



Friday Flyer

WELCOME BACK!



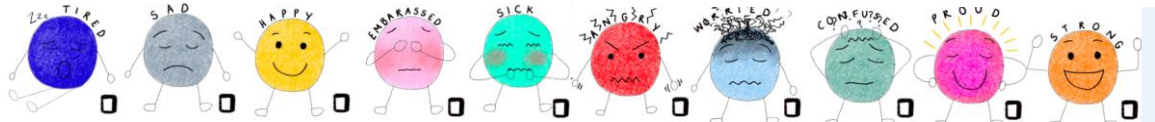
Dear Walter Families,

Everyone here is so excited for our full re-opening on Monday; we are all working hard to make the school environment as welcoming and exciting for our children on their return as possible. We have lots of new resources, including brand new storage and tray units in all Key Stage 1 classes, all labelled up and ready for the new owners! Our staff members have attended training to support our children (and parents) with coming back to school and separating from their parents.

I hope you have been able to watch the assembly today: Try Not to Worry (on our website). It may provide an opportunity for you to chat with your children about how they feel about coming back to school; are they worried or excited, happy or sad (I imagine they will have a huge mixture of emotions). I am attaching some resources to this flyer that might be useful to use at home and to return to school on Monday. There is a feelings thermometer; you could draw a circle around each emotion your child is experiencing and draw an arrow to the temperature scale; a small worry or a great big worry. You can also discuss with your children how to manage their worries, after listening to Rosie's story and getting rid of some of those 'worry monsters'. Please remember that lots of things children are worried about are 'adult worries' so please try to reassure your child that you will manage those worries for them.

We are creating 'Calm Boxes' for every classrooms so that our children can 'take a break, re-balance, relax, breathe! We are developing calm corners and any anxious children will have access to our Nurture Assistants, who have all been hard at work getting ready. We have many new books and toys to support concerns and worries and lots of strategies

ready to put into place as and when they are needed. Please ensure that you notify us of any significant changes (happy or sad) so that we can support your child in school.



Lateral Flow Tests

All families with school age children can apply for lateral flow tests, these are the tests that all of our staff are completing twice a week. If you wish to have this option: please follow this link. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/all-households-with-children-of-school-aged-to-get-rapid-covid-19-tests-per-person-per-week>

This is NOT a requirement for your child to come to school.

Start and finish times and PE days

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 **Year 1 Beech, Larch and Oak Classes** will use the main school vehicle gates at **8:35am and 3:05 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**.

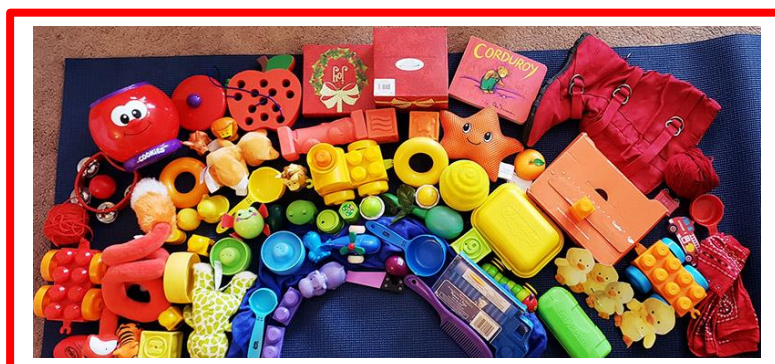
Your child will need to come in school uniform as described in your information booklet; they will need a **coat (suitable for rainy weather)** and sensible shoes. Please label every item of clothing including shoes. Please can all children come to school on their PE days wearing trainers and their PE kits; Foundation Stage children will need to wear trainers and joggers or leggings.

P.E. Days

- **Robin ~ Thursday Morning**
- **FS2 Dove ~ Monday Morning, Magpie ~ Wednesday Morning and Woodpecker ~ Friday afternoon**
- **Year 1 Beech ~ Wednesday & Friday, Larch Monday & Wednesday and Oak Monday & Tuesday**
- **Year 2 Pine ~ Monday & Tuesday, Sycamore ~ Monday & Tuesday and Willow ~ Wednesday & Thursday**

Rainbow from Found Things

Please bring your coloured objects (things you have found) for our school rainbow from Monday. The children will need to take them into their classrooms for sorting.



World Book Week at School

Many of you have been to school to visit and see what has been happening in school this week; it has been so exciting and the children have produced some incredible pieces of work as well as wonderful ideas for discussion and problem solving. We sent photos to the newspapers and television companies; unfortunately we haven't heard anything back. BUT we have a wonderful series of pictures on the website. My favourite photo is the one of Blake jumping into the air!

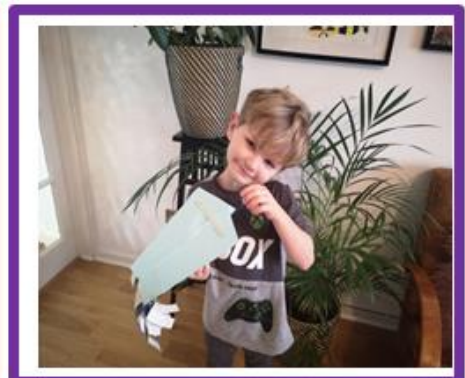
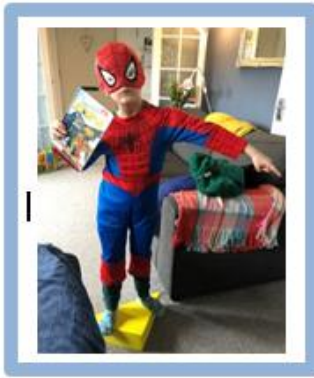




World Book Day at Home

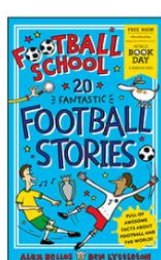
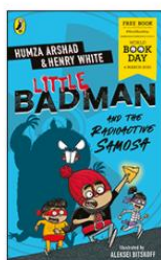
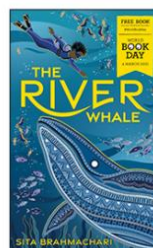
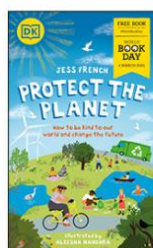
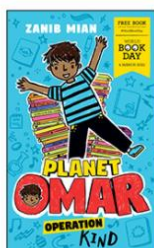
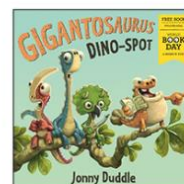
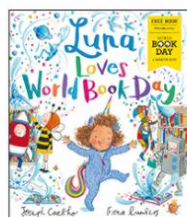
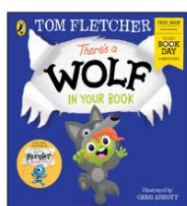
We have seen the most amazing work from home this week:





World Book Day Vouchers

The children will all bring home a voucher for £1 on Monday. The £1 books this year are:



Follow this link to find out more:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

World Book Day book tokens will be valid from Thursday 18 February – Sunday 28 March 2021. In 2021 participating booksellers will honour the tokens beyond the 28 March while stocks last. Please contact your local bookseller to check if they are able to offer £1/£1.50 off other titles.

Home Stars of the Week

Vinay in Larch

For working really hard on all his pieces of writing and showing lots of resilience.

Sophia in Dove

For all of the amazing work she has been doing at home and her enthusiasm during Zoom calls.

Ana in Robin

For participating in many aspects of home learning and for her growing confidence in Zoom.

Ava Simpson in Magpie

For being really brave in the Zoom call and sharing her favourite book with all of her friends.

Roxby in Woodpecker

For visiting school to find out just what has been happening in our trees and for sharing his experiences with a wonderful photograph

Jake Collinge in Oak

For his amazing writing on Goldilocks and his creative use of sticks and stones to make dienes at home!

Natanya in Pine

For her beautiful kite this week and for working so hard during lockdown!

Isobel in Sycamore

For her resilience throughout all of her home learning and showing wonderful writing skills with all the stories we have read.

Faith in Willow

For working incredibly hard all throughout lockdown on her home school work.

Olivia in Larch

For working super hard through all her home learning. For last week's Goldilocks poster which included both an exclamation mark and question mark

Key Worker School Stars

Here are our amazing school stars of the week who have all shown all of our values but in particular they have all been resilient and tried



SSSSSHHHHHHHhhhhhhhh!!!! Top Secret Information

Children of Walter Infants – this information is for your eyes only (although grown-ups you may need to help with the reading!). We know that your grown-ups have been working super hard for you and we know that you'd like to show your thanks and love. The PTA can help – we are selling a surprise gift (it's really lovely) for £2.50 each. It will be wrapped, popped in an envelope and delivered to you at school. That way it'll stay a secret and you can give it to your grown up whenever you want. If you would like to pay with your pocket money, put the money in an envelope with your name and class on the front, and post it into the red post-box by the office. Or you can pay online at www.pta-events.co.uk/walterinfantspta you may need a grown up to help you but shhhhh, don't tell them why. Any questions please email us at walterinfantspa@gmail.com

Parent Consultations

Please ensure you have an appointment to have a telephone consultation with your child's teacher. If you do not have an appointment please contact Mrs Janes on admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Change in Circumstances

We are aware that some of our families have experienced considerable changes to their circumstances over the last few months. If you require any support to provide food, heating, clothing or indeed anything at all the your child needs, please get in touch so that we can help you source the support you are entitled to. Any information shared will be in confidence.

Red Nose Day 2021

Red Nose Day, as you know is on Friday 19th March 2021. We would like the children to come in something red and to share their favourite jokes with us; the top 10 jokes will receive a prize. Please remember no red noses in school.

Sweets and Treats from Tesco

Mrs Jedras, the community champion from Tesco in Wokingham has displayed all our winning handwashing posters in the store. As a reward to the children (and all children at our school) she arrived today with boxes and bags of sweets and treats for the children. We will be sharing them on Monday. Please let us know if you do not want your child to have a sweet. We will check the ingredients before giving them to the children. I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Jedras and also to Mrs Hemmings who is our Community Champion and does so much to support our school.



Gifts for Local Family and Friends

Mrs Hemmings is able to provide a wonderful service of handmade posies and treats for people to purchase from her as gifts for birthdays, well done, get well, Mother's Day and much more. If you would like to know more, please contact her on 01189780825.



And finally....

See you all on Monday.

Best wishes; keep safe and well.

Judy Wheeler
Headteacher