## Wallace Fields Junior School Weekly Bulletin

#### 16th September 2022



#### **KEY DATES FOR NEXT WEEK**

- Monday 19th September Bank Holiday for Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral. School closed.
- Tuesday 20th September to Friday 29th September **Epsom and Ewell Arts Exhibition** at Bourne Hall
- Wednesday 21st September Selected pupils to **7-a-side football tournament at Epsom College** 8.45am-1.45pm
- Wednesday 21st September **Maths Workshop** Year 3 face to face, rest of school virtual. 3.40-4.30pm
- Thursday 22nd September **Second hand uniform sale** 3.15-3.45pm. Thank you to the PTA for organising.
- Thursday 22nd September **Year 5 & 6 football squad training starts** after school 3.30-4.30pm. Parents will be informed on Tuesday 20th.

#### **HEAD'S UPDATE**



**Welcome Meetings:** It was so lovely to see the Year 5 and Year 6 parents and carers this week at the welcome meetings. Lots of information about the exciting trips the children have ahead of them and the increased expectations were talked about and they were lived streamed for those who could not attend in person. The next opportunity meeting up is the year group tea parties! I look forward to seeing you then.

**New Children:** The Year 3 have been settling in very quickly and have adjusted to the extra responsibility and independence we promote at junior school very well. We have had a number of new children starting this year in the other year groups and they have done very well - some joining School Council, others getting headteacher awards already and the majority very swiftly establishing strong friendship groups. It has been wonderful to see them settling in so well and the other children have all been exceptionally supportive and kind to them to make them feel welcome.

Yoga Club: We are starting a Yoga club - especially aimed at sensitive and anxious children to build up their strength and relieve stress. Yoga is an ancient practice from India over 5,000 years ago - a special assembly this Friday was held to help explain what yoga is all about. Spaces in the club still for the children to sign up to. Mr Kennedy came in to do a judo assembly last week - a very popular club, and Year 3 very excited to see what that was all about. See the website for details on clubs. Please make a note of start and end dates for each club and please inform EnergyKidz or your after school care if your child is doing a club after school on some days (remember EnergyKidz can receive your children straight from their club!).

Bank Holiday Monday: The Government has announced that Monday 19th September will be a national bank holiday to allow individuals, businesses, and other organisations to pay their respects to Her Majesty and commemorate her reign, while marking the final day of the period of national mourning. We had a minute of silence on Friday 9th September and teachers have had assemblies and discussions with the children regarding this historically significant event and discussing thoughts and feelings on this topic. School will be closed.

**Reviewing and Reducing Uniform Costs:** During this financial crisis and with energy costs set to rise significantly we are all under increasing pressure financially and so we have been reviewing our

school uniform policy and looking at ways of reducing the cost to be as low as possible. We are looking at alternative materials and the use of more non branded items. We are also holding more regular used uniform sales where uniform can be bought at a very low cost. The next sale is 3.15pm - 3.45pm next Thursday 22nd September and will be on the island outside the main gate. Thanks to the PTA for running this. You will see the costs reducing on the website and future uniform reforms will be put in the bulletin.

#### **IMPORTANT NEWS**



#### **Epsom and Ewell Art Festival**

Next Week, **Tuesday 20th September to Friday 29th September** is the Epsom and Ewell Art Festival at Bourne Hall. All are welcome to come and view the exhibition. Congratulations to Scarlet *C*, Alexis R, Ira C and Max L whose work has been selected and will be on display they are also invited to the opening ceremony on Tuesday 20th September. The festival will celebrate the artistic talents from children across the borough. Anyone is welcome to visit the exhibition.

#### Would Anyone Like Some Giant African Land Snails?

Would anyone like some Giant African Land Snails as the school snails have had lots of babies over the summer? All you need is a small tank and they are very easy pets to look after. For more information click here<sup>1</sup>. Please email Ms Gough on EGough@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk<sup>2</sup> if you would like to take some. Thank you

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://www.wikipet.co.uk/pet-health/keeping-giant-african-land-snails-pets/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>mailto:EGough@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk



#### **Unauthorised Absence**

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not need to be consecutive), they will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices. For our full attendance policy please click here<sup>3</sup>.

#### **Head Lice**

Please note that we have a report of head lice in school. Please can you check your children's hair and treat as necessary. Click here for more information about head lice.

#### **EVENTS COMING UP**

#### **Maths Workshop**

A maths workshop will be held on Wednesday 21st September at 3.40pm. Teachers will inform you of our approach to the maths curriculum and explain how you can support your children further at home. The workshop will be running from 3:40pm and the session will be around 45 minutes - 1 hour. Year 3 parents are welcome to attend face to face in the hall and there will be a Google Meet link for any parents in Year 3 or any other year groups who would like to join remotely. It will give an overview of maths at Wallace Fields Juniors, how to help at home and will include a special guest who will be discussing maths anxiety. The slideshow will be available on the school website after the session.

#### **School Art Competition**

Children are invited to take part in the Wallace Fields Junior School art competition. They can complete their art in their own time at home, this will not take up class time. Children can create a sketch on an A4 piece of paper. The theme for their drawing is; **Save Our Planet**.

Due date for submissions: 14 October 2022 to Miss Jacques, class teacher 4J.

The winners of the competition will be announced before the half term and one child per year group will win a prize! Work that is submitted will also be displayed in the hall.

Miss Jacques

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/attendance

<sup>4</sup>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

#### **YEAR 3 REMINDERS**



#### **Year 3 Homework**

Year 3 homework will begin next week (starting 19th September 2022).

On Mondays, Spelling Shed and Times Table Rock Stars will be set. The children will be set 3 games on each site to complete. These games can either be completed in  $1 \times 30$  minute session or  $3 \times 10$  minute session.

Mathletics will be set on Wednesday. The children will have 1 task to do - known as a 'quest' on the site

The children are expected to read at least 3 times a week and this should be noted in their Reading Records.

In school, the children have spent time logging on to Chromebooks and practising accessing and having a go on all the sites. They should therefore be familiar with the homework at home as they

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Mailto:CJacques@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

have been shown at school. Class teachers will be checking all homework has been completed by the following Monday.

If homework is not completed, children will spend some time with the class teachers during some of their lunch time to catch up - referred to as 'the Catch Up Zone'. All passwords are in the children's Reading Records.

Please note: Due to the Bank Holiday, homework will be set on Tuesday instead of Monday on this given week.

Thank you for your ongoing support in Year 3!

Miss Day and Mr Taylor

#### **Year 3 Welcome Meetings**

It was lovely to meet so many of you last week at the **Year 3 welcome meeting and reading workshop**. If you were unable to attend please click here <sup>6</sup> to download the presentation. We have a number of other meetings in the diary including:-

- A maths workshop will be held on 21st September at 3.40pm when the Year 3 teachers will inform you of the different types of maths that we follow at school and explain how you can support your children further at home.
- A writing and spelling workshop will be held on 28th September 3.30pm when the Year 3 teachers will inform you how we teach writing and spelling and explain how you can support your children further at home.
- A Year 3 Tea Party will be held on 13th October 2.00pm 3.00pm when the children invite you to come into school for a coffee and a chat with other Year 3 parents and carers. The teachers also attend and this is an informal opportunity to meet each other in a relaxed setting.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-3

#### **Year 4 Reminders**



#### **YEAR 5 REMINDERS**

#### **Welcome to Year 5 Welcome Meeting**

It was lovely to meet many of you at the Year 5 welcome meeting. If you were unable to attend the Power Point presentation is available on the Year 5 classes page on the website by clicking here<sup>7</sup>. Our next event will be the **Year 5 tea party on 3rd November from 2.00pm to 3.00pm.** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-5



#### **Football Squad Trials For Year 5**

Well done to all the children who took part in the Year 5 football trials this week. Parents/carers will be notified on Tuesday 20th September. Football team training is expected to take place on Thursdays commencing on the 22nd September 2022. Communication with squads will be via Spond and a link will be sent to you next week.

#### **Year 5 PTA Parent Rep Needed**

Class Reps play a fundamental part of our school community, and provide the link between the school and parents. The key roles include maintaining PTA communication, PTA support and teacher and leaving presents.

We are still looking for a parent rep for Year 5 - Please contact Jade if you are able to help jadetombs@yahoo.co.uk.8

#### **Year 5 River Walk**

We need lots of parent helpers to sign up to help with the walk on Thursday 6th October 2022. Please complete the letter sent out earlier in the week and attached below or email Office 1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk<sup>9</sup>, if you are able to help.

<sup>8</sup> mailto: jadetombs@yahoo.co.uk.

#### **YEAR 6 REMINDERS**

#### Welcome to Year 6

It was lovely to meet many of you at the Year 6 welcome meeting. If you were unable to attend the Power Point presentation is available on the Year 6 classes page on the website by clicking here<sup>10</sup>. Our next event will be the Year 5 Tea Party on Wednesday 19th October from 2.00pm to 3.00pm.



#### **Bikeability**

Each child in Year 6 is given the opportunity to take part in the Bikeability Training Scheme, which replaces Cycling Proficiency. After an initial talk by the Surrey Instructors the children will be taken in groups to cycle on the local roads avoiding main roads.

The training will take place from either **week commencing 3rd or 10th October 2022 during the school day** and each course will include a maximum of 9 children. The course is run by **Surrey County Council** so you will need to enrol and pay using the following:

https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school\_training/110393/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-6

There is a charge of £15.00 per child for the training. Children who are eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) should pay £4 and I will send a discount code to relevant parent/carers in a separate email.

You will need to pay on the link above not via Scopay. When you finish enrolling, you should receive a confirmation email from Surrey County Council cycle training team. Please note that **enrolment closes on Friday 23rd September 2022.** 

Your child will be allocated to one of the courses by the school, after which you will receive a further email giving your dates and times.

Please let the class teacher or school office know as soon as possible **if your child is unable to participate at a particular time**, due to a medical or dental appointment, so that the groups can be organised accordingly.

The children will receive a report at the end of the week outlining their strengths and weaknesses, to assist them in improving their road skills.

Please take time to ensure your child's bicycle and helmet is in good working order and to encourage your child to practice over the next few weeks.

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#### **Epsom College Tournament**

Mr Sellars has invited 9 children to compete in a 7-a-side football tournament at Epsom College on Wednesday 21st September 2022. A letter was sent out earlier this week to those selected. We will leave at 8.45am from Wallace Fields Junior School and should be back by approximately 1.45pm. Thank you to Mrs Hussain who has kindly volunteered to help on the visit.

#### **Important dates**

#### 1 September 2022

You can apply online for a school place.

#### 21 October 2022

We suggest you submit your secondary application by this date as this is the Friday before the half term holiday.

#### 31 October 2022

Closing date for secondary applications but we welcome early applications.

#### 1 March 2023

Secondary outcomes will be sent by post or email. If you applied online, you will receive an email in the evening with the outcome and you can also view your school offer online. If you registered for ParentComms, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.

#### By 15 March 2023

You must confirm whether you wish to accept or decline the place you have been offered.

#### By 29 March 2023

If you wish to appeal for a community school listed on your form, you should submit it by this date so that it can be heard by 15 June 2023. Other schools may have different appeal deadlines.

# Is your child in year 6?

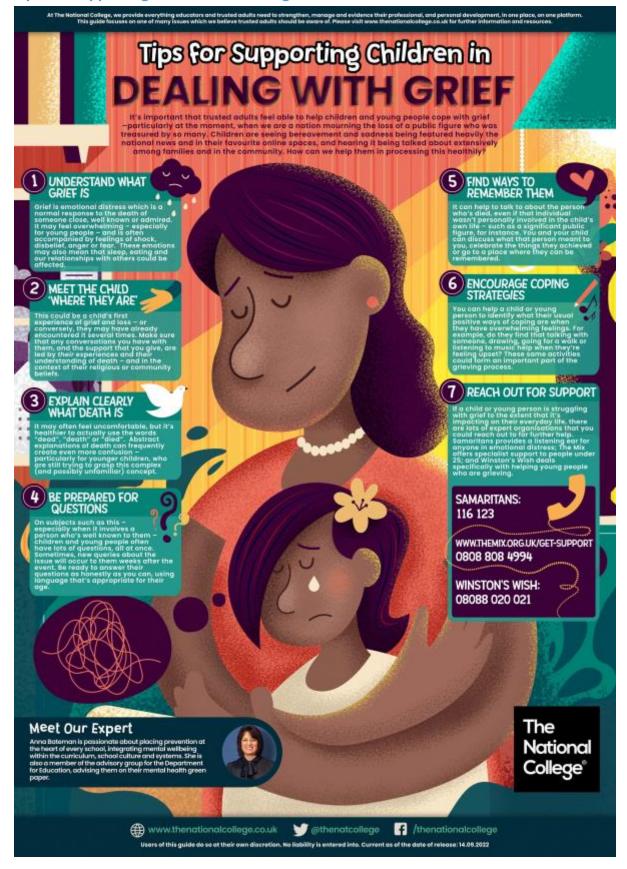
If your child was born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012 you will need to apply for a secondary school place by 31 October 2022.





#### **Parenting Help and Support**

Tips for Supporting Children in Dealing with Grief



#### Brand new parent tool to support online safety in the home

As we begin a new academic year, it is important that we continue to reflect on the online world and consider how we can support our community to keep safe. At Wallace Fields Junior School we teach and discuss with the children about how to safely navigate the online world, however it is important that schools, parents and carers work together to take an active role in teaching children about online safety - at home and at school. We are therefore excited to announce that we are working with National Online Safety - a site that provides free resources for all parents and carers to support keeping our children safe online. The resources include Parents & Carers courses (presented by Myleene Klass), online video resources and weekly guides covering a huge range of topics.

To create your account with Wallace Fields Junior School, please follow our unique link and complete your details. When you're set up, you will be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type and use the informative resources whenever you wish. You can access National Online Safety online via any device-including a smartphone app, by searching 'National Online Safety' in the App Store/Google Play Store.

Joining Link:

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

By children being reminded about online safety at school and at home, we hope to send a joint message to keep our children safe online.

#### **Useful Parenting Workshops and Courses**





#### Home-Start Epsom and Ewell

#### Over 5s and SEND Project

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

- . having a child with SEND e.g. ADHD/ASD
- a child with emotionalibehavioural needs
   Parents who would benefit from accessing support to feel less isolated and/or build confidence in parenting

#### Support on offer to schools includes

- 1 to 1 support and advice
   Parenting/SEND Workshops

Including: Positive Parenting

Dealing with Difficult Emotions

**Building Self Exteem 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** Home-Start Epsom and Ewell Lesley Lanethseeb.org.uk 07554403522

#### **Ewell Family Centre Autumn '22 Zones of Regulation Course**

Looking for ways to help your child Focus when tired, calm down when angry?

Our ZO ES of regulation course gives parents the tools to support children in identifying, understanding and regulating their feelings and emotions.

Sign up for our ZO ES of Regulation course.
Weds 14th September & Weds 28th September 10am – 12pm

To sign up for one of our courses please call or email Ewell Family Centre-Telephone: 0208 337 7310 Option 1 Email: cc.office@ewellfamilycentre.com







## Empowered Parenting Workshop

Parent with confidence when dealing with challenging behaviour

#### What will I learn?

Learn tools and strategies to help you understand the emotional need behind challenging behaviour When? Thursday 22<sup>rd</sup> September 9:45am -11:45am



Where?
Epsom Family
Centre, Pound
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To sign up please call or email Ewell Family Centre: 02083377310 jupition 1) oc.office@ewellfamilycentre.com

#### **PTA**



#### **PTA NEWS**

The PTA have been busy this week planning events for this year. Next week there is the second hand uniform sale and the PTA class reps are starting to work on the year group tea parties. We are still looking for a PTA class rep for Year 5 so please contact Jade Dodd by emailing jadetombs@yahoo.co.uk<sup>11</sup> even if you are only able to help with the tea party.

Save the date for the WFJS /WFIS fireworks on 6th November 2022. This is always a sell out event.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>mailto:jadetombs@yahoo.co.uk

#### **CLUBS**



#### **Football Club News**

Football club spaces filled up very quickly this year so there is currently no spaces. Mr Sellers is however hoping to start another coach in 2 weeks time. This would mean we are able to enrol more participants. Mr Sellers will be in touch with the waiting list once the second coach is confirmed.

#### **Still Some Spaces**

For all the club letters please see the clubs page on our website by clicking here <sup>12</sup>. Please contact the club leader directly using the contact details on their club letter. Please see below a few of the club letters.

Also there are **still a few spaces in Hip Hop club and Yoga.** if you are interested please contact the club leader.

Sadly Mandarin club and Ballroom dancing club will not be going ahead due to insufficient numbers.

#### Year 5 & 6 Walking Home After Clubs

Year 5 and 6 children may walk home after school clubs but only if parents give permission to the Club Leaders via email. The permission given to the school for walking home only applies to walking home at 3.30pm. Please email the club leader and not the school leader with this information.

From the October half-term, all children must be collected from clubs and will not be allowed to walk home.

<sup>12</sup> https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/clubs

#### **Club Start Dates**

**All clubs will have started back by the end of next week.** Chess club, Judo club and Gardening club start during the week commencing 19th September 2022.

If you have mislaid your club letter please click here <sup>13</sup> to download the letter again. For any clubs information please contact the club leader directly - contact details will be on the club letter.

#### 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 <sup>14</sup> for more information.



#### **SCL Holiday Club During October Half Term**

Click here 15 to find out more about SCL's holiday clubs held at Wallace Fields Junior School.



<sup>13</sup>https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/clubs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-clubs/wallace-fields-junior-school/

<sup>15</sup>https://sclactive.co.uk/october-holiday-clubs/

#### **GENERIC REMINDERS & NEWS**

#### **Back Gate At End of School**

The back gate is not open at the end of the day as we cannot staff the back gate now we have increased safeguarding expectations. Thank you for your understanding.

#### **Help And Advice**

If you have any other queries such as paying for a trip, checking a date, lost property, dinner money, parents' evening or need help please call the office on the school number (0208 393 0350) or email us on office 1@wallacefields-jun,.surrey.sch.uk Many events such as assemblies, school trip dates and school events can be checked on our website.

Thank you for your understanding and we appreciate you following school procedures to ensure everything goes smoothly and we can continue to keep in touch successfully.

#### **Emails To Staff**

For urgent messages, absences, pick up arrangements and general enquiries please email the School Office on Office 1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk $^{16}$  or by calling 0208 393 0350.

If you need to talk to your child's teacher regarding homework or learning, please contact them through their email address These as well as other teachers' emails can be also found on our website <a href="https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/our-staff">https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/our-staff</a>. Click on the red envelope symbol on the staff page.

#### **Driving To School**

**Parking and Driving:** Thank you to those parents who drive and park carefully and to those that walk to school. Please do not park on double yellow lines and please park on one side of the road only. Respect the resident's driveways and use the **turning circle** at the bottom of Dorling drive to keep traffic flowing.

#### Follow us on Twitter

Please follow Wallace Fields Junior School on Twitter for the latest photographs and news.

http://twitter.com/statuses/1567573364964818945

#### **Latest School Calendar Dates**

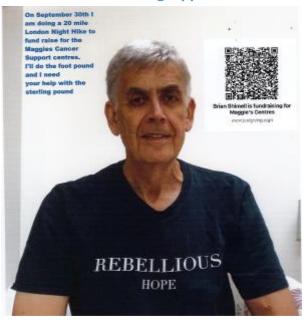
For the latest dates click here <sup>17</sup> for calendar on website.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup>https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/school-calendar

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **Teaching Support Mr Shimmel's Fundraising Appeal**



1 - Use the QR code to sponsor Mr Shimmel's Night Hike. He is fundraising for Maggie's Centre in memory of his wife Margaret.

#### **Ewell History Day at Bourne Hall Cancelled**

Because of the death of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and out of respect the planned Ewell History Day on September 17th at Bourne Hall has been cancelled.



#### The children at Wallace Fields Junior School need you! Twelve15 wants you!

Do you want to make a difference by helping to prepare and serve healthy, tasty & nutritious lunches for the children at this lovely junior school?

If you are enthusiastic, enjoy cooking and communicate well with children, then your friendly naturewill get every opportunity to shine here at this delightful school.

We have a vacancy for a Catering Assistant on 20 hrs per week, term time only. Please follow the link or scan the QR code to apply via the SCC website following the Catering Assistant Surrey wide advert, no experience necessary as full training will be given. Any questions please call Louise on 07772 136836



## Apply @

and search 'Catering' or scan QR code





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**WELCOME!** 

Monday 12th September 2022

> 4:45 -5:45 PM

Ages 4-11 Girls

Wallace Fields Junior School - KT17 3BH

### **CONTACT US**

EMAIL - ELLIEBYRNE@EKBSPORTS.CO.UK

WEBSITE - WWW.EKBSPORTS.CO.UK



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Ring Colin today. You'll never go anywhere else!