

WALTON ON THE NAZE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Choose Your Dream and Chase It!

Whole School Attendance w/c 9.2.26 - 88.54%
Whole School Attendance w/c 23.2.26 - 95.86%
Whole School Attendance w/c 2.3.26 - 93.95%
Whole School Attendance w/ 9.3.16 - 93.73%
Whole School Attendance w/c 16.3.16 - 92.78%

Year to date 13.2.26 - 93.61%
Year to date 27.2.26 - 93.80%
Year to date 6.3.26 - 93.81%
Year to date 13.3.26 - 93.81%
Year to date 20.3.26 - 93.76%

School target 96.5%

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS A WATER BOTTLE AND A COAT IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY!

Please remember to name your coat!

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26th March 2026

Dear Parents,

Oh my goodness, another term completed and, only another one to go! We are seeing some signs of the weather improving, let's hope this continues. We are all ready for brighter days and a bit more sunshine, especially during the Easter break. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward on Sunday 29th March.

A reminder that coats are still needed in school every day! It is chilly, but the children still go out to play.

Attendance

Although we have seen some improvements individually, as a school we need to improve. The government have set us a target of 92.8%, but our school target is 96.5% in line with Local Authority Average. We know you can do it; we know you can be on time, show us what you can do! If you need some support with attendance, eg morning routines, please contact us, we are always willing to listen and encourage - we can only do this if you talk to us! Both Mrs Haley and Mrs Martin love a chat, and can see you in person, or via a Teams call.

Afterschool Clubs

Clubs will continue after half term on the same day, at the same time, with the same children.

School Dinners

We will be continuing with the same menu until May half term; we return on Week 3 (pizza, pasta or sandwich).

Unfortunately due to rising costs, our dinner prices will be **increasing to £2.80** after the Easter Break.

Swimming Y4 & Y5

Year 4 and Year 5 will continue to swim after the Easter break;
Don't forget your swimming kits!

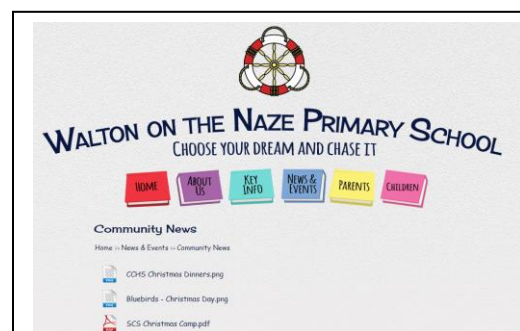
Please encourage your children to swim as it is a curriculum lesson,
and a necessity for children who live near the sea!



We would also remind you that body sprays are not permitted - please use a roll-on.

Community News

Due to GDPR guidelines, we can now only advertise certain events on the Newsletter. All other events are on our Community Page, on the school website. You'll find it under "News & Events". Please do keep checking it - it will be updated regularly. There is also some information available on the noticeboard in the foyer; please pop in and have a look.



Mental Health support

We have been made aware of an app and website called 'Hub of Hope'. This can be used to search for various mental health/well-being support services in this area.



<https://hubofhope.co.uk/>

Registration

The school gates open at 8:30am - registration will be **8:45am for all children**. After 8.45am, you will need to take your children to the office and sign them in on a Late Form, providing a reason for the lateness.

Please note that if you are late, after 8.45am, you will not be able to bring your scooter or bicycle in to school.

Lateness

Despite previous newsletters, we are still seeing children continually arriving late for school, therefore missing the input for that lesson. This also becomes a problem if the children miss phonics each day. It can also cause children to become very anxious entering the class when they are all settled. What can you do to improve your timekeeping? Set an alarm, go to bed earlier, encourage your parents/carers to help you be on time.

Sickness Policy

Please remember, our policy states that children cannot return to school for **48 hours after the last episode of sickness / diarrhoea**. Please ring if you are unsure but, if your child has a cough or cold, please send them in! We will always phone home if they are really poorly. **Remember, we need to get above 95.6%!**

- Some NHS guidance can be found by following this link: [NHS Guidance for Parents](#): Is my child too ill for school? – a useful resource to help parents decide when children should stay at home.

Absence

Please do not forget to phone the school before 9.30am each day of your child's absence unless told otherwise. Remember, EVERY DAY COUNTS! No absences will be authorised unless exceptional circumstances. We will be fining or even prosecuting those families who are consistently absent from school. It is parental duty to bring your child to school every day.

Please provide a copy of any medical appointments - you can also email these, copies of hospital letters etc, to Mrs Smiley on admin@walton.essex.sch.uk or Mrs Martin on senadmin@walton.essex.sch.uk

Parents / Carers Reminders

Trips - if you have any concerns about trips, including payments, please contact a member of the Senior Leadership Team - Mrs Bliss, Mrs Allen, Miss West or Mrs Barker. You can catch them on the playground, or you can contact the office and ask for a call-back.

Clubs - if your child has a place at an after-school club, please ensure they attend, unless they are poorly. We run waiting lists for most clubs, and it is not acceptable for a child to not turn up because they "didn't feel like going". This takes a place away from another child. It also teaches children about commitment.

Please ensure you are on time to collect your child from the front office

Contact Numbers / Emails

Don't forget to update these at the office - this ensures we can contact you, and send texts and emails. Children get very upset if we cannot contact parents / carers.

We are sending more information out via email, so **please ensure we have emails for both parents**; this hopefully ensures that everybody receives the same information. Please contact the office if you think we may not have all your email contacts

Medical Information

Please ensure you let Mrs Martin know if your child receives a new diagnosis, or needs medication in school. There are appropriate forms to fill in and be signed off. Please do not send any medication in with your child. All medication in school has to be agreed, logged and bagged.

If your child has regular medication, please ensure that you get the repeat prescription in plenty of time!

Please contact Mrs Martin on senadmin@walton.essex.sch.uk with any queries.

PE Kit

Please make a note of your child's PE days, ensuring they come to school in their PE kit on the correct days. Please can children wear navy or black tracksuit bottoms for PE, with no large logos or emblems.

New timetable below, some classes have changed:

Class	Days
EYFS	Wednesday & Friday
Class 1 Miss West	Monday & Wednesday
Class 2 Mrs Barker	Tuesday & Wednesday
Class 3 Miss Coutts	Monday & Thursday
Class 4 Mrs McIntyre & Miss Lobosco	Monday (swimming) & Friday
Class 5 Mrs Smith & Mrs Allen	Monday (swimming) & Thursday
Class 6 Miss Hagan	Wednesday & Friday

Speaking with staff:

There is always a member of SLT on the gate to discuss problems or concerns with. If you wish to talk in confidence, please make an appointment to see us.

If you wish to speak to a child or deliver something, please take this to the Office. We do not wish children to be encouraged to be near the red line by the fences for safety reasons.

Please keep all language appropriate - we do not expect swearing on site, especially in front of the children. We do expect all conversations to be polite - we will not tolerate rudeness to staff. Thank you.

We are proud...

We have a display board in the foyer to celebrate children's achievements outside of school. We know we have some cheerleaders and footballers! We need some new photos! Please send any photos, along with a brief explanation, to Mrs Martin at senadmin@walton.essex.sch.uk

World Book Day

Thank you for encouraging your children to dress up and read. We hope the children enjoyed hearing the adult's favourite stories. A few photos at the end of the Newsletter, and in the foyer.

Golden Book & Rainbow

These are awarded every Friday in our special assembly. Golden Book is in recognition of great attitudes to learning or specific effort for pieces of work and our Rainbow lanyards are to recognise those children who are always doing the right thing and setting a good example to others.

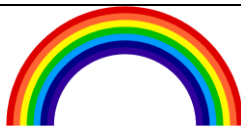
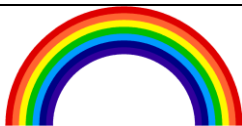
Rainbow Tea 13.2.26

EYFS: Isabelle & Marnie
 1W: Muhammed & Gabrielle
 2B: Freddie-George & Elodie-Mae
 3P: Harley & Sophia
 4ML: Sitong & Lacey
 5SA: Sammy & Kim
 6P: Great & Leo

Rainbow Tea 27.3.26

EYFS: Freddie & Albie
 1W: Esme B & Olivia
 2B: Emily & Ethan
 3P: Ella & Evie-Alice
 4ML: Layla & Brooke
 5SA: Daisy & Matilda
 6P: Ronnie & Ruby-Grace

27.2.26			6.3.26		
R	Albie	Isla-Rose & Roman	R	Amber	Daniel & Reggie
1	Bella-Rose	Esme & Flourish	1	Scarlett	Dolleigh & Esme B
2	Thea	Emily & Ethan	2	Reuben	Ella & Georgia-Rae
3	Arthur	Matilda & Amelia-Louise	3	Evie-Alice	Jacob & Ella
4	Bethany	Poppie & Ayaan	4	Joshua	Sophie & Bethany
5	Kai	Nikoloz & Matilda	5	Daisy	Bella & Oliver
6	Lola	Ronnie & Ruby-Grace	6	Mia-J	Violet & Max

13.3.26			20.3.26		
R	Daniel	Ivy & Freddie	R	Isabella	Albie & Marnie
1	Oliver	Archie & Olivia	1	Rupert	Dolleigh & Penelope
2	Rueben	Elodie-Mae & Mabel	2	Ryu	Emily & Dexter
3	Prairie	Eabha-Jean & Jacob	3	Max	Evie-Alice & Eabha
4	Olivia	Peter D & Brooke	4	Kit J	Olivia & Layla
5	Rachel	Eddie & Daisy	5	Daniyal	Maisie & Nancy
6	Louis	Charlie & Amelia	6	Light	Leo & Ruby S

Thank you for your ongoing support. Enjoy half term break.

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Mrs Bliss
 Head Teacher



30.3.26	Easter Holidays
13.4.26	School opens 8.30am
w/c 11/5/26	Y6 SATS
19.5.26	Y6 & Y2 to Colchester Zoo
22.5.26	PTA Non-Uniform Day in exchange for a sweet/chocolate donation for the Summer Fete tombola
25.5.26	Half Term Holiday
1.6.26	School opens 8.30am
4/5.6.26	Bikeability
5.6.25	PTA Non-Uniform Day in exchange for a gift/sweet/chocolate donation for the Summer Fete tombola
11.6.26	Y6 trip to London (Hercules & Tate Modern)
15.6.26	Garrison sports trip
20.6.26	Summer Fete (details to follow)
25.6.26	TTC Transition Day
26.6.26	Y5 experience day at TTC
29.6.26	Book Fair (Monday to Thursday, after school)
7.7.26	Sports Day
8-10.7.26	Y6 to Birch Hall
17.7.26	Last day of term
20.7.26	Non Pupil Day
21.7.26	Summer Holidays

Attendance News

The attendance chart below shows the attendance for each class for the previous week in school. Our target is 96.5%. This will be updated and posted on each newsletter.

Week ending 13.2.26

1	Class 4	92.85%
2	Class 1	90.35%
3	Class 6	89.67%
4	Class 5	89.63%
5	Class 2	87.77%
6	Class 3	87.66%
7	Class EYFS	76.88%

Week ending 27.2.26

1	Class 3	98.33%
2	Class 5	97.78%
3	Class 1	96.42%
4	Class 4	95.71%
5	Class 6	95.67%
6	Class 2	95.18%
7	Class EYFS	90.00%

Week ending 6.3.26

1	Class 4	97.14%
2	Class 3	96.55%
3	Class 1	95.71%
4	Class 6	93.33%
5	Class 2	92.69%
6	Class 5	91.85%
7	Class EYFS	87.09%

Week ending 13.3.26

1	Class 1	95.55%
2	Class EYFS	94.83%
3	Class 5	94.81%
4	Class 2	94.23%
5	Class 3	93.33%
6	Class 6	92.33%
7	Class 4	91.78%

Week ending 20.3.26

1	Class 5	96.30%
2	Class 2	95.48%
3	Class 6	94.00%
4	Class 3	92.66%
5	Class 4	92.06%
6	Class 1	89.62%
7	Class EYFS	86.77%

Spring Term prize trip

Well done to Class 4 who won the Spring Term treat!

1	Class 4	94.09%
2	Class 6	94.00%
3	Class 3	93.70%
4	Class 5	93.33%
5	Class 2	93.24%
6	Class 1	92.41%
7	Class EYFS	89.74%

Year to date 20.3.26

Who looks like they could win the year trip?

Currently, Class 4 are in the lead - they have won the Autumn and Spring termly reward.

Come on everybody, let's show them what you can do; don't you want to win a trip out? Can you beat Class 4?

1	Class 4	94.47%
2	Class 2	94.14%
3	Class 6	94.07%
4	Class 5	93.46%
5	Class 3	93.45%
6	Class 1	91.67%
7	Class EYFS	90.72%

SchoolCycled

We have joined a new initiative to raise awareness of recycling, and earn "earth points" to spend on recycled items - we're hoping to collect enough earth points to buy some benches for the school playground - each bench costs approximately 600 kg of tops!

We've already "recruited" Costa in Frinton to save their milk bottle tops, and the coffee shops at Colchester Station!



Please can you save your plastic bottle tops for us - milk, squash, fizzy drinks etc?

**Can you encourage your friends and family to save them for us, or even your place of work?
Every top helps!**

These two medium freezer bags are not quite one kg, so it will take some doing, but I'm sure we can do it!



Please, please can you wash and dry the lids, especially the milk ones, to avoid smells!



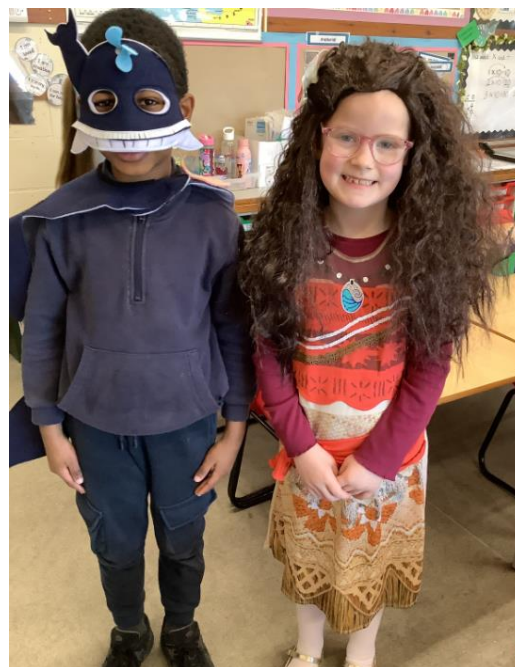
If you can, please send them in a tied bag, this will make it easier for us to double check the contents bag by bag, instead of a large box!

There are two collection boxes for your tops - one in the main foyer, and one outside the office.

Let's see how quick we can fill a box.

World Book Day

We loved seeing your costumes and hearing you reading your favourite books!









Class 4 wn the Spring Term prize for best attendance. They enjoyed an afternoon of games, colouring and treats.



Easter Fayre

Thankyou for your support at the Easter Fayre. Total raised will be known after the holidays.

Well done to everybody who made a bonnet - Mrs Allen found it extremely hard to judge as they were all so beautiful.

A big thankyou to Carl at Tesco on the Triangle at Frinton; they provided the eggs for our Easter Bonnet winners, plus some additional raffle prizes.



Free event at Tiny Bloom Café - Butterfly & Bee

**FREE
EVENT**

ALL AGES WELCOME!

Join us
SATURDAY 4th APRIL
11am -3:3pm

*Tiny
Bloom*
PLAY CAFE

Butterfly & Bee
CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE & GIFTS

For a very special
DOUBLE AUTHOR VISIT!

**WE ARE SO EXCITED TO SAY WE WILL BE
JOINED BY..**



OLIVIA WAKEFORD
"THE SHADOW PONY"

&

CLAIRE HATCHER-SMITH
"THE MIZZY MYSTERIES"



**BOTH AUTHORS BOOKS WILL BE
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE ON THE
DAY AND BE SIGNED!**



**45 Connaught
Avenue
Frinton - On - Sea
C0139PN**

**WE WILL ALSO BE JOINED BY JAMES FROM THE AMAZING
THE REBEL READING SOCIETY!**
**JAMES WILL BE HOSTING SOME FAB ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL
REBEL READING GIVEAWAYS!**