

Friday Flyer

# **Dear Walter Families,**

Here is the third of our flyers; I would love to know if you would like these to continue instead of a monthly newsletter. Please let me know by sending an email using our comments link on the web site: <u>comments@walter.wokingham.sch.uk</u>

# **The School Gates**

Our gates to not have an automatic closer on them, they have a strong magnet which is sometimes strong enough to close the gate, but not always. Please ensure you close our gates when you come in and out of our playgrounds. Thank you.

## The Playground at Home Time

This week we found 3 children who had been separated from their parents, two were very young and extremely distressed, one was a member of our school who had sensibly returned to school after losing her mummy. Please can we ask that you know where your children are at the end of the school day; we also had a rather unpleasant accident at 3:30 when a child fell face first on to a toadstool, hurting her mouth.

# St Paul's Open Mornings

If your child is in Year 2 and you would like to visit St. Paul's Junior School they are holding open mornings on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 9.00am and Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 9:00 am.

### **Tennis October Half Term Club**

There is information about the tennis club on our website.

### **Flu Vaccines**

These are happening on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, if you have not yet returned your form, or if you have lost it, please speak to the school office staff.

# **Volunteer Reading Training**

This training is taking place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30 pm; if you would like to join us as a reading volunteer please book in with Mrs Janes. The more the merrier!

### Nits and head lice

I am so sorry to say that we have had a growing number of cases of head lice. As you know, they like to travel from head to head to lay their eggs (nits) and especially love clean hair! The head lice die if they are damaged or broken so a nit comb and

conditioner can work very well. We have some combs in school if you would like free of charge. Please check your child's hair this weekend and treat the nits and head lice if your child has them. There are also many products on the market to get rid of them, so please use whichever method suits you best. If everybody checks and treats if necessary this weekend, we could all be nit and head lice free on Monday!



### Harvest Festival

As you know, we are having our annual Harvest Festival, led by Reverend Julie Mintern, from St Paul's Church on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 9:00 am. We will be collecting food for the Wokingham Foodbank again (for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row). We have developed a strong partnership with the foodbank and can now distribute vouchers for those in need. If you need a voucher, please speak in confidence to Mrs Janes.



These are the items they have asked us to collect:

- Sugar
- Tinned Potatoes
- Long Life Milk
- Meat Pies
- Fruit Juice
- Rice Pudding/Custard
- Soup
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Fruit
- Biscuits
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tea 40's and 80's
- Breakfast Cereal
- Coffee (small jars)
- Pot Noodles

**Book Fair** 

Thank you to everyone who has come along to the book fair; it is on today after school and for a final day on Monday15th October. We make commission from sales so that we can buy books for the school so we really appreciate your support. **Parent Consultation dates** 

We will be holding parent consultations on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 3:30 pm until 7:30 pm and on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 3:30 pm until 6:00 pm. You will be able to book a slot on line from the 15<sup>th</sup> October but we wanted to give you plenty of notice to make plans. We are all looking forward to meeting with you. If you want to make an appointment to speak with Mrs Ambler (if you child is on our SEND register) you will have an opportunity to do so from the 15<sup>th</sup> October.

### **PANTS Assembly and Information NSPCC**

We have had several low level incidents when some of our children have expressed a level of interest in their friends 'private parts' or underwear. We always share the NSPCC message each term and shared yesterday in assembly. The children learn that the area where they wear their underwear is private and that they must tell someone they trust if someone touches them there or asks if they can touch them.

I have attached the link to the assembly on the website so that you can look at it with your children and share the story (which is fun) and the Pantosaurus song, which the children love.



https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website/pants\_assembly\_at\_walter\_to\_share\_with\_yo ur\_child/374042 If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on: head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Have a fantastic weekend.

Judy Wheeler: Headteacher

12<sup>th</sup> October 2018

