

# Friday Flyer!

# **Dear Walter Families,**

Welcome back to school; it is a pleasure to be here and all our staff have been delighted to see our school back to the buzzing, exciting centre of learning we all love being a part of. We have had a good start; the children settled into their new classrooms so quickly and have been so happy to see and play with their friends again. We are all adjusting to many changes, which will take some time but so far so good. We will continue to tweak our arrangements as we move forward so, please be patient with us!

# The start and the end of the school day

This morning we made some changes to our expectations for the beginning of the school day; we would like all parents and carers to adhere to the following guidance

- When dropping off to Walter Infant School, please line up towards the Oxford Road, parents and carers from St Paul's please line up down Murray Road towards Arthur Road.
- Please traverse Murray Road on the opposite side to the school where possible.
- Please leave as soon as you have dropped your children off.
- The field opposite school will now be open as a waiting area to try to reduce the number of people waiting on Murray Road.
- Please remember to keep two metres apart from other adults.
- Please can I request that only one adult per household attends the school for drop off and pick up?
- Please do not arrive too early as this can add to unnecessary congestion on the paths.
- Parents who have dropped off Year 2 children at 8:30am can wait, socially distancing on the school site until their other Walter children have joined their teacher.
- Please visit our website to check the information posted about COVID-19 including information for parents and our Risk Assessment.

#### Morrisons

Our fruit suppliers were unable to deliver until next week and we realised that the children needed a healthy snack as always after play; Mrs Hemmings contacted Morrisons in Woosehill to share our dilemma and in no time we received a delivery of bananas and apples for over 200 children and a promise of another delivery on Monday. We are so thrilled to be afforded such generosity from the staff at Morrisons and would like to say a huge THANK YOU.



#### In School this Week

I have taken a selection of photos of what has been happening; it has been a joy to visit each classroom (in our safe zone) to see the wonderful experiences the children are enjoying. All the children are having a wonderful time and there is lots of learning happening too!





# **Toby Edwards**

Toby Edwards in Willow Class shared this wonderful information with me about his amazing achievement during the summer holidays: We are very proud of you Toby. Well done.



I did a sponsored walk on Saturday in memory of my godmother Steph. She died a year that day so Chloe, mummy, daddy, me and Rosie the dog walked 5 miles at Cliveden. It was a long long way round and by mile 3 I was hungry and tired but I kept moving. We have raised £1600 for Rennie Grove Hospice Care and I'm very happy as it will go to all the nurses who looked after Steph so they can look after everyone else who has cancer. Mummy and Daddy said I used my values on Saturday. Empathy as mummy tripped so I helped her. Respect as cared for all the trees in the woods and left no rubbish. Kindness as I've raised money to help others. Resilience as I kept going when it got hard. We then went on a motor boat as a special treat afterwards with my friends. Honesty as I donated every penny we raised By Toby Edwards

# **Classes in September**

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

Mrs Ambler will be our Inclusion Manager

# **Pupil Premium Funding**

Pupil Premium Funding helps your child to receive additional resources and/or support for their learning, but it also helps all our other children too as many of them can also benefit from the resources we purchase or the additional support we can provide. If your child receives PPG Funding, we can help in many ways, for example we could provide an after school sports club with Jack, help with school uniform and school trips and other additional support where necessary.

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 2020 to 2021 will include pupils recorded in the October 2020 school census who are known to have been eligible for FSM since May 2013, as well as those first known to be eligible at October 2020.

Please also remember that we can help you in getting food parcels from Wokingham Food Bank so please speak in confidence to the staff in the school office on <a href="mailto:admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk">admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk</a> or 01189780825.

#### **Reading Books**

Please return any reading books you may still have to the adults on the school gates at the beginning or end of the school day. We will quarantine them and eventually return them to the classroom book boxes. Thank you.

#### **School Photographs**

Tempest Photographers will be visiting school on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October to take individual photographs only. Sadly we will not be able to take family photographs this time.

#### **Parent View**

Parent View is on our website, it is an OFSTED 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

# WE NEED MORE SCHOOL GOVERNORS: CAN YOU HELP?

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

#### **Face Coverings**

As you know, we are not expected to wear face coverings in school and neither are the children; please feel free to wear them yourselves when you are picking up and dropping off. We need to do what we can to keep safe.

#### And finally....

Your comments and suggestions are very helpful so please continue to contact me: I will be available via email during the weekend and will respond to your concerns as quickly as I can. If you have any questions, queries or concerns, please contact me on <u>head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk</u> anytime, day or night and I will reply as soon as I can.

Judy Wheeler Headteacher