



Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Welcome to March! We have had a very interesting week at school; I was delighted that we gave out so many of our values badges to children who are consistently demonstrating kindness, resilience, respect, honesty and empathy and we are hoping to be giving many more as the term goes on.



Celebrating Success

We are delighted to inform you that we have been judged by Wokingham Borough Council's representative (our School Improvement Partner) to be a GOLD school and outstanding in every area. I would like to congratulate all the staff and children and governors for helping to make our school a centre of excellence for education. Well done everyone!

Healthy Schools

I am also delighted to say that we have been awarded the Healthy Schools Mark; Mrs Pimm has worked so hard gathering all the information that we needed to prove that we are committed to providing a healthy and active environment for our children. I would like to thank all of our families for your support in ensuring we are a healthy place for our children to learn.



World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March <https://www.worldbookday.com/> We would like the children to come ready for a bedtime story; just like last year in onesies, pyjamas, dressing gowns, slippers etc. Please remember to provide a coat and outside shoes and cross your fingers that it won't be snowy! Every child will bring a voucher for £1 home on Monday 4th March and the book fair begins on Wednesday 6th March where you will be able to spend your vouchers.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Ms Rees went to Amsterdam and learned that a very renowned young woman kept a book known as...

A BOOK OF BEAUTIFUL SENTENCES.



By Anne Frank

For world book day we would like you to choose your favourite sentence from your favourite book to share with your friends and the adults in school on World Book Day.



The Book Fair

As mentioned above, the book fair begins on Wednesday 6th March until Monday 11th March; there will be lots of lovely books to choose from and we will use the commission we make to buy new books for our library. The children can put their £1 voucher towards the cost of any book at the fair or use it in a book shop.



Red Nose Day

We will be selling Red Noses again this year at the beginning and end of the school day; they cost £1.25 this year so please try to bring the right change! We will be selling them from Monday 11th March until they run out. We have 3 boxes coming! The noses double up as stress balls this year and there are 12 to collect. I have noticed that one of the red noses is green!



I am hoping to buy the cat with the crown!

The children can come to school wearing an item of red clothing (no football shirts or kits or super hero outfits please); perhaps a hat, scarf, socks or red from head to toe! Please make a donation for Comic Relief into the buckets that will be around on the day.



Governor Day

On Friday 15th March we will also be having our annual Governor Day in school; our governing body will be coming to see the children, share an assembly, observe the teaching and learning in school, have a school lunch and have some very important meetings! They will be available at the start of the day to chat with parents; they will be wearing a purple governor lanyard to identify themselves.



Mathematics Workshop for Year 2 Parents and Carers

Our first SATS Mathematics workshops for parents will be taking place on Tuesday 13th March at 2:30pm and 6:00pm – we would love you to come along and learn how to help your child at home. We will show you methods we use to calculate some of the strategies we use for mental arithmetic. You will also learn a lot about the curriculum and the assessments. The sessions will not be suitable for children – sorry 😊

Momo Challenge

You will have heard a great deal about the Momo challenge this week; most recently saying that it is a hoax and that we should not publicise it. I have it on good authority that there is indeed, a grotesque image that will appear during on line games and videos aimed at children, most often on You Tube Kidz. If a child clicks on the image it will lead to other sites that are NOT suitable for children.

We are aware that some of our children have unsupervised time on the internet so please be vigilant; we believe all internet time should be supervised and limited by a responsible adult. These are the online safety rules that we share with our children.



Staff Car Park

Please can I ask again that parents do not park in our school car park when collecting children from Energy Kidz at St Paul's; we have a stringent health and safety plan and risk assessment which prohibits parents from parking in our staff car park. We have had more near misses this week with children running into the car park and close to our staff vehicles. It will be necessary for you to find alternative parking very soon so please start from today. We will be locking our gates when the last member of staff leaves which could result in your car being locked in the car park.



Sponsored Activity Day

Last year we had an amazing day when we held our sponsored event for the NSPCC raising over £2,000! This year we would like to hold a similar event to raise money to replace our trim track in KS1 which has been inspected by Sport Safe in our annual check and found to be rotten so we can no longer use it. Please ensure that your children do not go on it at the beginning and end of the school day. We will let you know more about the event in the coming months.



New: £2003

Rise and Shine Club Taster Session

Some children have already had their taster session at our Rise and Shine Club and we have received more bookings; we would like to extend our provision and so would like to invite each and every child from Foundation Stage 2 to Year 2 to attend for a **FREE** taster session! Mrs Hemmings will be organising the places so please contact her on 0118978 0825 or by email on Lynnette.Hemmings@walter.wokingham.sch.uk

Thank you

We would like to say a great big thank you to Lola and her mummy Mrs Borkowski, for donating some lovely brand new space hoppers to our foundation stage children; they love them and have been having a great deal of fun in the warm spring sunshine.

Wish List

We have a wish list in school for the things we would love to buy to enhance our classrooms; I wondered if anyone would like to know the contents of the list to make a donation or contribution to a larger item. If so please let me or Mrs Janes know.



For example: Modular seating for our library £308!

And finally.....

Have a fabulous weekend.

Judy Wheeler; Headteacher 1st March 2019