Wallace Fields Junior School Weekly Bulletin

14th October 2022



KEY DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

- Monday 17th October
 - Continue bringing in harvest donations
 - Fireworks Night Volunteer Priority ticket release closes at 8pm
- Wednesday 19th October
 - Harvest Assembly announcement of winning year group.
 - Year 6 Tea Party 2-3pm
 - Fireworks Night General ticket release at 8pm. Tickets sell out quickly.
- Friday 21st October
 - Deadline for Pumpkin Competitions

- Halloween Mufti
- Break up for half term finish at normal time 3.20/3.30pm

• Monday 31st October

- INSET day
- Year 6 Deadline for applications to Secondary Schools

Tuesday 1st November

- Return after half term.
- Deadline to return artwork for PTA Design a Christmas card Cauliflower Cards
- Deadline for Chris Grayling Christmas card competition

HEAD'S UPDATE



It was wonderful to meet the Year 3 and Year 4 parents and carers at the tea parties this week. It is always so lovely to meet up face to face and enjoy the children singing live. It was also an opportunity to look at their books and see what they have been doing. I did mention the Positive Parent Workshop because these are free and those attending have commented on how valuable they are in helping with parenting, establishing boundaries and improving resil ience whilst ensuring a positive relationship with our children. The next one is 18th January 2023 (9.30am - 11.30am) and reminders will be in this bulletin shortly before.

Thank you also for your kind donations, including the cakes and we hope you enjoyed the event as much as the children. Thank you for your feedback and your kind offers of volunteering which I also mentioned in my short talk. If you are able to come in on a regular basis, however short, please contact the office (or your child's teacher) and let them know and we can do the relevant checks and you will be trained up into a valuable resource and part of the Wallace Fields Junior Team. Some of our 'Helping Hands' have been with us many years and really enjoy seeing what life is like inside

school and helping make a difference to many other children's learning and development. Have a very pleasant weekend.

THIS WEEK

Fire, Evacuation and Lockdown Drills

You may have heard that we have carried out a number of fire drills, lockdown drills and evacuation drills over the last couple of weeks. The school is required by Government to regularly hold these drills. The purpose of a school lockdown is to protect the children and adults in the building from a potential emergency. As with fire drills and other safety programs, the hope is to prepare pupils and teachers to a procedure that they will be able to follow quickly, effectively, and safely. We are unable to inform parents and children in advance as it would not be an effective drill. Class teachers explained the drills and the announcement across the school also makes sure it is a drill not the real thing. Less dramatic examples are given to the children to explain the lockdown for example an animal escaping the zoo or helicopter landing on the school field as this is a good way to explain why a lockdown or evacuation might occur. Please encourage your children to talk to their class teacher if they have concerns. The children did well in all the drills that have taken place this term, remaining calm and walking sensibly in and out of the building.

District Cross Country



Following on from the exciting inter house cross-country competition last week. Wallace Fields cross-country team took part in the Epsom and Ewell Districts cross-country event on Wednesday 12th October 2022. All team members showed remarkable grit and determination to come 5th overall. An amazing result was accomplished by the girls who came 3rd. Big thank you to all who took part, we are so proud of you!

IMPORTANT NEWS

Reminder - INSET Day after Half Term

The first day back after half term will be Tuesday 1st November. **Monday 31st October 2022** is an INSET day so school will be closed to children.

Please bring in Harvest Festival Donations - Deadline 19th October

This Harvest Festival, we are collecting non-perishable foods for the charity UKHarvest. UKHarvest is a not-for-profit perishable food rescue operation and education charity, eliminating hunger and food

waste. Click here ¹ for more information. Please do not include perishables and please ensure the "use by" dates are at least up to Spring 2023. How about items such as small tea, tinned salmon, pickles, chutney, small jars of jam or honey, biscuits or crackers. **Donations can be brought into the child's classroom as soon as possible before the morning of Wednesday 19th October.** The year group with the most items will be awarded an extra playtime.



SEND Coffee Afternoon - Date for your diary

Mrs Elliott would like to invite parents/carers of children with SEND to a 'SEND Coffee Afternoon' on 9th November 2022 from 2.30-3.00pm. It will be an opportunity for an informal chat with the SENDCO Mrs Elliott and to meet other parents/carers of SEND children.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Volunteer needed to Supervise Children with Guinea Pigs

We are looking for a parent/carer to supervise guinea pigs one or two days per week. Cleaning out would also be amazing but not necessary. Please contact SENDCO@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk²



Donate Unused Orchestral Instruments.

Do you have an unused, orchestral instrument you would be happy to donate to the school?

¹https://www.ukharvest.org.uk/our-family/what-we-do

²mailto:SENDCO@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

In Music lessons these last few weeks I have been teaching the children about orchestral instruments. There are some wonderful resources on the internet but it would be even more meaningful if I could actually let the children see and handle a selection of instruments. Ideally, I would like one instrument from each section (strings, woodwind and brass). I have a clarinet so am looking for a violin or viola, and a brass instrument (preferably a trumpet as it's smaller to store!) As they won't be being played, instruments don't need to be in playing order - any condition would be appreciated.

Many thanks in advance, Mrs Johnstone

Bright Emulsion Paint Needed

We are refurbishing a bench on the playground in a new role. We are creating a 'Friendship Bench' and we want to paint it bright, friendly colours. If anyone has any spare brightly coloured emulsion paint they could donate to the school that would be fantastic. The bench is being introduced by our positive play leaders who are keen to encourage games and interaction in the playgorund. Please drop your spare paint into the school office.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Halloween Mufti day



Design Your Own Christmas cards

This week your children will come home with a form for the PTA Christmas Card fund raiser - design your own Christmas cards, labels or mugs to be professionally printed. Get creative by the end of half term — you can order online by **Monday 31st October** and finished artwork can be returned to the school office. No later than the morning of **Tuesday 1st November 2022**.

Full details and artwork advice were emailed out this week. Any queries to Suraya Siddiqui (Rayyan 6K) on surayams@gmail.com³. We raise money for school with every card ordered!



Pumpkin Competitions - Guess the Weight and Pumpkin Artwork

Guess the weight of the Pumpkin.

For those less arty children we have a second competition. We are encouraging children to guess the weight of the pumpkin in the school hall. Bring in £1 to bid for the pumpkin guess the weight.

Pumpkin Art Project

We are seeing lots of really clever and creative pumpkins. Please keep them coming in. Deadline is 17th October. The winner will be announced on 21st October and will win a pumpkin. The competition costs £1. See some ideas to inspire them below.



³mailto:surayams@gmail.com

Tickets to Firework Night - 6th November

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Our super-popular Fireworks night will be on **Sunday 6th November 2022**. Tickets always sell out so don't miss out!

222222222 Huge thanks the volunteers for agreeing to help us at the fireworks. We're super excited for another smooth running event with all your help! There are a couple of slots left and if you help out you get priority access to tickets!

Volunteer Priority ticket release: Monday 17th October at 8pm (we will email you the priority booking link. Please ensure you are opted in to receiving emails from PTA events to ensure you get the email) 22222222

22222223*General ticket release: Wednesday 19th October at 8pm*

Purchase online at: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfispta

Tickets are for current school families only. Tickets are non-refundable and if you have signed up for a volunteer slot and are no longer able to help you will need to fill your volunteer slot with another parent.

WFIS and WFJS PTA????????



YEAR 3 REMINDERS

See Year 3 in Action on Twitter

We love to share with parents/carers the exciting photographs of the activities the children are involved with in school and on trips and visits using the school Twitter account. See below a couple of the tweets from this week. Click here to sign up to Twitter and follow Wallace Fields Junior School. Before your Year 3 child started with us you completed an online registration form which included photographic permission. Many Year 3 parents have not given permission for their child's photograph to be used on Twitter. This means your child will not be featured in the Twitter pictures at any time - this includes trips and visits. If you would to like to see your child's image in school Tweets then please complete the photo permission form and email it or bring it into the School Office. Click here for the form.

⁴https://twitter.com/wallacefieldsjs

⁵https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/forms

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PAW Visit

Year 3 received a visit from the PAW (Prayer at Wallace Fields) group this week. They introduced us to Christian beliefs by allowing the children to see what a bible looks like, watch some videos and even play a fun game of hang man to show their learning. Thank you PAW!

Human Machine Visit

This week, Year 3 had a fantastic visit from Crew Theatre where we learnt all about 'the human machine'. We looked at different parts of the body, including the digestive system and how it works. The children said they didn't have a great time, they had an amazing time! Fantastic feedback from all.

Please see our Twitter account for lots of photos.

http://twitter.com/statuses/1579795765601308672

Year 4 Reminders

Thanks

Thank you to all the Year 4 parents/carers who brought in cakes on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many parents. We have had some lovely feedback from one parent.

"Thank you for the lovely afternoon tea on Wednesday. It was great to come into school, hear the children sing and to look at my child's work. It was lovely to see the enthusiastic children serving the cakes. As a parent with a child with food allergies ... it was reassuring to hear that parents could

take a cake home for their child but not consume them at the event. My parents travelled a long journey on the train as they had not been into see school shows since pre pandemic. They both commented on how bright and cheerful the school was and enjoyed being part of this afternoon. They were delighted that grandparents were welcomed too."

YEAR 5 REMINDERS



Year 5 Tea Party

Thursday 3rd November 2.00 - 3.00pm

Siblings & grandparents are welcome

Meet the Head, the Deputy Head and teachers

Visit your child's class and the library

Hear your child sing

Look through your child's books and talk to them about their work

Have tea & cake

We request that all parents bring in cake donations to school on the morning of the tea party.

REMEMBER: We are a strictly NO NUTS school. Please include a list of ingredients.

YEAR 6 REMINDERS



2 Litre Empty Water Bottles Needed

Please can Year 6 children all bring in an empty 2 litre water bottle on Monday next week. Thank you.

School Nurse Year 6 - Health and Weight Screening

Each year in England, Year 6 children have their height and weight checked as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. Complete the electronic consent form with either Yes or No.

Visit https://www.cfhschilddevelopment.co.uk/Form/NCMP Enteryour school's unique code: - SR125298



CLUBS

No Science and Spanish Clubs next week

There will be no Science or Spanish Clubs the week commencing 17th October 2022 as the club leader, Mrs Hernandez, is away. The club leader has already contacted all parents/carers to let them now.

Book Club - October meeting

We discussed our September books. A big 'well done' to Daniel W. in Year 4 for his resilient reading this month - ploughing on to finish his book. The Book Club Monster's Question of the Month was: What is the scariest story/book you've ever read or heard?

Year 3 new joiners still welcome. Email steph.clarkson@btconnect.com⁶

This month we have a spooky selection of funny, adventurous and gripping reads:

⁶mailto:steph.clarkson@btconnect.com

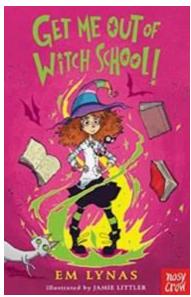
Year 3 are choosing to read either The Beast and the Bethany by Jack Meggitt-Phillips; Dead Good Detectives by Jenny McLachlan; Stitch Head by Guy Bass; Witch Wars by Sibeal Pounder or You Can't Make Me Go to Witch School by Em Lynas.

Year 4 can read either Following Frankenstein by Catherine Bruton; Dead Good Detectives by Jenny Maclachlan; Stitch Head by Guy Bass or the You Can't Make Me Go to Witch School series by Em Lynas.

Year 5 can read; The Howling Hag Mystery by Nicki Thornton; The Deadly 7 by Garth Jennings; The Whisperling by Hayley Hoskins; Rules for Vampires by Sara Ogilvie or Ghost by Jason Reynolds.

Year 6 can choose between The Whisperling by Hayley Hoskins, The Monsters of Rookhaven by Padraig Kenny: Lockwood & Co. The Screaming Staircase by Jonathan Stroud or The Ghost of Thomas Kempe by Penelope Lively









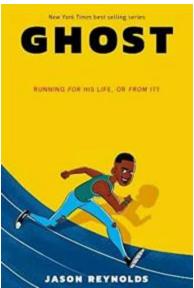




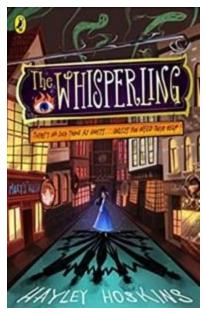


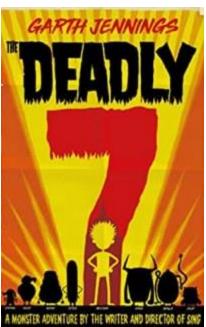












ONLINE SAFETY

Online Safety - YOUR OPINION MATTERS!

Online Safety is a huge, current topic for all. Technology is all around and children are accessing the internet more and more in the modern world. We therefore have regular Online Safety discussions in Computing lessons and have a focus each term on an aspect of Online Safety. We want to ensure the message about online safety is also being spoken about at home. Therefore, we have joined **National Online Safety** who provide videos for parents all about internet safety. We will be posting videos and links regularly in the bulletin but would like to hear your opinion about what you would like support with. Please complete this Google Form to let us know where your concerns are regarding online safety.

https://forms.gle/5QLvbGhvXrmxssVJ9

 $To join our \, National \, Online \, Safety \, community, \, register for free \, on \, the \, link.$

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/wallace-fields-junior-school





Parenting Help and Support





Home-Start Epsom and Ewell

Offer to Schools

The aim of this project is to offer support to families of PRIMARY aged children living in the borough of EPSOM AND EWELL, who may be finding life challenging for a variety of reasons.

These could include: -

- having a child with SEND e.g. ADMDIASD
 a child with emotional/behavioural needs
 Parents who would benefit from accessing support to feel less isolated

Support on offer to schools includes

- 1 to 1 support and advice
 Parenting/SEND Workshops

Including: Positive Parenting

Dealing with Difficult Emotions

Building Self Esteem and Resilience

- > Coffee mornings A chance to chat to other parents and a Home-start
- coordinator

 Family Links Parenting Courses

 Help to find appropriate support within the community.

For more information about the Over 5s and SEND project or to make a referral

Lesley Lane
Senior Family Coordinator
Home-Start Epsom and Ewell
Lesley LaneChseeb.org.uk
07554403522



General Reminders and News





Chris Grayling Christmas Card Competition

The Chris Grayling Art competition is open for entries! The winning Christmas card will be the official Christmas card for 2022, printed and sent out to community groups, local charities as well as to the Prime Minister and members of the cabinet!

The card needs to be on an A4 piece of paper in felt tip pen. Please do not use glitter or stick anything onto the picture. It needs to be 2D.

The following details must be on the back of the card:-Name-Year group-Age-Name of school

The deadline for entries is Tuesday 1st November 2022. Please submit all entries to Miss Jacques (4J).

Boots are not permitted

Boots are not permitted in school. The uniform is smart sensible black shoes sensible, no fashion shoes. Neat black trainers with fully black soles, no colours in the trainer are permitted.

Open Days for Prospective Parents

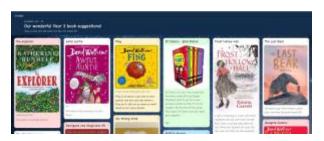
Would you like to visit our wonderful school, meet the Headteacher and get a chance to talk with some of our pupils?

We are holding open mornings for prospective parents/carers this term **10.15-11am on the following dates: Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th, Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd, and Tuesday 29th November**. If you are interested in booking a tour, please click here ⁷ and complete the form if you would like to attend.

Book Reviews

Please encourage your child to read a variety of books. If you are looking for inspiration please see our Padlets. Has your child loved a book recently, please encourage your child to write on this web platform Padlet. It is a real-time collaborative web platform in which users can upload, organise, and share content to virtual bulletin boards (padlets).

- Click here⁸ for the Year 3 page.
- Click here⁹ for the Year 4 page.
- Click here 10 for the Year 5 page.
- Click here 11 for the Year 6 page.



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⁸https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/pxggmtmp90qf3fos

⁹https://padlet.com/WFJSMissDay/u80ilgj717l6axvv

¹⁰https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/Topbooks

¹¹https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/34nua6oahele6gb7

Are You Looking for Childcare for Half Term?



Urgent Messages

For urgent messages, absences, pick up arrangements and general enquiries please email the School Office on Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk¹² or by calling **020 8393 0350**.

If you need to talk to your child's teacher regarding homework or learning, please contact them through their email address. Click on the red envelope next to the staff member on the following page https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/our-staff. Teaching staff will do their utmost to respond within 48 hours. If your email is urgent please do contact the school office.

Sign Up For Energy Kidz Our Wrap Around Care Provider

Energy Kidz provides excellent wraparound care at Wallace Fields Junior School. They run Breakfast Club from 7:30am until 8:45am and After School Club from 3:20pm until 6:00pm. Click here ¹³ for more information.



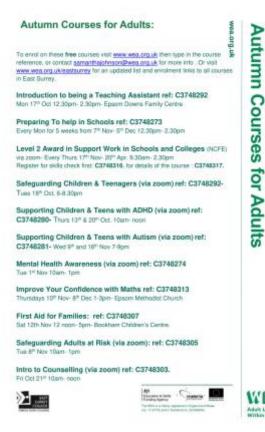
Latest School Calendar Dates

For the latest dates click here ¹⁴ for calendar on website.

¹²mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

¹³ https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-clubs/wallace-fields-junior-school/

COMMUNITY NEWS



¹⁴https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/school-calendar

Introduction to Being a **Teaching Assistant**

Are you considering volunteering or working in school?

This free course will explain the skills needed to be a teaching assistant, the job role and responsibilities and the different paths to training. We after courses including accredited courses in this subject to progress to afterwards.

Date and Time: Monday 17th October 12:30pm-2:30pm Venue: Epsom Downs Family centre, St Leonards Road, Epsom Downs, Surrey

Enrol at www.wea.org.uk course ref C3748272 https://emolanine.was.org.uk/Online/2022/Courselnto.aspx?n-C3746272 or enrol by phone: phone 0300 303 3464 quoting C3748272









Preparing To Help in Schools

Are you considering volunteering or working in school?

This free practical 5 week course, delivered by a Primary School Teacher, will explain how to support Literacy, Numeracy and Social and Emotional Development of Children, it will also help you to understand the National Curriculum and Safeguarding esponsibilities.

We offer accredited courses to progress onto afterwards.

Date and Time: Mondays 7th November-5th December

12.30pm- 2.30pm Venue: Epsom Downs Family Centre, St Leonards Road, Epsom

Downs, Surrey Errol at www.wea.org.uk course ref C3748273

or click the link https://enrolonine.wea.org.uk/Online/2021/CourseInto.aspx?r=C3748273

hone 0300 303 3464 quoting C3748273







Schools & Parenting Courses



Introduction to being a teaching assistant



Are you interested in Training to Teach?

A good teacher can inspire hope, ignite the imagination and instil a love of learning.

COME ALONG TO OUR GET INTO TEACHING EVENT AND FIND OUT HOW YOU COULD EMBARK ON A CAREER WITH EXCELLENT PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES WHERE NO TWO DAYS ARE THE SAME



Thursday 3rd November 4.30 -5.30pm @ The Vale School, Epsom KT18

To register to attend please click HERE or scan the QR code below



GLF Schools Teacher Training is an alliance of highly successful schools in Surrey and West Susses. We have a very strong history of providing exceptional Initial Teacher Training since 2013, with high employment rates within our partnership schools and

Our 'Get into Teaching' evening is open to anyone interested in training to teach in either the Primary or Secondary sector - start date September 2023.

The event will include a presentation from our team of experts explaining how school-based teacher training works as well as offering you the opportunity to ask questions about the options available to you and what it's like to teach. You will also get to one advice on the entry requirements, application process and the financial support available to you.



Hear what our trainees have to say about our progra



If you have any questions please email our team at info@glftt.org





Bourne Museum Hall

CAVE PAINTING

Kids Club

Wednesday 26 October 2022 And Thursday 27 October 2022 11am-to 12.pm & 2pm-to 3.pm

In the deep time of prehistory early men crawled down into the darkest caves and used light from primitive capilles to paint pictures of themselves and the animals they hunted,

They left behind a vivid record of their way of life and some class of what they believed in. Discover how and why these paintings were created.

Then by flickering light try to create your own cave painting in

Cost £5 per child. Two identical sessions will be run, please book to reserve your place; maximum 16 children.

Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk







Wise woman or witch? You decide.

Saturday October 29 2022 1pm to 2.30pm



Early witches were people who used magic, calling upon spirits for help or to bring about change. Most witches were thought to be unbelievers doing the Devil's work. Many, however, were simply natural healers or so-called 'wise women' whose choice of profession was misunderstood. Meet two wise women. They will talk of superstitions, religion and witches also bringing their Barber Surgeon equipment and telling of their gorier treatments. Learn about alchemy: how to turn base metal to gold. Now that's Magic!

Cast £5 per child. Further information is available from Dovid Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell. Surrey, KT17 1UF, Tel 0208 394 1734, Email abrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk