



Friday Flyer

Dear Walter Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term at Walter Infant School and Nursery; I hope you had a lovely holiday from school during the festive period.

SUMO

We have begun our term learning more about resilience as part of values education and also as part of our Personal and Social Development. SUMO is an acronym for STOP, UNDERSTAND, MOVE ON; we are encouraging the children to understand that they can take responsibility for their actions and make decisions about how they respond to events. Today the children will design their T-shirts; I am very much looking forward to seeing their finished work. Thank you to everyone who provided a T-shirt for the children in Key Stage 1.

ASSIST

I have received some information from ASSIST (Autism Spectrum Service for Information, Support and Training) via Wokingham Borough Council. They are pleased to be able to offer autism specific workshops to parents, carers, practitioners and those with an interest in autism. Our teachers will be sharing the information with some of our parents, however, if you would like to know more about the workshops available please follow this link: ASSISTworkshops@wokingham.gov.uk If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium Funding we may be able to help towards the cost.

School Lunches

Our School Kitchen has just received another award for excellence; we are extremely proud of our catering team, led by Ms Louise Fisher, who provide wonderful lunches for our children each day.

There have been some concerns about jacket potatoes; we offer jacket potatoes every day except Wednesday as an additional option for the children. This choice is not shown on the menu.

On Monday and Friday the children can choose a jacket potato with cheese and/or beans and on Tuesday and Thursday they can choose a jacket potato with tuna mayonnaise and salad.



Oakland Tree Services

We would like to thank Sam and Rachel Cole, from Oakland Tree Services again: Sam very kindly came in over the Christmas holidays and made our trees safe. We are very grateful as Sam donated his time and skills to the school and saved us a great deal of money. It is a relief to know that the trees are now safe, especially as we are expecting the weather to get stormier. Thank you from everyone at Walter Infant School and Nursery.



<https://www.oaklandtreeservices.co.uk/>

Reading Volunteers

Some people have expressed a desire to volunteer in school as a reader; we welcome all the support we can get so please speak to Mrs Janes in the school office.

Absence from School

Our attendance figures for our school are very good, thank you. However, I would like to remind you that if we do not hear from you in the morning to let us know that your child is absent from school; we will telephone you as part of our rigorous safeguarding procedures.

Emergency Contacts

Our records show that some children only have parents as the contact numbers should they fall ill or receive an injury; we would like to request that you provide us with the number of a friend, relative or neighbour that we can contact should both parents be uncontactable. This does happen and can be very distressing for a child, especially if it is the end of a school day. Please give the details to the school office as soon as possible if you have not done so already.

And finally.....

If you would like to make a donation to the school of time, skills or money please speak to myself or Mrs Janes in the school office or make a donation on line. If you know anyone who has carpeting/flooring or landscaping businesses who might like to support the school in making improvements, we would love to hear from you!

Have a wonderful week end - Judy Wheeler: Headteacher