



Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Thank you to all of you who have updated our records with a third emergency contact; if you haven't been able to do so yet, please see our office staff as soon as possible.

Snowy weather

You will have seen weather reports stating that we may be getting some snow in the next few weeks (a little more than the dusting on Thursday). It would never be our intention to close the school; however, as most of our teachers have to travel a long distance either by car or train, we would not have enough staff to safely look after our children in school. Our procedures state that we must have 7 teachers, 8 members of classroom support staff, 3 members of admin staff and our site controller, as well as either myself or Mrs Prickett. Any decision to close the school would not be taken lightly, and would be made in partnership with Mrs Taylor (the Headteacher of St Paul's Junior School and Wokingham Borough Council). We would notify parents by 7:00 am in the morning by text, on the website and by informing local radio stations. Please make sure we have an up to date number and that you know how to check our website.



<https://www.walter.wokingham.sch.uk/website>



School Census

We had a very successful Census Day; thank you to everyone who returned their lunch orders. We had 266 lunches ordered out of a possible 270. That will really help towards our funding for the next few months, so thank you again.

Medicines in School

All medicines coming into school must be handed to the school office and the correct paper work must be completed. Do not send medicines in to school in your children's book bags or lunch boxes. We will not administer any medication at all without a completed consent form. Please also remember that the medication must be in the bottle it was dispensed in with the child's name and a use by date clearly printed by the pharmacist. We will not administer over the counter medications.

For more information, please see our Medicines in School Policy on our website. I would also like to remind you that you need to check the expiration dates of inhalers and auto-injectors which are kept in school.

Head lice

Thank you to everyone who checked their children's hair for head lice and nits last weekend. We have definitely had fewer case reported this week. Please will you check again this weekend and apply a treatment if necessary before Monday. Thank you.



For more information visit: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

School Councillors

We had our democratic election yesterday and shared the results with our children this morning; the new school councillors are:

Pine Class: Harshita, Sycamore Class: Rufus, Willow Class: Hayley, Beech Class: Monty, Larch Class: Riley, Oak Class: Lola, Woodpecker Class: Chaitanya, Dove Class: Clara and Magpie Class: Prisha. Well done everyone.



Pupil Premium Funding

Some of our families will be in receipt of benefits that mean that their child/ren are entitled to a grant to enhance their education within school; we use this money for a variety of opportunities, such as an extra-curricular club, school uniform, help towards the contribution for school trips or perhaps, additional support with teaching and learning. If you think your child could be entitled to this 'in-School' funding; please collect an application form from the school office.

Who is entitled to Pupil Premium Funding?

To be eligible at least one parent must be in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal credit
- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.
- The Guarantee element of the State Pension Credit

Or:

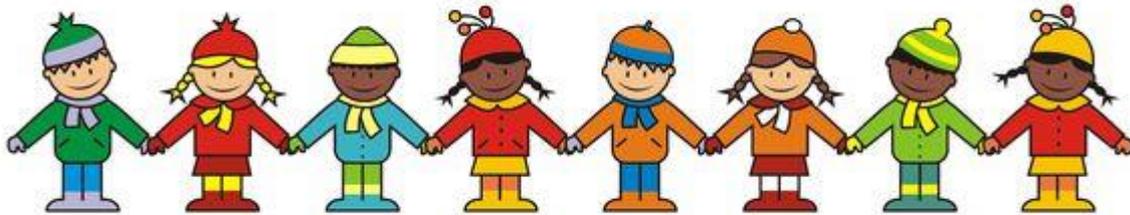
- At least one parent was eligible for any of the above benefits in the last six years
- Children who are or have been looked after under local authority care
- Children from service families who receive a child pension from the Ministry of Defence.

For further details, please follow this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pupil-premium-conditions-of-grant-2018-to-2019/pupil-premium-2018-to-2019-conditions-of-grant>

And finally.....

The cold weather is coming, please ensure that your children have everything they need to keep them warm in the playground and during P.E. lessons. Please make sure everything is named. If you have any difficulty in providing what your child needs, for whatever reason, please contact me on head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk or by phone on 01189780825 or if you would prefer, speak to Mrs Janes in the office. We will be happy to help.



Have a wonderful weekend.

Judy Wheeler; Headteacher 18th January 2019