



Walter Infant School

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Lockdown Provision until 15th February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all safe and well. As you know, the school is now open to the children of Key and Critical Workers and vulnerable children only until the spring half term break.

We will be providing a variety of resources for the children to access whilst learning remotely from home. These resources meet the government requirements and we are in the process of producing a remote education document which will be shared on our website by the end of the school day.

It is expected that children in Primary Schools are provided with 3 hours of remote learning a day. Please find a suggested outline for home learning; you can of course adjust this in any way to fit around your working arrangements if you need to.

We will not be teaching live lessons as our children are very young and we are aware that not all families can access the internet at the same time; our teachers have begun recording lessons (some of which are available already) and we will update these daily. Jack Dillon is going to produce some recorded sessions for you to access each day.

Time	Task/Activity
9:00 - 10:00	English: writing activities
10:00 - 10:30	Reading
10:30 - 11:00	Break and snack time
11:00 - 12:00	Maths
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch time
1:00 - 1:20	Practising our phonics or spellings – you can access Phonics Play, see below for access details.
1:20 - 3:00	During the afternoon the children will be experiencing a lot of different learning; PE lessons, outside play and exploring the environment. Art and craft, music, learning about the world around them including science, geography and history. We will be placing activities, resources and activities on the website

Walter Infant School and Nursery's Home Learning Packs

Our home learning resources can be found by going to https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website/home_learning_packs/; there you will find resources for each year group and a list of websites that can be used by everyone. We are very excited to announce that we have included recorded lesson introductions and videos to help with the teaching and learning. These will be updated and added to regularly. The children will share the same learning intentions and complete the same activities at home as in school. This is so that all children receive equality of opportunity whether they are learning in our key worker school or from home.

We will use Zoom technology to enable the children at home to interact with their peers. This is an opportunity for your children to see their class teacher and class mates for an informal catch-up. We will be developing our provision to do this as we move forward.

We also have our Walter Tube YouTube channel; please visit or subscribe this channel for regular updates. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI0ZAfsLnjY57_SCxer41tg

Mental Health and Well-Being

The mental health and well-being of all of our Walter community is our utmost priority; we have provided a section for this on our school website; under home learning. If your child is 'not in the mood' or does not want to complete the home learning then this is fine. Please do not hesitate to contact us for further support and we will endeavour to help as best we can. Please remember that you are not alone!

Other Online Resources

You will also be able to access a range of online resources. These include:

Purple Mash

Purple Mash is an online tool that has many different resources, activities and programs. The children use this site often to do many things. It should work on most tablets and home computers.

Website: <https://www.purplemash.com/sch/walter-rg41>

Foundation access:	Username: f	Password: f
Year One access:	Username: y1	Password: y1
Year Two access:	Username: y2	Password: y2

PhonicsPlay

We use an online resource called PhonicsPlay. Some of the content you may have to pay a subscription for; however, most of the site is free. The games that we enjoy and find the most useful are Buried Treasure, Picnic on Pluto and Dragon's Den.

Website: <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>
Username: walter123



Password: walter123

Education City

Education City requires a unique username and password. These have been sent home and most children have stuck these into their reading records or spelling books. If you do not have a username and password please speak to your child's class teacher.

The children can also access the BBC Bitesize website and Oak Academy learning. We will continue to expand the list of websites on the home learning section of our website.

We have just purchased the Big Cat Collins online 'ebook' library; this will be up and running very soon. We use the Big Cat Collins books in school and these books align to our own reading programme. In the meantime, the children can access reading and phonics resources through the Phonics Play website and Education City.

Contact Details for Class Teachers

All our teachers will be available to provide feedback on the children's work or to answer questions. You will find your child's teacher below;

Foundation Stage - Led by Mrs Bennette

Robin Class - Miss Potter: samantha.potter@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Dove Class - Mrs Bennette: jessica.bennette@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Magpie Class - Miss Prickett: rebecca.prickett@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Woodpecker Class - Mrs Parfett: lisa.parfett@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Woodpecker Class - Mrs Prickett: fiona.prickett@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Key Stage One - Led by Mr Lee

Beech Class - Miss Rose: lauren.rose@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Larch Class - Miss Palmer: lisa.palmer@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Oak Class - Miss Veale: jasmine.veale@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Pine Class - Mr Lee: justin.lee@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Sycamore Class - Mr Herlihey: andrew.herlihey@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Willow Class - Mrs Pimm: heather.pimm@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Willow Class - Mrs McDonough: mandy.mcdonough@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me on head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk