



Walter Infant School and Nursery

Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Year Two went to Legoland

This week all of our Year 2 children went to Legoland; they had a wonderful time. They learned so much to support their learning in Geography. The children need to know all about the 7 continents and 5 oceans and our children were able to share their knowledge expertly. Mrs McDonough led the trip and said that the children were absolutely amazing. So well-behaved, so polite, so happy and all demonstrating our Walter Values. The staff at Legoland and other members of the public commented on the exemplary behaviours from all the children. I am so proud.





The children said it was the best school trip ever!

Lunchtime Controllers @ Walter

We would like to appoint two new Lunchtime Controllers to work 5 days a week during the children's lunch break. This is a very rewarding job, as you are able to join a happy supportive team, within our wonderful school staff and spend an hour or so helping the children to eat their hot dinners or packed lunches, supporting them with self-care and first aid and supervising or joining in with their play. Our children

are extremely well-behaved, they have impeccable manners are they are really good fun to be around! If you would like to know more about they role please contact Mrs Pugh on finance@walter.wokingham.sch.uk for an application pack. This is a wonderful opportunity to begin a new career in a school!

Exciting News: hot dinners in Robin

After the half-term break, which begins next Friday 25th October 2024 at our usual finishing times, Nursery children will be able to have a hot school lunch. For more information, if you haven't registered already, speak to Mrs Hemmings in the school office on lynette.hemmings@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Flu Immunisations

The school nursing team will be in school on Tuesday 22nd October 2024 to administer the flu immunisations.



flu: 5 reasons
to vaccinate your child



- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

If you haven't filled in the consent form, by following the link an email previously sent, please can you do so by the end of Sunday evening. Mrs Hemmings has sent you a form; you will need to fill this in whether you would like your child to have the immunisation or not. Children in Robin are not included.

Bags to School

Thank you so much for bringing your bags to school today: we have managed to raise £51:00 (which is less than usual, but every little helps).

Halloween Craft Packs and Diwali Craft Packs

Our wonderful PTA will be selling craft packs at the end of the day today; they are wonderful (I am going to be buying them for my grandchildren). Please buy a pack or two to help raise money for the school, to extend your children's cultural knowledge and to enable you to have some fun with your children over the weekend or half term. They are £3:00 each.



Emma in Robin Class

Emma took part in a Library Challenge and was awarded a certificate for reading so many books: well done Emma.



Shardul in Sycamore Class

I would like to share Shardul's achievement in football. He is part of Wokingham town football team (panther) under 7's. Last Saturday he won the player of the match trophy. He was so happy to receive it .



Bilingua Sing at Bracknell Library

Cari Weston, one of our parents and the leader of our Spanish Club at school is running a free Spanish song and craft session at Bracknell Library on Thursday October 31 at 10am. It is suitable for 4-8 year olds and there's no need to book, the children can just turn up and join in the seasonal fun! They will be learning about Day of the Dead, along with some appropriate Spanish words.

Bilingua Sing

Love Learning Languages

Multi-Award Winning!

FREE Spanish Halloween session

Thursday 31st October, 10am

A fun, **FREE** Spanish song and craft session – suitable for ages 4–8

Find out more about Día de los Muertos / Day of the Dead and have some fun!

Bracknell Library, RG12 1BH

Learning a second language has a whole range of developmental benefits for your child:

- It boosts their brain power
- It enhances their speech development
- It increases their self-confidence

No knowledge of Spanish needed – everything will be in English too!

**“ No need to book – just turn up !
Suitable for children aged 4–8 years ”**

cari@bilinguasing.com

Harvest Festival in School

We will have our Harvest Festival in school on Friday 25th October 2024; the children will learn about Harvest during the week and why we celebrate harvest in school! We will be collecting for Wokingham Foodbank and our own Walter's Pantry! We would be very grateful to receive tins of fruit, vegetables, meat and fish, pasta, tea bags, rice, coffee, cereal, soup, biscuits, crisps, toothpaste, baby wipes, jam, pasta sauce and long-life milk.

At the foodbank they are specifically asking for:

- Soup
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned meals (eg. curry, chilli, casserole)
- Tinned fruit
- Hotdogs
- Coffee
- Tinned pies
- Snacks (eg. cereal bars, crisps, noodles)
- Long life fruit juice
- Washing up liquid
- Antibacterial cleaning spray



We will be filming the children singing during the Harvest Festival and we will share the films at the end of the day so that you will be able to listen to their beautiful singing and maybe spot your children as their classes and year groups perform.



Some of our staff and families have already registered for Asda Rewards **Cashpot for Schools** and we already have £85 of donations ~ thank you so much. Please help us to raise more, if you shop at Asda.

Cashpot for Schools is a donation initiative operated by Asda, whereby Asda will donate 0.5% of Qualifying Purchases during the Qualifying Period to eligible schools.

- **To participate: Participant must be a registered Asda Rewards member. Participants must opt in to the 'Cashpot' for Schools initiative via the Asda Rewards app.**
- **Participants must select a school, hopeful Walter Infant School and Nursery, for Asda to donate 0.5% of the participants Qualifying Purchase.**

Easthampstead Park Christmas Parties

Easthampstead Park are celebrating Christmas in style: ***Dazzling Entertainment, Great Food & Magical Memories Await.***

For more information please follow this link: [Christmas Themed Parties In Berkshire | Easthampstead Park \(eastpark.co.uk\)](http://www.easthampsteadpark.co.uk/Christmas-Themed-Parties-In-Berkshire)



Stars of the Week

10 fantastic stars who have all been incredibly resilient this week, and wonderful representatives for our school





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 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/>

Children who receive Pupil Premium Funding in school can attend an after school or morning club (excluding Junior Adventures), free of charge. Please speak with Mrs Hemmings in the office to see what is available. Unfortunately, we do not have any more spaces for I-Rock at the moment.

And finally,...

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.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Judy Hargreaves: Headteacher



Calendar Dates for Parents Autumn 2024



21 st and 23 rd October 2024	Parent Consultations – Face to Face	3:30 till 6:30 pm
22 nd October 2024	Flu Immunisations Y1 & Y2 African Drumming Workshop	Am All Day
26 th October 2024	PTA ~ Cake Sale	After School
28 th October 2024	Half Term	
11 th – 15 th November	Anti-Bullying Week	
11 th November	Remembrance Day	
29 th November 2024	Christmas Fair	3.30 – 5.30pm
10 th December 2024	Beech Class Nativity – For Parents	2pm
11 th December 2024	Larch Nativity – For Parents	2pm

12 th December 2024	Oak Nativity – For Parents	2pm
18 th December 2024	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the children)	
18 th December 2024	Christmas Lunch	11.30 – 1pm
18 th December 2024	Y2 Singing Extravaganza – For Parents	2pm
20 th December 2024	Last Day of Term (Children finish 1 hour early)	

Further dates to be added. All Dates may be subject to change. Please continue to check the website calendar and the Friday Flyer.