



Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

20th December 2024



KEY DATES

- **Monday 6th January 2025** - Term starts
 - **Wednesday 8th January 2025** - Year 3 Human Machine Workshop into school
 - **Thursday 9th January 2025** - Year 4 Forces Workshop into school
 - **Monday 13th January 2025** - Selected children Year 5 & 6 to assessment swimming lesson
 - **Monday 5th February 2025** - Happy Bags Collection
 - **Thursday February 13th 3.30pm** - FUNDRAISING adults v kids football match upper school
 - **Thursday February 27th 3.30pm** - FUNDRAISING adults v kids football match lower school
 - **17th to 21st February 2025** - Half term school closed
 - **Monday 24th February 2025** - INSET day school closed to children
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- **w/c 3rd March 2025** - Horton Arts Festival. Selected children's artwork on display

- **Thursday 6th March 2025** - World Book Day
- **Friday 7th March 2025** - Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby
- **Friday 11th March 2025** - Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby
- **Tuesday 18th March 2025** - 7 aside netball match
- **Wednesday 19th March and Thursday 20th March 2025** - Year 4 Ufton Court Residential Trip
- **w/c 24th March 2025** - Scholastic Book Fair
- **Monday 24th March 2025** - Parents Evening face to face
- **Tuesday 25th March 2025** - Parents Evening virtual
- **Thursday 27th March 2025** - Year 3 day trip to Butser Farm
- **Friday 28th March 2025** - Wellbeing Day
- **Friday 4th April 2025** - Break up for Easter Holidays at 1.30pm

[Click Here¹ for Upcoming Events](#)

[Click here² for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar](#)

HEAD'S UPDATE

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

A huge thank you from all the teachers and staff for all your kind gifts and your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you for coming along to the Christmas Concert - it was an absolute delight and the children's singing was wonderful. Thank you to the PTA for all their amazing fundraising this year. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a safe, healthy and happy Christmas. I look forward to seeing the children back on Monday 6th January 2025.

Congratulations to Mrs Baxter (TA) for 20 Years Service

Congratulations to Mrs Baxter, who in January will be marking 20 Years at Wallace Fields Junior School! I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for the remarkable contribution she has made over the past 20 years as a Teaching Assistant. Her dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment to the children she works with have made a lasting impact, and it is truly inspiring to see the care and passion she brings to her role every day.

¹<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/events>

²<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/calendar>

Her ability to connect with and support children, creating a positive and nurturing environment, has helped so many young learners grow and succeed. It is evident that her kindness, patience, and skilful approach have made a difference in their lives, and they are fortunate to have had Mrs Baxter as part of their educational journey.

As we reflect on her two decades of service, we know that her efforts have made a meaningful difference in the lives of so many people. On behalf of all of us, thank you for everything you have done and continue to do.

Mrs Baxter's two boys were pupils at Wallace Fields Juniors and as they moved through and moved on and she stayed on as a regular member of the staff crew.

WFJS PTA
Friday 20th December 2024

WHAT A FUN BUSY START TO THE SCHOOL YEAR! BINGO, HALLOWEEN DISCO, FIREWORKS, UNIFORM SALES, FUN DAYS AND HAMPERS!

THIS TERM WE HAVE RAISED: £7,119.19

2024 / 2025 PTA Goals:

- To fund the refurbishment of the SEN / Wellbeing Room
- Buy 65 New Chromebooks for a whole year group to use

THE PTA WOULD LIKE TO SAY A HUGE THANK YOU AND WISH YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

PTA AGM
[Click here to read the minutes of the PTA AGM - 10th December](#)

GET IN TOUCH: Got an idea or want to get involved? Drop us a line
✉ wfjspta@gmail.com facebook.com/groups/wfjspta

THIS WEEK

Beautiful Singing at the Carol Concert

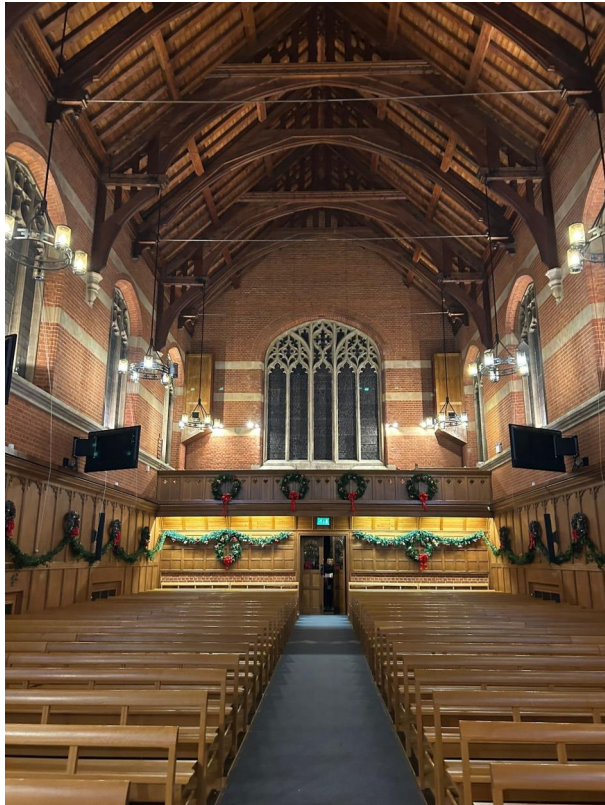
The Wallace Fields Junior School Christmas Carol Concert on Monday was a huge success despite the large absence from a tummy bug in the upper school. Held in the very beautiful Epsom College Chapel, the children made every effort to make up for their absent colleagues. The harmonies were incredible and well done to everyone. Also, well done to those staff who were involved with their boom whackers. The songs sounded particularly lovely this year with beautiful harmonies and my thanks to all the staff especially Mrs Johnstone for ensuring it all came together. Thanks also to the volunteers for their efforts during this term and a special thanks to those who have been in school helping out and to those volunteers who helped walk the children down to the chapel for rehearsals and back again.

"The choice of songs were varied and the harmonies so effective. It was great to see a balance of traditional carols and songs I wasn't familiar with. Thanks once again for the concert and your inspiring teaching" was one comment sent by a parent to Mrs Johnstone.

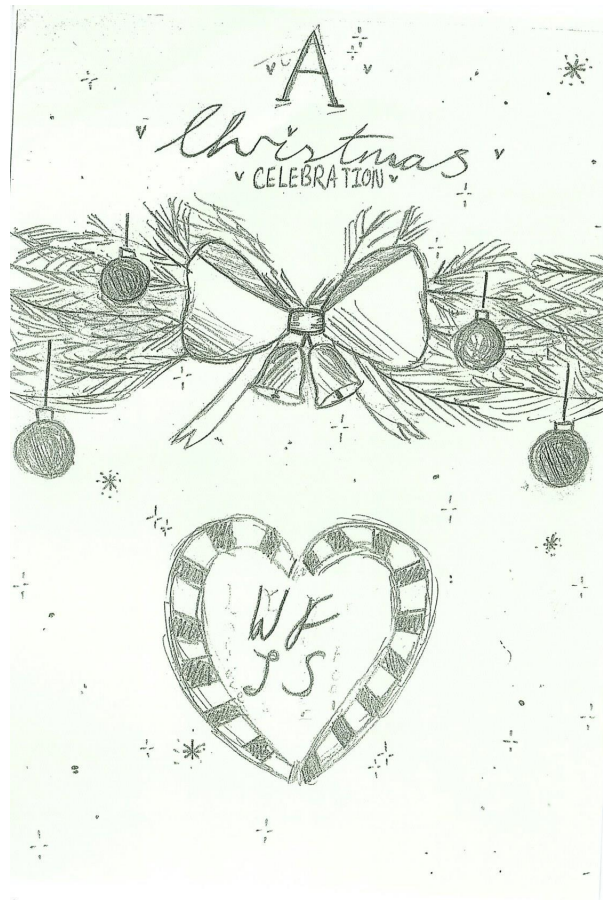
Thank you for the charity donations for Save the Children we raised £212.46. Many do not have cash for collections any more so if you would like to still donate to the school's chosen charity please click here³.



³<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/donate-here-1>

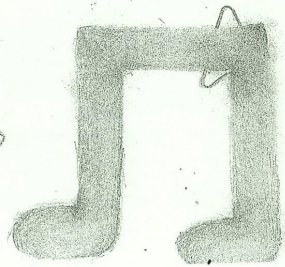
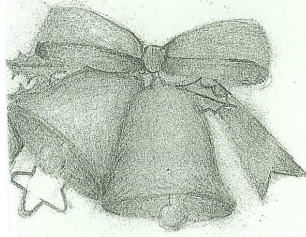


Well done to the children whose artwork was selected for the carol concert programmes:
Alicia S 3D, Barnaby R 3T, Atlas A 4C, Georgia H 4K, Emma B 5S, Sophia X 5H, Anna P
6G, Rosha Si 6G, and Ivy M 6H. See below a selection of the artwork.



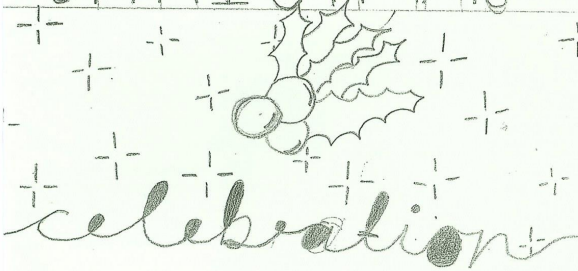
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Wallace Fields
Junior School



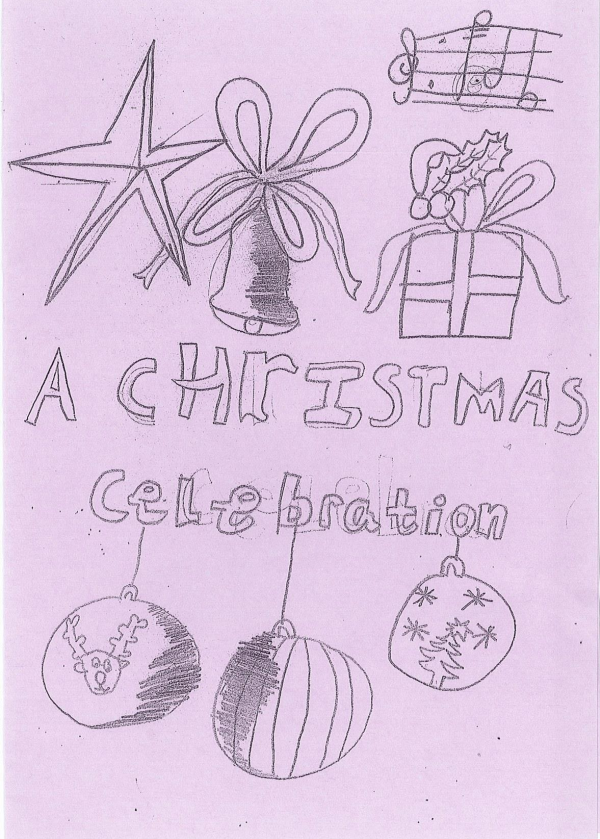
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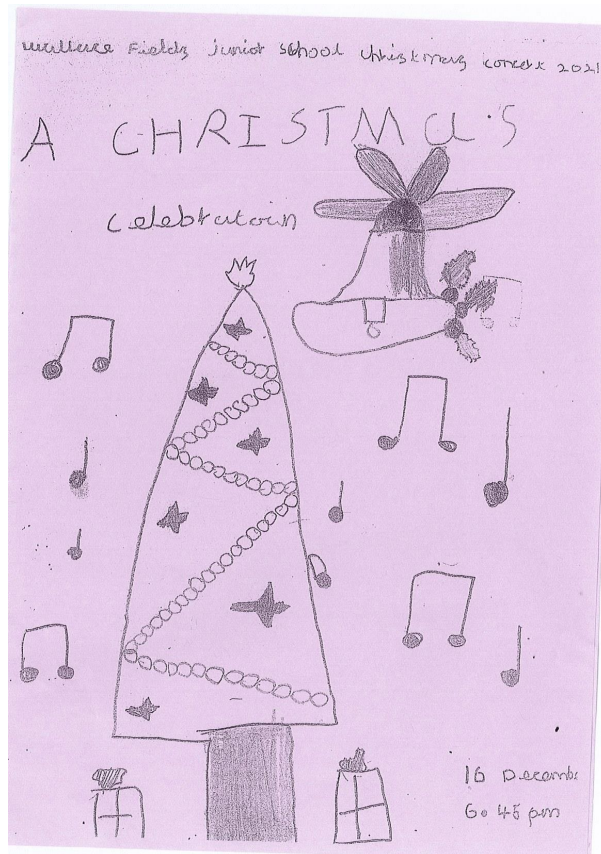
CHRISTMAS



celebration

With WALLACE FIELDS
JUNIOR SCHOOL





Christmas Carol Singing in the Park - Wednesday 18th December 2024

Thank you to all the parents who came along to support the school choir singing in Alexandra Park Recreation Ground by the Park View Café on Wednesday 18th December 2024. Thank you to Mrs Day and additional staff who stepped in to take the choir down to the park and lead them in singing as Mrs Johnstone was unwell. Thank you to all the parents who came to support the singers. We raised £117.40 for the new school nurture room at the event.



Christmas School Lunch - Thursday 19th December 2024

The children had a fabulous Christmas lunch in the hall on Thursday 19th December 2024. Thanks to Emma and the Twelve 15 caterers for the turkey dinner with all the trimmings. They were looking very festive in their Christmas jumpers, tinsel and headwear. Everyone had a Christmas cracker thanks to the PTA and even the packed lunches brought Christmas themed food









































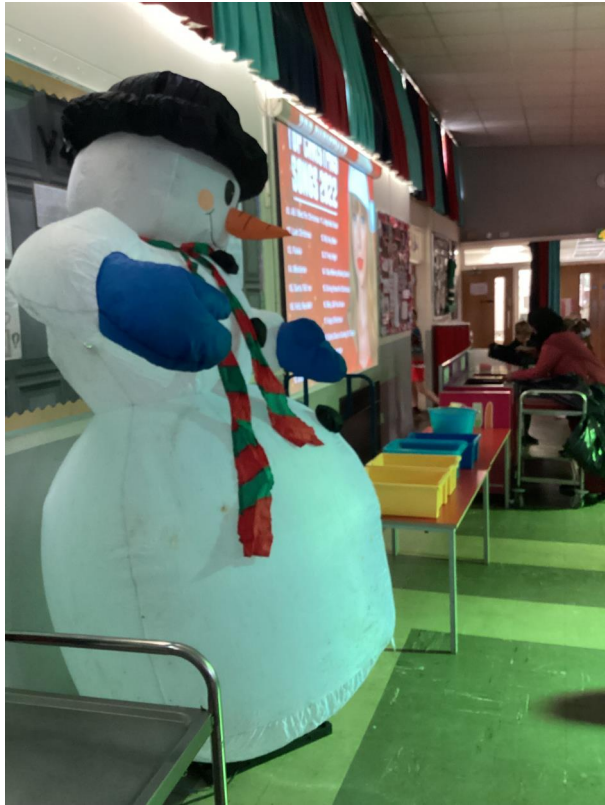














Celebration Assembly on Friday 20th December 2024

Celebration Assembly on Friday 20th December 2024 included all the end of term and month certificates; BELIEVE awards, maths, TTRS, French, attendance certificates and house point winners for the half term.

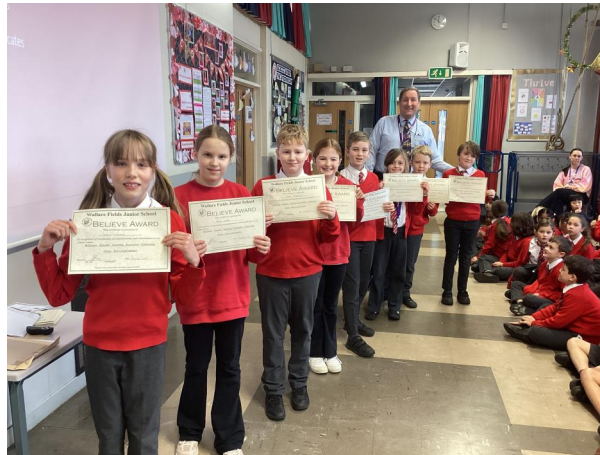
Stars of the Week



This week's Stars of the Week are above. Only one per class is nominated in our Celebration Assembly every Friday. They receive a certificate and five house points for showing one or

more of the school BELIEVE values -Brilliance, Enthusiasm, Learning, Inspiration, Equality, Vision and Every pupil matters. Well done to this week's winners.

Believe Awards



The Believe Award is presented to those children who show all of the school values including brilliance, enthusiasm, learning, inspiration, equality, vision and every pupil matters. This means that essentially these children are all round excellent individuals with a willingness to do their best, work with others, approach tasks with vigour and achieve real progress. This is not simply an academic award but more of one of improving and showing willing, teamwork and resilience. They are children who are kind to others and work well in a team whilst understanding that there is a reason for everything we learn and do in school. They are outstanding individuals who deserve this recognition. The Believe Award is only awarded once a month and is worth ten house points. Congratulations to this month's winners.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION and REMINDERS

Kids versus Adults Football After School Football Matches

- Thursday February 13th 3.30pm- FUNDRAISING adults v kids football match upper school (further details to follow in the Spring term)
- Thursday February 27th 3.30pm FUNDRAISING adults v kids football match lower school (further details to follow in the Spring term)

Look out for the sign up Google doc in the Spring Term.

Kind regards,

Mrs Day, Deputy Head

Uniform Reminder

Over the Christmas holidays please check your child's school uniform is all in order. The key uniform rules are as follows:-

- Winter uniform is grey shorts, grey trousers, grey knee-length skirt or grey pinafore with white shirt or blouse, red V-neck pullover with school logo or red cardigan with school logo and school tie.
- Black shoes (not fashion shoes, trainers or boots) should be worn with grey or white ankle socks, or grey, black or red tights.
- No red gingham dresses or polo shirts during the winter please.
- Remember coats for playtime and lunchtime and put names in all coats and jumpers.
- Boots are not permitted in school. The uniform is smart sensible black shoes, no fashion shoes. On cold days children can wear boots to school on cold days and then change into their usual school shoes during the day.
- Additional trainers for use at playtime (and to go on the activity trail).
- PE/Games kit can still be worn on PE/Games days though please ensure appropriate for the weather e.g. PE logo jumper if needed. Plain non branded joggers, black or grey for very cold days.
- Ensure all uniform has a name label.
- Hair needs to be tied up if shoulder length.
- Stud earrings only. No hoops or loops.

For the full uniform click here on link below

<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/uniform>

Library Book Donations Wanted - Are you having a Sort Out?

You may find that books are in some of those presents under the tree - so time to have a book clear-out of the books that have been enjoyed. This Christmas we are looking for good quality books for 7 to 11 year olds to be donated to the class book corners and library. If your child receives duplicate copies of books at Christmas then perhaps you could donate them to the school library? Please bring them in at the start of next term. Thank you

Headphones Needed Year 4 & 5 Music Lessons

Unfortunately Year 4 and 5 missed their Chromebook fun music lessons this week as Mrs Johnson was off this week so please can you bring your headphones in on their first lesson back in **January**. I do have sets in school but not quite enough for a full class, some have unfortunately broken over time. If your child has a pair of headphones/old iPhone earphones which have a 3.5mm jack (see photo below) and you are happy for them to bring them in on the day of their music lesson that would be really helpful. Music Lessons for Year 5 are on Tuesday and for Year 4 on Wednesday.



Year 5 and 6 Swimming

Following your completed Google form, a letter was sent out this week to **selected children** to invite them for a swimming assessment lesson on Monday 13th January 2025. If you **did not** receive a letter, your answers indicated that your child can swim 25m in a recognised stroke and **will not be required** to take part in this assessment. Numbers are very restricted and priority is given to non-swimmers or weak swimmers.

For those invited children only there will be an **assessment lesson** during the school day on **13th January 2025**. Please remember that your child will require a named swimming costume, swimming hat if hair below the collar and a towel.

Free School Meals children - as a reminder please note that the school will help fund places at swimming for those children who are on free school meals. Please contact the main office for details. If you are having financial difficulties and your child is selected as needing to do swimming then we have a very simple system for applying for financial assistance. Please call the office and they will give you details about how we can help.

YEAR 4

Year 4 Crewe Theatre Visit Forces Workshop Wednesday 8th January 2025

We are pleased to welcome back to school the Crewe Theatre Team of actors who through performances and workshops will reinforce the children's learning of **KS2 Science on Forces**. They are visiting on Wednesday **8th January 2025**, and they will demonstrate how gravity and friction need controlling and how ball balancing and tower building can create unbalanced forces! We believe this experience will be worthwhile to the children's learning, enjoyment and understanding of this topic.

In order to cover the cost of the visit this year we would appreciate a voluntary donation of **£5.00** from each child. Without your donation we would be unable to offer the children the opportunity of this valuable experience. To make your payment please visit Scopay our online payment portal.

YEAR 3

Year 3 Science Workshop "Human Machine"

We are delighted to welcome 'The Human Machine' on Thursday 9th January 2025 to deliver 'You and the Mean Machine Game Show' to year 3. This fast-paced workshop allows children to explore the world of growth and food, in line with National Curriculum guidelines.

Children will be using all their senses:

- To appreciate the importance of exercise and eating the right amounts of different types of nutrition.
- To be able to identify muscles and the ways in which they move.
- To learn about the different types of teeth and how they function for different purposes.

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SAFEGUARDING and WELLBEING

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators SAFETY ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Currently, children are growing up in an immediate and throwaway culture when it comes to content that's consumed online. So much material is now deliberately created to be shorter in nature - and may often contain hidden elements such as advertising, or extreme political and cultural views. With complex algorithms built to keep people on their phones and engaging with social media content, it's becoming increasingly difficult to reduce time spent on these platforms.

- 1 REDUCE DOOMSCROLLING**
It's concerningly common for young people to spend hours 'doomscrolling' - browsing through social media and endlessly viewing every post they see. Many of which might make them feel sad or anxious. Social media can be used for keeping in touch with friends and family, or watching things you're interested in. Instead of mindlessly scrolling through content, which could lead to young people accidentally discovering harmful material.
- 2 TALK ABOUT THE CONTENT**
It's important to keep abreast of the kind of content that a young person is being exposed to. Discussing what they're watching or reading in the first place. Turn off autoplay. Turn off autoplay on YouTube, Instagram, Facebook and other video sharing sites. Turn off autoplay on YouTube, Instagram, Facebook and other video sharing sites. Turn off autoplay on YouTube, Instagram, Facebook and other video sharing sites.
- 3 FIND POSITIVE ASPECTS**
Despite all the concerns, there's plenty of wholesome content on social media. It's worth spending time with children to look for and appreciate positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content.
- 4 REDUCE SCREEN TIME**
Young people can sometimes be unaware of the amount of time they spend looking at social media. Encourage them to track their screen time. Encourage them to track their screen time. Encourage them to track their screen time.
- 5 FILL THE VOID**
Monitoring and reducing screen time can create a lot of free time to fill, and young people can avoid being bored or restless when they're not on their phones. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content.
- 6 REDUCE NOTIFICATIONS**
One way in which social media platforms keep people coming back is through notifications. The algorithms behind these apps try to keep people's feeds interesting, but this means they're more likely to engage with the platform. This data is then used to deliver increasingly targeted advertisements to them. To avoid young users being exposed to this, simply turn off notifications for the app in their phone's settings.
- 7 LIVE IN THE REAL WORLD**
Overexposure to social media can distort someone's perception of the real world - how they should be, how they should look, how they should act. Encourage them to spend time with friends and family in the real world. Encourage them to spend time with friends and family in the real world. Encourage them to spend time with friends and family in the real world.
- 8 DIGITAL DETOX**
Encouraging young people to take a digital detox. Encourage them to take a digital detox. Encourage them to take a digital detox. Encourage them to take a digital detox. Encourage them to take a digital detox.
- 9 MODEL GOOD BEHAVIOUR**
Consider the habits that you're demonstrating to your children. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content.
- 10 BE CLEAR ON THE 'WHY'**
Research shows that young people can become addicted to social media. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content. Encourage them to find and share positive content.

Meet Our Expert
John Bailey is a senior leader in a Birmingham secondary school and has vast experience in leading schools over the past 15 years - including the development of computing curricula across primary and secondary schools, writing e-safety policies and supporting schools with computing and e-safety.

Wake Up Wednesday
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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators SAFETY OVER THE FESTIVE SEASON

The holiday season, marked by Christmas and New Year, brings joy and togetherness but also presents unique safety challenges for children, families and educators. From busy holiday shopping, traveling and family gatherings to managing digital activity during school breaks, staying safe during this period requires heightened awareness. This guide offers practical tips to help families and educators maintain a more secure and fulfilling festive period.

- ### 1 MONITOR DIGITAL ACTIVITY

Children spend more time online during school holidays, increasing exposure to potential dangers such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content and online predators. Balancing screen time, avoiding harmful websites and ensuring children engage positively online can be difficult without proper monitoring tools. Set clear boundaries, encourage open discussions about online safety and use parental controls to manage content exposure and screen time effectively. Regular check-ins and positive reinforcement around digital habits encourage safe online behaviour.
- ### 2 PRACTICE FIRE SAFETY PROTOCOLS

The incidence of house fires increases during Christmas due to greater use of candles, cookers and electrical decorations. Open flames, electrical overloads and the need for quick response plans can make fire safety challenging. Ensure smoke detectors are operational, keep fire extinguishers on hand and teach children how to respond in case of a fire emergency. Avoid leaving cooking unattended and use fire-safe candles to prevent mishaps.
- ### 3 CREATE TRAVEL SAFETY PLANS

More families tend to travel during the holidays, resulting in busier roads, increased traffic, accidents and weather-related hazards. Weather conditions, road rage, fatigue and busy airports can all compromise travel safety. Pack emergency kits and adhere to seatbelt laws. Plan routes in advance and allow extra travel time to avoid rushing and mitigate risks on busy roads.
- ### 4 BEWARE OF ALLERGIES

Holiday meals often involve many foods that may contain allergens. Cross contamination, unclear labelling and lack of allergy-friendly options can lead to severe reactions. Communicate any allergy needs to hosts, provide safe food alternatives and carry necessary medications like antihistamines or EpiPens. Teaching children how to advocate for themselves and recognise dangerous foods also contributes to safer celebrations.
- ### 5 PREVENT THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS

Cold weather and seasonal socialising can increase the spread of viruses like flu and COVID-19. Crowded gatherings, schools out of session and frequent travel can lead to higher infection risks. Emphasise hygiene, encourage vaccination, disinfect surfaces and isolate symptomatic individuals. Communication with children about proper hygiene practices is essential to reduce the spread of illness.
- ### 6 STAY VIGILANT ON THE ROAD

Increased holiday traffic heightens the risk of accidents for both drivers and pedestrians. Distracted driving, pedestrian safety and inclement weather can complicate road safety. Encourage pedestrian safety practices, avoid distracted driving and never drive under the influence.
- ### 7 MAINTAIN SAFE DECORATIONS

Festive decorations such as Christmas lights and candles can pose electrical, fire and choking hazards if mishandled. Frayed wires, topping Christmas trees, small ornaments and open flames can be difficult to control, especially in busy households with children. Inspect and maintain decorations, secure Christmas trees, place fragile or small items out of reach and ensure candles are never left unattended. Testing smoke alarms and using flame-retardant decorations can significantly reduce risks.
- ### 8 SET BOUNDARIES FOR GIFTS

Some toys and gadgets can present choking, sharp-edge or safety risks, particularly for young children. Ensuring that gifts meet safety standards and are age appropriate can be complex with so many options available. Inspect all toys carefully and ensure any tech devices have parental controls. Setting expectations around safe gift use and discouraging packaging that poses a risk also helps to prevent accidents.
- ### 9 ADDRESS STRESS & FATIGUE

Holiday pressures can lead to burnout, which affects both physical and mental health. Overpacked schedules and a lack of downtime can cause stress and fatigue, leading to accidents or poor decision making. Incorporate rest, maintain regular routines and seek support to reduce stress. Encourage activities that promote relaxation to create a healthier, happier holiday experience for everyone.
- ### 10 DRINK RESPONSIBLY

Alcohol is commonly present at holiday events, raising concerns about safety and supervision. Excessive alcohol consumption can lead to accidents, impaired judgment and lack of supervision for children. Designate responsible adults, limit consumption and provide transportation alternatives for guests. Teaching moderation and modelling responsible behaviour in front of children ensures that celebrations remain positive and secure.

Meet Our Expert
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Source: See full reference list on guide page at <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/safety-over-the-festive-season>

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CLUBS

When Do Clubs Start in Spring 2025

Please check club letters for when your club starts in January 2025 as many do not start in first week of new term. For more information about clubs and how to sign up please click [here⁵](#).

⁴<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/safeguarding>
⁵<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/clubs>

Wallace Fields Junior School Clubs Start Dates - January 2024

Club	Start Date	Club	Start Date
Arts and Crafts	13th January 2025	Gymnastics	15th January 2025
Book Club	TBC	After School Street Dance Club	14th January 2025
BSL club	TBC	Judo club Tuesday	14th January 2025
Choir	TBC	Judo club Wednesday	15th January 2025
Code Camp	15th January 2025	Lego club	8th January 2025
Code Camp	13th January 2025	Piano lessons	TBC
Cooking club	7th January 2025	Saxophone /Woodwind	TBC
Dodgeball	17th January 2025	Science club (Year 4)	14th January 2025
Football club girls Yr 3& 4 lunchtime	TBC	Science club (Year 6)	9th January 2025
Football squad	TBC	Spanish club	9th January 2025
Football Year 3 & 4	7th January 2025	Tag Rugby	14th January 2025
Football Year 5 & 6	8th January 2025	Theatre Arts (Thursday)	9th January 2025
French club	14th January 2025	Theatre Arts (Friday)	10th January 2025
Gardening lunchtime club	TBC		

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WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

Book Club Update - December 2024

This month in WFJS Book Club we discussed our November reads and talked about which book we'd most like to find in our Christmas stocking. We played a fun game where we had to guess the book title from a series of Emojis and took home our magnetic Christmas bookmarks to celebrate great reading this term.

If you'd like your child to continue or to join Book Club after Christmas please email steph.clarkson@btconnect.com⁶



- **An absolute classic with sparkling storytelling** *The Christmas Pig* by JK Rowling
- **Meet Imogen, Arthur and Einstein (try this or any in the series)** *Einstein the Penguin and the case of the Polar Poachers* by Iona Rangleley
- **When Lydia makes a Christmas wish she's launched into an adventure...** *The Christmas Wish-tastrophe* by Cariad Lloyd
- **Christmas has been taken over by internet giant Winterzone!** *Virtually Christmas* by David Baddiel
- **What if it were Christmas every day?** *Sprouts* by Sibeal Pounder
- **Meet Albert Framlington, walking, talking snowman!** *The Snowman Code* by Simon Stephenson
- **You've read The Christmassaurus – now try the next in the series...** *The Christmassaurus & the Naughty List* by Tom Fletcher
- **It's Christmas Eve and all is not well... follow Amelia on her adventure** *The Girl Who Saved Christmas* by Matt Haig
- **More tween confessions from bestselling Lottie...** *The Completely Chaotic Christmas of Lottie Brooks* by Katie Kirby
- **Edna is trapped in a manor during a snowstorm – and there's been a grisly murder!** *Murder by Narwhal* by Alex T. Smith
- **Bestselling, beautifully illustrated adventure in the Snow Sea** *Frostheart* by Jamie Littler
- **Adventure to the Icelands with Stella Pearl, orphan and explorer...** *The Polar Bear Explorers' Club* by Alex Bell

⁶<mailto:steph.clarkson@btconnect.com>

- **Ruby finds a cabinet partially hidden by falling snow containing a body...** *Murder at Snowfall* by Fleur Hitchcock

NSSport Launches New Holiday Club - February 2025



BOOKINGS OPEN

NSSport Holiday Activities Wallace Fields

17-21 February 08:00-18:00

Open to families at all schools in Years 1-6

We are thrilled to announce an exciting addition to our community offerings: a brand new Holiday Camp at Wallace Fields Junior School! Beginning the February half term, we will be hosting our Holiday Activities programme tailored specifically for pupils in years 1-6. This initiative aims to provide a fun and engaging environment for children to explore, learn, and make new friends during their break from school.

Whether your child is looking to try something new, develop their skills, or simply have fun, our Holiday Camp at Wallace Fields Junior School is the perfect opportunity! Don't miss out on this chance to enrich your child's holiday experience! Be sure to make your booking before 31 January 2025 to receive our Early Bird offer.

[Make a Booking](#)



[View Holiday Activities Flyer](#)

NSSport Holiday Activities is the perfect place to have fun

We provide active, affordable and exciting activities for primary school aged children during the holidays for Years 1-6. We aim to inspire children with a passion for health and fitness through innovative activities and unique approaches. Led by a dedicated, enthusiastic and highly qualified team we ensure your child is safe and experiences the best time. Our knowledge allows us to care for your child in a fun, age appropriate and friendly environment whilst maintaining their physical, social, and emotional development.

Price & Play Options

We are pleased to inform you that we are running our Holiday Activities club at Wallace Fields Junior over February half term and we are offering an early bird rate for customers until 31 January 2025. Our camps start at 08:00 and finish at 18:00 and we have a number of day options to suit your needs. We have a limited number of places on each of our programmes - NS Stars and NS Strikers - so please book early to avoid disappointment. If you book for a full week you will receive a 20% discount, in effect you receive a day for free!

Our holiday club at Wallace Fields will soon be Ofsted Registered so we accept HMRC tax free childcare payments. Simply check out using our childcare voucher option, select HMRC and enter the booking amount. Search for NSSport @ Wallace Fields Junior School or KT17 3BH on the HMRC portal to locate us. We also accept childcare vouchers from many providers. Please see our website for further details.

STANDARD PLAY	EXTENDED AM/PM	EXTENDED PLAY
EARLY BIRD PRICE	EARLY BIRD PRICE	EARLY BIRD PRICE
£20	£25	£28
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Here's what we have to offer

WEEK 1 (17-21 FEBRUARY)

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How do I make a booking?

All bookings via our website at nssport.co.uk

If you haven't booked with us before you will need to register for an NSSport account. Registration is a one off process just so we have all the relevant information about your child as well as your contact details. Registration can be done via our website nssport.co.uk. Select the **VENUE** followed by the **REGISTER** button from the website header.

Once you have registered you will have access to our **BOOKINGS** area. Select the activities which you wish to book and add to your **BASKET**, then proceed to **CHECKOUT** to make payment. We accept childcare vouchers (a list can be found on our website under the FAQ section), debit and credit cards. Please ensure you select the correct **CARD TYPE** when entering your details and confirm your **NAME** and **ADDRESS** are filled in correctly as displayed on your card. Failure to do so may result in an unsuccessful booking. A booking confirmation email will be issued when payment has been made to confirm your child's place.

All bookings must be placed on our website and are allocated on a first come first serve basis. We are unable to reserve any places. Please make yourself familiar with our terms and conditions regarding all our policies prior to booking. We ask that when your child(ren) attends a NSSport Holiday Activities camp they are in good health. We welcome guests to all our centres and look forward to having a fun time with your child(ren) over the holiday period.

Have a question?

Should you require any further information or have some questions regarding our service, please do get in touch by email and we will be happy to assist.

[Email Us](#)

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Stay up to date with current activities and future events by following us on your favourite social media channels.



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ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done Isabella for Writing and Singing Achievements

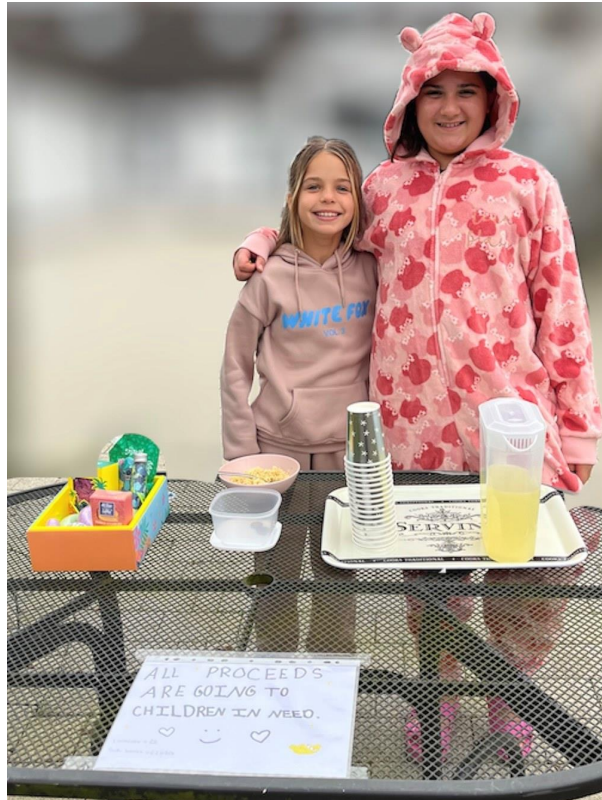
Isabella A from 3T has also made it through to the second round of the BBC 500 words competition. Her short story is loads of fun and called "The Kind Dragon and the Evil Princess, An Upside Down Fairy Tale."

Isabella was also awarded her certificate for her Grade 1 Musical Theatre Exam taken with University of West London, London College of Music Examinations this year. She performed two songs "My Favourite Things" from The Sound of Music and "Do You Want to Build a Snowman?" from Frozen. She sang and performed beautifully and the examiner awarded her with a distinction grade of 96%! Isabella achieved the highest mark out of her singing schools grade 1 cohort and was the youngest taking part this year. She had worked so hard to prepare for the exam and when she came out of the exam she said "That was the best experience of my life!".



Well Done to Fundraisers

A huge well done to some fundraising that Tiffany S and Felicity V did for Children in Need. About 2 weeks ago they made some lemonade at home and set up a little stall on our road to sell to passers by (supervised of course). They really enjoyed making the lemonade and interacting with their customers. Thanks to some very generous neighbours, the girls made £34 on the day which Felicity's grandma kindly matched, making a grand total of £68 donated to Children in Need. The girls should be very proud of their efforts.



COMMUNITY



Epsom and Ewell in WW2 find out what it was really like !

Saturday January 11 2025 1pm to 2.30pm

The Borough suffered heavily from bombing in World War 2 and from 1940 to 1944, 890 alerts were sounded, 384 people were injured by enemy action and 33 killed. There were more than 200 incidents with 12,234 houses slightly damaged, 413 devastated and 192 completely destroyed, while thousands of incendiary and anti-personnel bombs were dropped with 440 high explosive, 64 oil and 30 flying bombs falling on the Borough.



£6 per child. Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey KT17 1UF Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

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Applying for a Junior School Place for September 2025

Do you have child starting school in September 2025

You can apply for a primary, infant or junior school place from 4th November 2024 if your child:

- was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, or
- is leaving Year 2 of an infant school in July 2025

The closing date for applications is 15th January 2025. Click here⁷ for more information.

If you are a parent or carer living in Surrey, and your child has an existing Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and is due to start a new primary, infant or junior school in September 2025, you will need to follow a separate process by clicking her⁸e.

⁷<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-junior-and-infant/apply>

⁸<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/child-with-an-ehcp>