



Friday Flyer 2022

Dear Walter Families,

As we all anticipated, there are further changes to the guidance from the government about Corona Virus.

This is the information I have received today from gov.uk:

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#). If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available.

We will be following this guidance from Monday 17th January 2022 for children and adults.

Census Day

Census Day is a very important day in the school calendar. Please order a meal for your child if you can. It is also really important for as many children to be in school as possible (but not if they are unwell or isolating)!

A message from Mrs Hemmings

Thursday 20th January 2022 is Census Day. The more children who have a school meal on this day, the more funding the school receives.

To try and encourage more children to take a school meal on Census Day, we swap Thursday and Fridays menu for that week and ask for everyone to pre order their meal.

You will find a form in your child's book bag tonight to fill in. Please can these to be returned to school by the end of the day on Monday 17th January 2022.

The menu is:



Fishfingers and Chips, Potato, spinach and cheese or jacket potato with beans and cheese.

Stars of the Week

I know that it was incredibly hard for our teachers to choose their class stars this week as the children have been incredible. They have such wonderful behaviours for learning and have all made really good progress since September; we have been having lots of important meetings about progress this week! But here are 11 super stars (2 in Willow!!!!!!).



And here are a few samples of the amazing work that has been happening in our classrooms!



Worry Monsters

We welcomed some new Worry Monsters into school this week to help our children share how they are feeling.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

Friday 4th February is NSPCC Number day; we did this last year too and it was great fun and we raised £300. The staff and children can come to school in a number themed outfit, it could be an all over suit or just a badge or hat and make a donation (The NSPCC recommend £2 per person, but any amount is gratefully received) to help children who need support and help from abuse: Speak Out Stay Safe <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/events-fundraising/social-special-events/number-day/>

You do not need to buy anything special; a football shirt usually has a number on it, or you wear a birthday badge. Anything with a number will be great.

Mental Health Week begins on **7th February 2022**. Ms Rees will be organising a week of activities to promote and foster good Mental Health including Superhero Mindfulness.

Friday 11th February will be Dress to Express Day; we would like the children (and staff) to come to school in an outfit that tells us something about who they are! They could wear their favourite colour, their favourite clothes, a colour to reflect how they feel



We will not be collecting money for Place2Be BUT we would very much welcome a contribution of £2.25 per child towards the cost of the Mindfulness training if you are able to.

School Council Elections will take place in the week beginning **Monday 14th February 2022**.

Friday 18th March is Red Nose Day for Comic Relief, we are hoping to sell red noses from school; more information will follow soon BUT we are hoping to have a virtual talent show!

Wednesday 6th April 2022 will be our Spring Parent Consultations evening from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Friday 8th April 2022 our school will be closed for lessons and open for Parent Consultations; 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. We will have a creche facility for children to attend when their parents are meeting with teachers.

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 provide 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 sessions, Canine Assisted learning etc.

If you are in receipt of one of 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/>

And Finally,

Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell so that we can try to keep our school open.

Judy Wheeler: Headteacher