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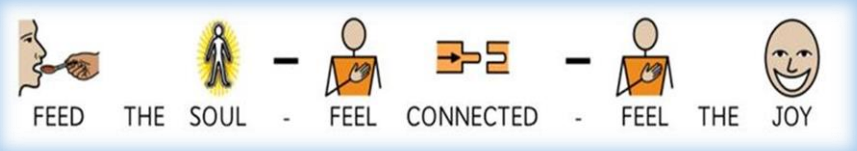
"Living, Learning, Laughing in God's Love"

To be a vibrant learning community in order to flourish in the joy and hope of 'life in all its fullness' (John 10.10)



Changes to School Holiday INFORMAL POLL 2026

Walton on Trent Primary and Nursery School - Changes to School Holiday INFORMAL POLL 2026 – Fill in form

Lost Property

We have several items of lost property in the school office that do not have names on them. If you think any of these items may belong to your child, please feel free to come to the office and take a look.

We have also had reports of some children missing items of clothing. Please could you check the items your child brings home to ensure that nothing has been taken by mistake.

Thank you for your support.

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Calendar Dates	
Tuesday 20th October	Parents Evening 3.30pm-7.30pm
Wednesday 21st October	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
Friday 23rd October	Individual photographs & Siblings (if you wish siblings not in school to have a photo with your child, please arrive for 8.30am)
Mon 26th – Fri 30th October	HALF-TERM WEEK
Monday 2nd November	All children return to school
Wednesday 4th November	Open Evening for New Reception/pupils 4.30-6pm (in-year applications or September 2027 start)
Thursday 5th November	PTFA Disco full details below KS1 3.30-4.15pm KS2 4.20-5.20pm
Monday 16th November	PTFA Meeting all Welcome
Tuesday 8th December	Nativity performance from Rabbits, Hedgehogs & Squirrels 9.15am & 2.30pm
Wednesday 9th December	Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day
Tuesday 15th December	JT MAT Carol Concert for School Choir pupils only
Thursday 17th December	PANTO at Derby Live
Friday 18th December	9.30am Carol Service in Church (all welcome)
Mon 21st Dec – Fri 1st Jan 2027	Christmas Holidays

We look forward to seeing you at Parents' Evening next week. If you have not yet booked an appointment, please take a moment to do so. Thank you for your support.

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Shine Awards

Class	Star of the Week	Take Care Champion
Hedgehogs	Dory	Louie
Squirrels	Lily	Eli E
Owls	Ada K	Finley M
Foxes	Grace	Nieve
Badgers	Emilie	Barney
Head Teachers Awards		
Jasmine – Eli E – Grace W -Alfred – Ada C		

Children's Safeguarding question of the week

Online Safety — What should you do if you see something online that upsets you?

Answer: Stop, close the device if you need to, and tell a trusted adult straight away.

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"Living, Learning, Laughing in God's Love"

Is your child starting Reception in September 2026?

Come and join us at our

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 4th November from 4.30PM - 6PM

Come and see our village school and meet our staff team

"The school vision is more than a set of aspirational words; it is actively lived out through a culture of inclusion and care."
(SIAMS report - Graded Outstanding - June 2026)

To book your place please contact the school:

01283 716151

info@wal.jtmat.co.uk

Walton-on-Trent CE (C) Primary and Nursery School, Coton Road, Walton-on-Trent, Derbyshire, DE12 8NL. www.walton-on-trent-primary.co.uk

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Parking Safely around our school

Considerate Parking Around School

We kindly ask all parents and carers to park considerately when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Please be mindful of our neighbours by avoiding blocking driveways, parking on pavements, or stopping in areas that may cause obstruction or safety concerns. We would also ask that you **do not use the school drive or nearby residential drives to turn your vehicle around**.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep our children, families, and local community safe.

Parking Safely Around Our Schools

Every weekday morning and afternoon, the streets around our schools become a hive of activity. Children, parents, cyclists, and drivers come together, creating a potentially dangerous environment. The areas around schools present a unique set of challenges:

- Young children can be easily distracted and could run into the road without looking.
- Heavy traffic and illegal parking can make visibility difficult for pedestrians and drivers.
- Despite initiatives like 20mph zones, speeding is still a significant concern for parents, with speed being a factor in a quarter of fatal crashes.
- Children and adults can be distracted by mobile phones, which can lead to accidents.

Road traffic injuries are the biggest cause of death among young people worldwide, and six children are killed or seriously injured on roads every day in the UK.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team and Safer South Derbyshire Partnership have recently had reports relating to dangerous parking issues at some schools in our district. We want parents to make sure they park safely, responsibly, and legally as we don't want to see anyone hurt.

We would ask parents/guardians not to park on school zig zags, double yellow lines and across household driveways near schools.

It is illegal to park on 'School Keep Clear' markings, or zig zag markings. Yellow lines on the road also show that parking restrictions are in place.

'School Keep Clear' markings outside schools are there for the safety of children and other pedestrians. They are there to keep the area completely clear of vehicles at school start and finish times.

Motorists seen parking or stopping to drop off passengers in a school keep clear zone can be fined.

Help us to keep the roads around schools safe when you're driving:

- Stick to the speed limits around schools and be prepared to slow down further during busy periods. A child hit by a car at 30mph is five times more likely to be fatally injured than at 20mph.
- Do not use your mobile phone or eat or adjust the radio while driving, as even a moment's lapse in concentration can be dangerous.
- Always stop when instructed to by a school crossing patrol person.
- Never park illegally on zig-zag markings or double yellow lines, which are designed to ensure clear visibility for children and other drivers around schools.

Derbyshire Police will be monitoring school parking concerns, working with schools and civil enforcement officers who manage the enforcement of on street parking regulations like double/single yellow lines and enforceable school keep clear zones. Further information around parking offences/enforcement can be found at:- https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/transport-and-roads/parking-enforcement.

Creating safer school environments requires action from everyone. Local authorities, schools, parents, and drivers all have a vital role to play.

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Please pay for your child/children's disco ticket using the link below:

walton-on-trent-school-ptfa.sumupstore.com

Cash payments can also be made at the office. **All tickets must be paid for prior to the disco**

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Diocese of Derby Christmas Card Competition

We have received information about the Diocese of Derby Christmas Card Competition. If your child would like to take part, please see the attached details on how to enter. Good luck to everyone taking part!

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Lunch Menu

We will also be offering a limited number of Sandwiches (Ham or Cheese)

Week 3	MEAT FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	Creamy tomato pasta	Sausage rolls Potato wedges	Black History Month Themed Menu Moroccan style Chicken Tagine	Beef Burgers Chunky chips	Crispy battered fish French fries
Veggie option	Tomato and herb pasta	Cheese and onion rolls Potato wedges	Or North African Vegan Meatballs Served with Couscous	Veggie Burgers Chunky chips	Quorn dippers French fries
Accompaniments	Peas or sweetcorn Salad bar	Baked beans or green beans Salad bar	Jamacian Ginger Cake	Broccoli or Cauliflower Salad bar	Peas or baked beans Salad bar
Desserts	Choc crispie cakes	Iced sprinkle cake		Strawberry Jelly	Ice cream
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt
Jacket potato With cheese, Tuna or Baked Beans	Jacket potato	Jacket potato	Jacket potato	Jacket potato	Jacket potato