



# Friday Flyer!

# **Dear Walter Families**,

### **Modeshift Stars Award**

Today we were visited by Councillor Jorgenson from Wokingham Borough Council and Donal from My Journey; they presented our school with our National School Travel Awards Bronze Star! This is because we have been acclaimed as Wokingham's Most Sustainable large Primary School due to our travel plans and because so many of our children walk, cycle or scoot to school. We will receive £2000 soon to purchase new scooters pods and a cycle shelter. I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Janes who has led the initiative in school. We will now be working towards our silver star. Councillor Jorgensen and Donal commented so positively about our wonderful school and how well behaved our children are!



#### Stars of the Week

Here are our wonderful stars of the week who have been awarded their certificates for resilience, kindness and empathy this week:



# **Little Princess Trust**

So today's the day; Jessica will have her hair cut tonight after school; 12 inches! She has raised over £550 in sponsorship to cover the cost of the wig making and soon a poorly little girl who has lost her hair will receive a beautiful wig, all thanks to Jessica. We are all so proud. If you would like to donate to this amazing cause please follow this

link: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/JessicaSingleton13?utm\_campaign=lc\_fr\_p\_share\_transaction\_fundraiser\_page\_donation\_received\_-

\_nth\_donation&utm\_content=1ce6f754-f7de-4ab8-b792-

2f32f6e5041d&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=postoffice&utm\_term=1578954151 281

We will have some buckets for donations of loose change in the playground on

Monday.



# **Parking Problems at School**

Today we have had reports that a large blue car mounted the pavement without looking at the pedestrians, including a little boy in Year 1, who were walking on the

pavement. It was a very near miss and this is a huge concern for us! We have spoken to Wokingham Borough Council who have advised us to take photographs, to display number plates and to 'name and shame'; those behaviours are not in keeping with our Walter Values but keeping our children safe and respecting our neighbours are behaviours that we do want to reflect. Please drive and park in a safe, kind and respectful way. We have requested support from the Parking team at the council so they may be visiting at the end of the school days.

# **Pupil Premium Funding**

### What is it?

Pupil Premium funding was introduced in 2011; it is a sum of money (£1320) given to the school, for any child who qualifies for Free School Meals or for any child who was eligible for free school meals from Reception to Year 6. Pupil Premium funding lasts for 6 years of a child's school life from the date it begins.

Do you have an income that is less than...

£16, 190!

Or are you in receipt of any of the benefits below?

Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)

- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

These benefits have now been rolled into a single benefit, called Universal Credit.

Universal Credit is being rolled out, with an expected completion date of March 2022. All pupils who were eligible for free school meals up to April 2018 will continue to receive free school meals during this period. This is a useful link that will tell you more about it; https://www.theschoolrun.com/the-parents-guide-to-the-pupil-premium

Please speak to Mrs Janes in the school office. Every enquiry is completely confidential.

We use the money to provide extra-curricular clubs, additional adult support and resources. We can use it to help with school uniform including coats and shoes. We have sometimes used it for school trips or as a contribution for school events. Every child and family has different needs and we will do everything we can to help.

# And finally....

If you have any concerns that you might need help with please remember that you can contact me on <a href="head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk">head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk</a> at any time. Have a wonderful weekend.

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