



Friday Flyer!

Dear Walter Families,

We have had a VERY busy week this week; so many new children visiting who are going to be joining us in September and our Year 2 children visiting St. Paul's as well as Year 3 children coming to visit us!

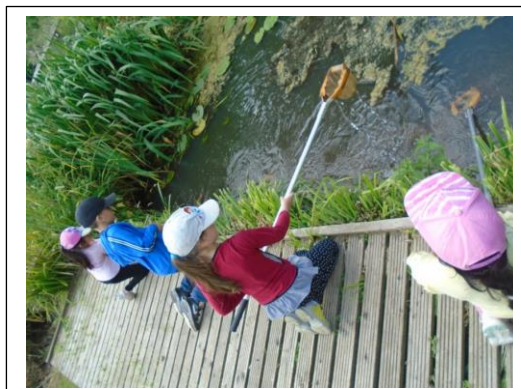
Visit from the Mayor

On Tuesday the Mayor of Wokingham, Mayor Lyn Forbes, visited our school to judge our gardens for the Wokingham in Bloom competition. We were so proud of our children, who showed her everything and spoke so knowledgeably and with confidence about the plants, the properties of growth and our sustainable habitats. Keep your fingers crossed that we win! I would like to thank Mrs Adams-Price and Mrs Coyne for running our gardening club; it has been so successful and the children love it. I have placed more photographs on the website.



Woolley Firs

Year 2 had two wonderful trips to Woolley Firs Education Centre; they had so much fun pond dipping, bug hunting with butterfly nets, searching for habitats and learning so much about some of our indigenous species; some children caught newts! The children loved it and so did the staff! The staff and Woolley Firs commented on the exemplary behaviour and incredible knowledge of our children; saying they were the best group they had ever had! We are so proud of our children.





Bullying Behaviour in School

As you know, we take bullying behaviour concerns very seriously; all our staff have received ABA (Anti-bullying Association) training so that we can ensure our children know what bullying behaviour is and what to do about it. The children understand that bullying behaviour is repeated behaviour, so happens more than once. In our Anti-bullying and Equality Policy it clearly states that:

*"We define bullying as the **repeated and deliberate** action by an individual or a group that is an attempt to control/have power over an individual. A conflict between two equals is not considered bullying.*

The school does not typically interpret these situations as bullying:

- *Naturally boisterous behaviour*
- *The tendency to boss whoever is around*

Bullying can be:

- *Physical – hitting, kicking, taking belongings*
- *Verbal – name calling, insulting, making offensive remarks*
- *Indirect – spreading nasty stories about someone, exclusion from social groups, being made the subject of malicious rumours.*

Bullying may include discrimination, harassment and victimisation and may be associated with race, disability, Special Educational Needs, sex, religion or belief, sexual orientation, or other vulnerable groups."

The children at Walter Infant School and Nursery are extremely kind and considerate of others; they reflect our values in all their behaviours and I am delighted to say that we have had no bullying incidents this year.



Walk to School Week

Next week, beginning 8th July 2019, it is our Walk to School Week; this is the last event we need to secure our bronze accreditation Modeshift Stars and hopefully funding for another scooter rack! The children can walk part of the way to school if you drive and choose to walk from a parking spot further away than usual. Children who usually cycle or scoot could have a week off and walk to school!



Amazing Learners

Every day I see wonderful teaching and learning in our school; I have just been lucky enough to bump into Dennis in Foundation Stage; he has built a whole farm by himself and he tells me it took a whole hour! What a really good example of resilience; well done Dennis.



What's going on?

There is so much happening in the next couple of weeks and we appreciate that we have sent out a lot of correspondence via email or text; sorry. Here is a brief update of what to expect before the end of term.

Foundation Stage have their Sports Day on Friday 12th July at 1:45 pm. All parents are invited BUT the morning Robin children MUST have an adult with them if they come in the afternoon. Thank you.

Year 1 will have their Great British Tea Party on Wednesday 10th July (please remember your donation of 50p thank you) the children can come to school dressed in red, white and blue.

We will have our I-Rock Concert on Friday 12th July at 2:30 pm; when you come into school please be mindful of the children who are having their sports day and ensure the gate is shut behind you. An adult will be supervising the gate.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 10th July Violin Concert at 9:00

Wednesday 10th July Year One Great British Tea Party

Friday 12th July Foundation Stage Stay and Play

Friday 12th July I-Rock Concert

Tuesday 16th July 2:00 pm Pine Leaver's Performance for parents

Wednesday 17th July 2:00 pm Sycamore Leaver's Performance for parents

Thursday 18th July 2:00 pm Willow Leaver's Performance for parents

Friday 19th July last day of term finishing 1 hour early at 2:15/2:20 pm.

Wednesday 4th September 2019 First Day of Term

And finally.....

We have had a lot of nose bleeds due to the dry air this week; please let us know if your child has been experiencing nose bleeds at home so that we know what to expect. Have a wonderful weekend.

Judy Wheeler; Headteacher 5th July 2019