

Friday Flyer 2022

Dear Walter Families,

Happy Friday Everyone; the sun is shining, the children are smiling and laughing and Walter has been learning all about Capacity with Oak class.



### **Comic Relief**

The children are having so much fun today; we have all been getting excited as the week has gone by and my colleagues and I have loved seeing the amazing talents in the many videos we received; you can view the shows by following these links. Prepare to be amazed and very well entertained.

https://youtu.be/VG79-8oYn5o Foundation Stage

https://youtu.be/upscOByaAwA Year One

https://youtu.be/zLWVADxpaY0 Year Two

Get yourselves some popcorn and settle down for a really fun time!

So far we have sold 160 noses (we will buy more next year); making £120 and £223.00 as donations at the start of the day. We will have the buckets out at the end of the day too.

The money we have raised can help in so many ways:



Here is the power of our pounds.



£5 could provide support to a young person in the UK through a mental health helpline or live online chat.



£50 could provide 200 reading books for children in Uganda.



£100 could buy mobility aids for five young disabled people in Malawi.



£300 could get 1200 meals to children and families most in need in the UK.

Our wonderful children loved dressing up in the clothes and colours that make them happy;







### **Teaching Vacancy**

We are looking to recruit a part time fully qualified teacher or newly qualified teacher for a job share in Year 1 from the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2022. The vacancy is for a teacher to work two and a half days a week, planning and delivering the teaching and learning opportunities for 30 Year One children in partnership with another teacher and a full-time Learning Support Assistant. We will be advertising from next week so please look out for the advert on our website. If you know anyone who is teaching elsewhere and would like to teach at the best school ever! Please let them know that we are looking for a kind, caring and nurturing teacher (who really likes children) and someone who enjoys having fun in a school where no two days are the same.

### **Parent Teacher Association PTA Easter Egg Hunt**

The PTA are raising funds for the new Reading Garden by organising an Easter Hunt which will take place on 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6th of April during the school day. The children will be invited to go into the playground with their teacher and search for a hidden Easter Bunny to then decorate. The children will also be given a sweet treat to enjoy. Please visit <a href="www.pta-events.co.uk/walterinfantspta">www.pta-events.co.uk/walterinfantspta</a> to pay £2 for each child. You can also pay by cash – please put £2 in an envelope, add your child's name and class on the front and post it in the red letterbox by the school office.

### A message from the PTA

A resident of Alexandra Grange Care Home will be 100 Years of Age on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March and they have started a campaign to celebrate his birthday in a very special way. They would love for him to receive 100 birthday cards, one for each year of his life on his birthday. Will you take part? Let's give Brian a birthday to remember. The poster below has all the information you need.



### Stars of the Week

All these children have worked so hard this week to be the best they can be. Their teachers and classmates are all so proud of them. It was lovely to hear other children congratulating our stars.



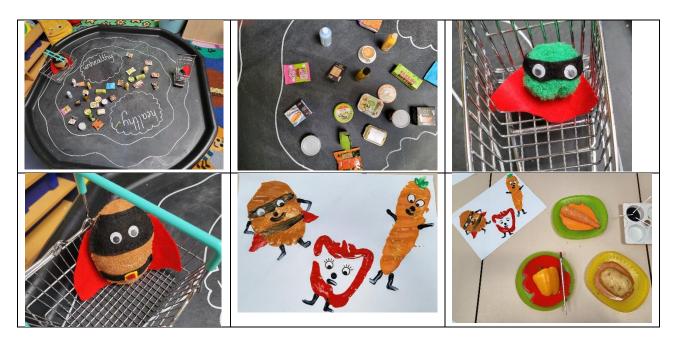
# **Computing Lessons**

Our Foundation Stage Two children had their first lessons in the Computing Suite in school this week and they were incredible. They have already been learning in the classroom about Internet safety and this week it was time to begin the practical aspects of learning. We were all so impressed; Mrs Prickett came to get me as she was so delighted when she saw them working so sensibly and so positively. They were drawing scenes from 'Supertato' (so there were quite a lot of peas)!

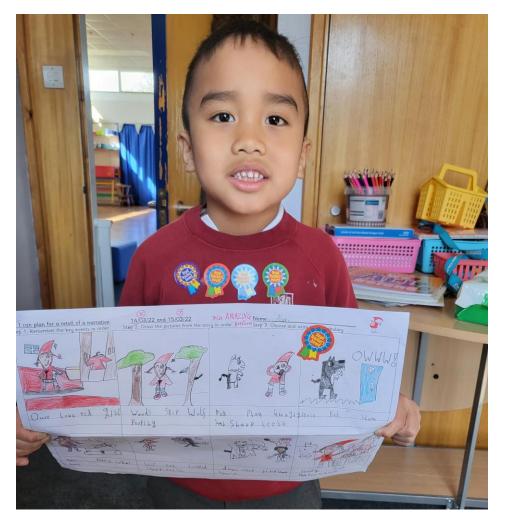


### What's been happening?

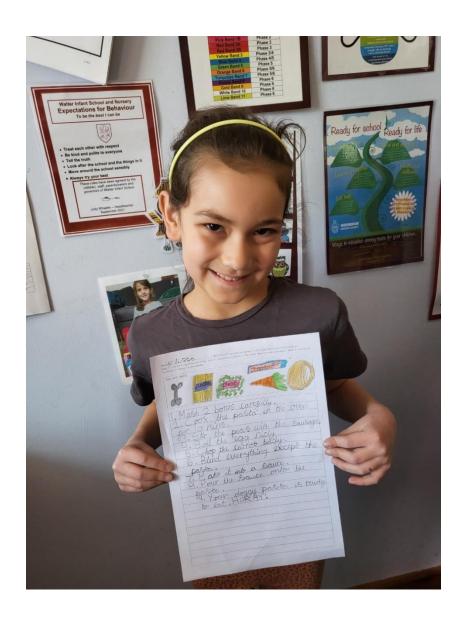
The work that the children have produced this week has been exceptional. I was delighted by the wonderful activities in Foundation Two for the children to support their learning about Supertato! Watch out for the Evil Pea, he seems to be everywhere!



Alex has produced the most incredible story map for Little Red: I was so amazed by his talent that I gave him 10 Headteacher's Awards! The most ever in the history of time!



Isla has also impressed us all with her recipe for Doggy Pasta (they have been learning all about Shifty McGifty and Slippery Sam)! I am so proud of her excellent vocabulary choices as well as her brilliant illustrations!





African Drumming in Year 1
Miss Veale (who is one our Music Specialists) taught African Drumming to each Year 1 class; they loved it.



# **Covid 19 Vaccinations for 4 to 11 year old children**

I have been informed by Wokingham Borough Council that vaccinations for 4 to 11 year olds will not be managed as part of the school vaccination process and will need to be booked through your GP surgery from the start of the Easter holidays.

### Walter



# **Dates for your Diary**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022** will be our Spring Parent Consultations evening from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022** our school will be closed for lessons and open for Parent Consultations; 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. We will have a creche facility for children to attend when their parents are meeting with teachers.

### **Pupil Premium Funding Changes**

There have been some changes to the requirements for families who 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! Please visit this link to see if your child may be entitled to the grant.

Your child may be entitled to this funding which can be used to pay for clubs, uniform, additional support, one to one sessions, 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-based Employment and Support Allowance.
- 4) Child Tax Credit
- 5) Pension Credit.

Working tax credit

- 6) Support as a result of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- 7) Universal Credit (if a household is earning less than £7,400 per year)

As stated previously, any child that is currently receiving free school meals is eligible for pupil premium funding. It's incredibly important that parents make the school aware that their child is eligible for this as it will automatically allow the school to receive extra funding that will go towards the betterment of their child's education.

Please contact Mrs Janes in the office to find out more or follow this link <a href="https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-information-and-services/free-school-meals-and-the-pupil-premium/">https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-information-and-services/free-school-meals-and-the-pupil-premium/</a>

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# **Walter Infant School**



# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2022-2023**

Foundation Easter Hunt
Year 1 Easter Hunt
Year 2 Easter Hunt
Spring Parent Consultations
Funny Bunny Competition Chocolate Tombola
End of Term (finishing 1 hour early)
Spring Parent Consultations
Class School Photos

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.