we can provide paper, pens, colouring pencils.

Parent Survey

Our governors will be sending out our parent survey electronically next week; we are very keen to understand how everyone feels about our school. We will be sending our usual questions as well as questions relating to the changes that have come about due to the pandemic. Please complete the survey (which can be completed on a telephone) and return to us as soon as possible. Thank you so much.

Pupil Premium Funding

If you experiencing financial hard ship please get in touch with us; we may be able to help. If you have had a change to your circumstances, your child may be entitled to Pupil Premium Funding? If you contact Mrs Janes or Mrs Hemmings in the office they will be able to send you a form to complete. If your family are eligible, we will be able to register you for the Free School Meals Voucher Scheme which is £15 per child.

You may be able to claim if you are in receipt of:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

We are so proud of the children coming to school and of those working so hard at home; if you need any help or advice please contact us. Please can I ask you to demonstrate our Walter Values when you communicate with staff and with each other? Thank you

Best wishes; keep safe and well.

Judy Wheeler Headteacher

