



Friday Flyer!

Dear Walter Families,

We are all so excited to re-open on Tuesday for our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions for Year 1 and Year 2 and to Thursday 3rd September when all our children returning to our school will be back! We have sent out information with regard to your return to school, if you have not received it please do not hesitate to contact us. I will include more information in this flyer.

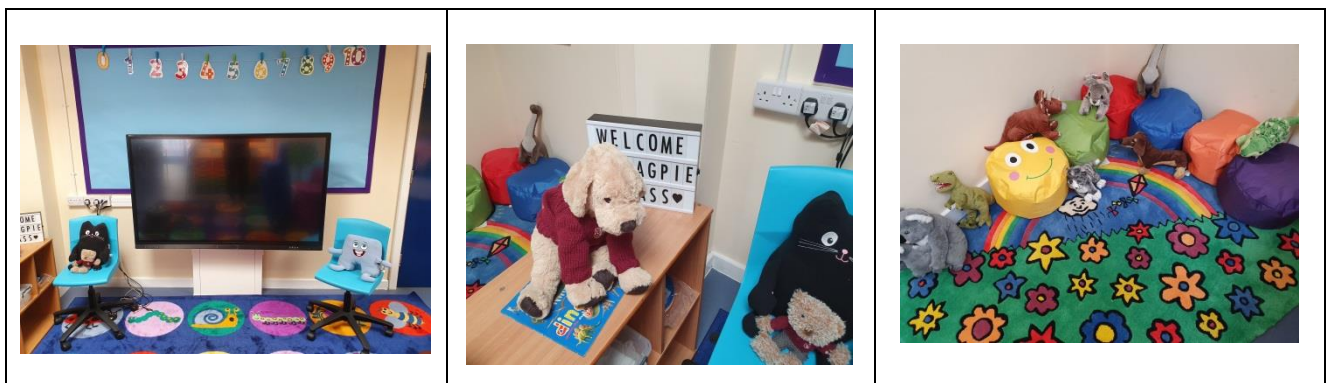
We are also extremely excited to be welcoming lots of new children and their families into our own Walter Family. We hope you will be very pleased with your decision to join us.

Of course, some things will be different from how they were before; but many things will be the same, including our school values, our Cultural Capital and our commitment to being the 'Best that we can be!'

I have to be the luckiest Headteacher in the world as it is a wet, Friday afternoon, the last day of the school holidays and my school is full of teachers and support staff moving furniture, painting walls, checking orders, cleaning and tidying to ensure everything is perfect for our children. Everywhere is painted beautifully and sparkling like a new pin!



So much has been happening over the summer break; we have had to build a new classroom in Foundation Stage, for our Magpie Class, who have historically had a very small classroom. They now have a beautiful new room with beautiful resources; Miss Prickett has devoted many days to making it as welcoming, stimulating and comfortable as she can and it looks fantastic, as you can see!



Our Nursery Classroom is complete; it is so beautiful it takes my breath away! What a difference a year can make. We are so looking forward to seeing it buzzing with 3 year olds in just a week or so!



We have updated our 'Nest'; it now looks absolutely amazing! We have a wonderful new floor which we will be able to keep spotlessly clean, a fantastic new home corner, a kitchen area and fantastic bi-fold doors for free flow during continuous provision. It has central heating and lots of natural light and ventilation. Mrs Bennette and her wonderful team have been committed to providing an enchanting environment for our youngest children at the beginning of their educational journey!



We have had to make some significant changes in Key Stage 1; we have repositioned our tables, chairs, whiteboards and play equipment to enable our staff to socially distance and to meet the government requirements. However, I am sure these pictures will show you that, we are still providing beautiful environments for each and every one of our children. And we haven't forgotten about our wonderful staff; every classroom based adult has a new chair to ensure they are able to protect their backs and their knees in school (I don't want people to end up with poorly knees and backs – like me!)

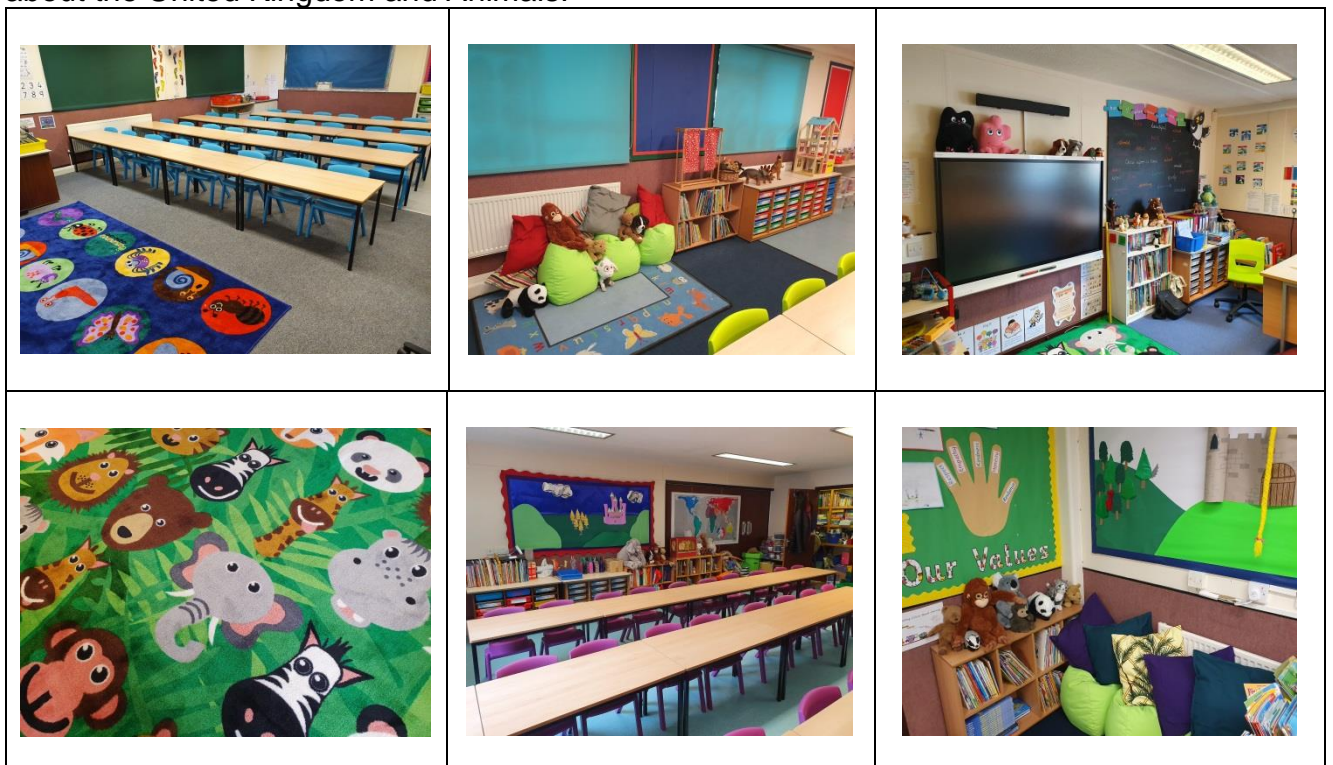




Miss Palmer, Miss Rose and Miss Veale have planned a wonderful start to the term, relating to the children's personal experiences of the summer holidays. I can't wait to see the children enjoying all the beautiful resources created by our dedicated and talented Learning Support Assistants.



We also received 48 brand new tables for our Year 2 children this morning; the children will be sitting at tables, facing the front of the classroom for the time being, but we hope we will be able to return to groups in the near future. The Year 2 teachers have been working tirelessly to prepare an exciting curriculum, based on the topics the children did not get to complete in Year 1. They will be having a truly wonderful time, learning all about the United Kingdom and Animals!



We are in the process of creating a story telling garden, although the rain seems to have other ideas! I will share more photographs as further wonderful resources arrive (from our Tesco Grant).



Arrangements to the start and end of the school day

All adults will be required to socially distance at all times, please maintain a 2m space where possible. There is no expectation for children to socially distance from each other; however, our classrooms have been arranged for them to do so. We will encourage them to maintain a distance wherever possible as well as high levels of cleanliness.

Parents with children who will be attending our **F1 Robin Class** will have sole access and egress through the Oxford Road gate; this is because we have parents dropping off and collecting their children throughout the day and we have children attending in the morning or afternoon: the gate will be in use at **8:30 am, 11:30 am, 12:30 pm, 2:30 pm and 3:30 pm**. Please enter our site and socially distance until your child is welcomed into school.

Parents with children who will be attending our **Year 2 Pine, Sycamore and Willow Classes** will use the main school vehicle gates on Murray Road at **8:30 am and 3:00 pm**.

Parents with children who will be attending our **FS2 Dove, Magpie and Woodpecker Classes** will use the main school vehicle gates on Murray Road at **8:40 am and 3:10 pm**.

Parents with children who will be attending our **Year 1 Beech, Larch and Oak Classes** will use the main school vehicle gates at **8:50 am and 3:20 pm**.

Please visit our school website to view our risk assessment, our safeguarding policy for COVID and a folder with lots of information about how to keep safe on your return to school and the school run.

At the end of the school day, please arrive at the correct time; (the earliest time for one or all of your children). You will be invited into the playground and directed to a collection point. Your child will be released to you when the class teacher has seen you. If you need to wait for another child, please distance near the fence in the playground. Please ensure your children wait with you. If you are unable to make the earlier pick up time in Year 2, your children will be kept safely in school with their class teacher until you arrive. Please do not arrive any later than 3:30 pm.

Energy Kidz After-School Club (ASC)

We now have our own Energy Kidz after school club, which if it is successful, we hope to keep going into the future. If you would like to book a place, please follow this link:

<https://bookings.energy-kidz.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login>

Classes in September

Robin Miss Potter and Mrs MacLeod 8:30 – 11:30 12:30 – 3:30 + 30 hours and lunch-club	Beech Miss Rose, Mrs Ullah and Mrs Legg 8:50 – 3:20
Dove Mrs Bennette, Mrs Althorp and Mrs Adams-Prince 8:40 – 3:10	Larch Miss Palmer and Mrs Wynne 8:50 – 3:20
Magpie Miss Prickett and Mrs Lloyd 8:40 – 3:10	Oak Miss Veale and Miss Gosling 8:50 – 3:20
Woodpecker Mrs Parfett, Mrs Coyne and Mrs Issa 8:40 – 3:10	Pine Mr Lee and Mrs Cheslin 8:30 – 3:00
SEND and PPG Support in FS2 Mrs Girling	Sycamore Mr Herlihey and Miss Dutton 8:30 – 3:00
SEND and PPG Support in KS1 Mrs Clark	Willow Mrs Pimm, Mrs McDonough and Mrs Wyatt 8:30 – 3:00

Mrs Ambler will be our Inclusion Manager

Pupil Premium Funding

If you experiencing financial hardship, please get in touch with us; we may be able to help. If you have had a change to your circumstances, your child may be entitled to Pupil Premium Funding? If you contact Mrs Janes or Mrs Hemmings in the office they will be able to send you a form to complete.

You may be able to claim if you are in receipt of:

- 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

The Pupil Premium for 2019 to 2020 will include pupils recorded in the January 2019 school census who are known to have been eligible for FSM since May 2013, as well as those first known to be eligible at January 2019.

Foodbank Vouchers

If you are struggling and need access to the Foodbank, please contact Mrs Janes who will be able to help on admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

If you are finding it hard to provide school uniform you can also contact Mrs Janes.

Parent View

Parent View is on our website, it is an OFSED Questionnaire for parents to answer questions and comment on their child's school. The Governors of our school are very keen to understand the view of our parents, so please complete the questionnaire if you are able. Here is the link from the website:

https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website/have_your_say/370747 then click on the parent view address on the landing page. Thank you.

Governors

Have you ever considered becoming a school governor? We have several vacancies at the moment for a parent governor and a co-opted governor. Do you think you would like to support the school in being the best it can be or do you know someone who is looking for the opportunity to make a difference to the community? If so please do get in touch via the school admin address: admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Sponsor a Book to promote our Universal Values

Please visit our website if you would like to sponsor a book about Black, Asian or Ethnic Minority (BAME) cultures and traditions, please visit our website to view the books and make a donation if you would like to. I have attached the list to this flyer. Alternatively if you would like to donate a book from you culture we would love to receive it



And finally....

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me, at any time with any questions or concerns. I will respond as quickly as I can head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk
We are all so looking forward to seeing you.

Judy Wheeler
Headteacher