



# Friday Flyer 2022

Dear Walter Families,

We have become aware that some children, particularly in Foundation Stage 2 are arriving very late for school, sometimes after 9:00 am. This means they have already missed a significant part of the day as it is when the children take the register, choose their lunches and share their news, before finding out what learning and activities will be taking place. They also miss out on the social aspects of meeting in the playground in the morning and coming into school through the correct entrances (all part of our routine to make school a safe and happy place to be). Please allow enough time in the morning to allow for roadworks, traffic jams, breakfast and toileting routines, so that your child can benefit from every minute of the school day. Thank you.

## Census

The census took place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022; we had a total of 290 children in school. There were 257 in Foundation Stage 2, Year 1 and Year 2 out of a possible 270 and 254 chose to have a school lunch. This is great news and we would all like to say a huge thank you for your support.

## New School Council Members

And here are our final 9 members; at the moment we are getting ready for our Fundraising Art Exhibition to raise money for Ukrainian Refugees so we need all these new members to help us. The Summer Term Members from FS2 and Year 1 will continue in September. Well done to Evie, Samuel, Bethany, Elissa, Aiden, Toby, Layan, Max, Amber and Josiah. We will have our first meeting next week.





### Jubilee Party

So... not long now until we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next Friday on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (which is also the last day of this half term which has flown by) ~ we will celebrate in the garden and finish school at the usual times of 3:15, 3:20 and 3:30 pm.

Please send your child to school in any red, white and blue combination (jeans are fine) there is no need to buy anything new, just fashion an outfit from the clothes the children have already. Any additions like hats or flags will be very much appreciated. The school will be decorated with bunting and we will have our picnics outside in the school gardens from 2:00 pm. There will; be singing, dancing and games and a very special raffle; every child in school (304) will have their name in a hat. Mrs Prickett will draw just one name from the hat and the child will win a coveted Jubilee Bear! There will also be a small memento for every child to commemorate the Jubilee!



The garden fences will be strung with red, white and blue bunting, made from the children's hand prints!

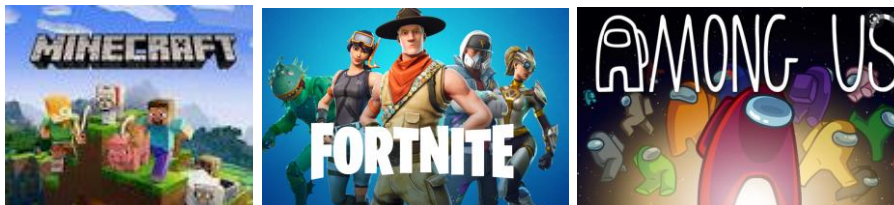
On **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May** every child will bring home a red, white and blue plate for their picnic; please send some sweet and savoury treats for your child only for example, a packet of crisps, a wrapped cake or biscuit and a piece of fruit. We will not have the facilities to refrigerate the food so please do not send meat or fish. Please remember we are a NO NUTS school. If you are unable to provide something due to the high cost of food, please let us know and we will provide something for your child so they do not miss out. They will not need to bring a drink!





### Online Safety

All our children are very young and yet they tell us about the films, television programmes and videos they watch which are certainly not suitable to their age or stage of development. None of our children should be watching any film above a U certificate unaccompanied as there may well be content that could scare or confuse them, causing worries, anxieties and even nightmares. This is also the same for computer games, Youtube and Tiktok; the algorithms are set to introduce more and more content and even with parental controls in place. This week alone I have been told that a 4-year-old has watched Jurassic Park (which is terrifying) and that children in Year 2 have been playing Minecraft, Fortnite and Among Us (all for much older children and all include death and violence, including ghosts and zombies). There are so many wonderful games and programmes that are age appropriate and will not cause nightmares or worries; please make sure your children are not hearing or seeing things they cannot possibly understand fully. Let them grow up slowly, in their own time, having fun and playing age appropriate games.



You can follow this link to find out more about Among Us which has a PEGI 7 rating which means they have judged it to be 7+ <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/among-us-parents-guide>

Fortnite has a PEGI rating of 12 <https://metro.co.uk/2021/08/24/fortnite-what-is-the-age-rating-and-are-there-parental-controls-15144972/>

Minecraft has a PEGI rating of 7+ <https://funtech.co.uk/latest/is-minecraft-ok-suitable-for-7-year-olds>

For further information, please read our Online Safety Policy on the school website: we have devised our own online safety scheme called Robot which explains all your children need to know in language they can completely understand.



## e-safety for 4 to 7 year olds

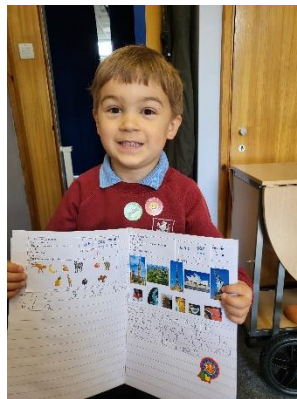
### Noah in Oak

Noah has been amazingly kind and decided to donate his £50 money from Eid to Walter Infant School and Nursery; this is so generous and demonstrates how clearly Noah understands our values of Empathy, Kindness and Respect. We are all so proud of him as this is his third values badge.



### Thomas in Dove

Thomas has made the most exceptional progress with his writing; he has received a headteacher's award for writing three excellent sentences. Well done Thomas!



### Devon in Robin

Devon has earned a Values Badge for demonstrating extreme kindness to a new arrival in his household! Devon's family have welcome rescue dog Basil from Cyprus and Devon is doing all he can to care for him. Well done Devon and welcome to Basil.



### **Boril's mum sent these wonderful pictures of Boril's achievements**

*“Boril from Sycamore class would love to share with you and the rest of the school his very recent soccer success. He reached top of the league and became a black winner finalist this season, winning East Berkshire Football Alliance Trophy for U7 age group with his team at Finchamstead Football Club. At the end of the season ceremony last weekend, Boril was also awarded the club trophy for “outstanding attitude”.*

Well done Boril we are all very proud of you!



### **Samuel and Evan**

Evan (the goal keeper) and Samuel helped their team Wokingham and Emmbrook Panthers to a 7-1 victory in the BYDL U7 Cup final! Well done boys.

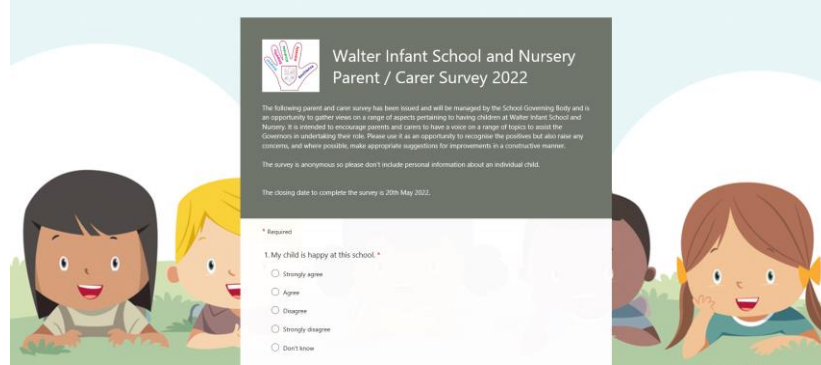


**Last Day!!!! Parent/Carer Survey WE WOULD LOVE A REPSONSE FROM EVERYONE!**

Please can I politely request that you find a few moments to complete the Parent/Carer Survey; we are very keen to learn from the information you share with us so that we know

what we do well and what we could do better. We would be very grateful if you could complete the survey by 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7kkUbV8v4kKKrpNPMDEeRyxhsvdYQhhBhr7QjbbQuAVUMVA3V1pQWVhNSjJVSE81MlcyMUVCWUxVQS4u>



### Parent Governor ~ Watch this Space!

We are hoping to recruit a parent governor for our school. You will all have received the information sent out earlier in the week by our Chair of Governors Ghislene Lokuciewski. It would be wonderful if there were a parent out there with an interest in Health and Safety and building maintenance who would be able to help us improve our school and keep it safe. Please get in touch if that might be you! Find out more by following this link

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/5-great-reasons-become-school-governor> or by visiting <https://www.nga.org.uk/Home.aspx>



### Doughie's Pizzas

The PTA have teamed up with Doughies for a fun family night in. Order your pizza and cookie making kits and you'll receive everything you need to make artisan margherita pizzas (regular or vegan), and warm gooey cookies in your home oven. Orders can be placed via the Doughies link below by **Saturday 21st May** and collected at school pick up on Friday 27th May. The PTA receives £2 for every pizza kit and £1 for every cookie kit sold. All money received will go towards the reading garden.

<https://doughies.co.uk/products/walter-rq41>



I am definitely going to be placing an order!

## Phonics Meeting in School

We would like to invite parents and carers to attend a meeting to find out more about the Phonics Screening Check in Year 1. The meeting will take place on **Wednesday 25th May 2022**. The meeting will take place in the school hall at 2:45 pm. If you are unable to attend the meeting will be recorded and shared on the school website.

The meeting will be an opportunity for us to share information about the screening check, our arrangements that will be in place in school and how you can support your child at home. We hope you will be able to attend.



## Stars of the Week



## And Finally,

We have lots of very exciting events coming up in the next few weeks; we will keep you updated by email. Here are just a few!

- **27th May Jubilee Party**
- **INSET DAY:** Monday 6th June
- **7th June:** Phonics Screening week for Year 1 and a few members of Year 2
- **8th and 9th June** Woolley Firs
- We have Maypole Dancing 22nd June all day
- **KS1 Sports Day** 24th June in the morning at St Paul's with parents

- FS Sports Day 1st July here with parents
- 9th July (Saturday) School Fair
- 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> July Year 2 Performance “The Bee Musical”
- 14th July Leavers Disco 4:30 – 6:00pm
- 19th July Leavers Assemblies (Y2) x 3
- 19th July End of Term~ finishing an hour early

Have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

**Judy Wheeler Headteacher**