Wallace Fields Junior School Bulletin

5th May 2023

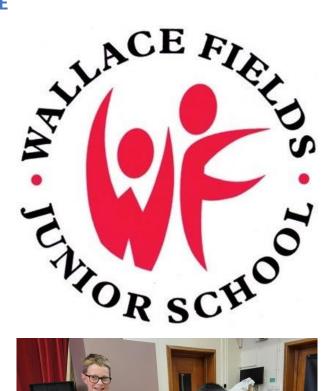


KEY DATES

- Monday 8th May 2023 Coronation Day Bank Holiday /School Closed
- w/c 9th to 12th May 2023 Year 6 SATS Week
- Tuesday 9th May 2023 School opens as normal
- Wednesday 10th May 2023
 - All Year 4 children going to Hooke Court who take any medication (including travel sickness tablets or inhalers) must attend this meeting at 8.45am
 - Second-hand uniform sale will take place at pick up at 3.15-3.45pm on turning circle (weather permitting)

For the latest dates click here¹ for calendar on website.

HEAD'S UPDATE





¹https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/school-calendar

Chess Champions: Congratulations to Noah Y and George R who did extremely well at the UKCC Surrey Mega-final 2023 Under 11 Surrey Chess tournament in Leatherhead last week. They played 6 intense games over the whole day, Noah achieved 2nd silver medal, George achieved 9th which means they both qualified to play at the next stage called the Giga-final, a Southern England tournament, in July 2023. They showed resilience and had a positive attitude under huge pressures during very tough and competitive games. They make us extremely proud here at school and they fought under the banner of Wallace Fields Junior School ensuring we shine out among all others as a highly renowned school in chess competition!

Coronation Celebrations: A fabulous Kings and Queens Day held today and the children have been learning lots about this significant historical event. A picnic lunch for the children went well although due to rain we were kept off the lower field - we hope for more picnic lunches in the summer term. The children enjoyed dressing up and wearing their crowns, tiaras and costumes.

Former Pupil Claudia Macdonald in England Victory: Claudia did us all proud at the Six nations Women's rugby last Saturday. Congratulations to Claudia and her team for their impressive 38 - 33 win over France at Twickenham. Details below.

IMPORTANT



Please Avoid Expensive Water Bottles for School

All children must bring a water bottle into school as the weather warms up this will be even more essential. All water bottles will go on the lunch trolley and the school takes no responsibility for their loss or damage. Please ensure water bottles are named. There have been some water bottles

with taste filters (such as Air Up) these are expensive not ideal for school use. No flavoured water, iced water or fizzy drinks are permitted. Plain water only please.

Spare Trainers for Lunchtimes

The field is now open for children to play on most lunchtimes, depending on the weather. To avoid children bringing mud inside all children wanting to play on the field must change into a spare pair of trainers. So please remind your child to bring in a spare pair if they want to go on the field or the activity trail. Thank you.

Coffee Afternoon for New Parents and Parents New to English (N2E) Postponed to 18th May 2023

The Coffee afternoon for New Parents and Parents New to English (N2E) has been postponed to 18th May 2023 at 2.30pm. We know that moving schools or countries can have many challenges and it was is great opportunity to get parents and carers together, so we can talk about issues and create a network of friends and support.

Penalty Notices For Unauthorised Leave

When parents/carers are starting to think about their summer holidays I thought it was important to remind you or our attendance policy. **We do not authorise term time holiday** in line with an agreement with the local cluster of primary schools.

The Education Welfare Service, acting on behalf of Surrey County Council may issue a Penalty Notice as an alternative to the prosecution of a Parent / Carer for their child's unauthorised absence from school and requires the recipient to pay a fixed amount. If a child is taken out of school for more than 5 days / 10 sessions, unauthorised leave, (this need not be consecutive) without the authorisation of the school, the amount payable on issue of a Penalty Notice is £60 per parent per child. This rises to £120 if paid after the 21 days period, but within 28 days. If not paid, legal action will be taken against the recipient for the period shown on the penalty notice, the local authority, Surrey County Council must prosecute the Parent / Carer for failing to ensure regular school attendance under Section 444 Education Act 1996. Please read the Attendance Policy to ensure you understand the criteria for unauthorised absence and its implications. Click here² for our attendance policy.

THIS WEEK

Coronation Celebrations - Friday 5th May 2023

Wallace Fields Juniors celebrated the King's Coronation on Friday 5th May 2023. To mark this historic event lots of children dressed-up as Kings or Queens from throughout history and from many regions of the world. Below are a few photos but please click here³ to see our a full photo gallery.

Twelve 15 provided a picnic lunch in a personalised box. Mr Lee presented the following children with prizes for the best decorated lunchbox: Avery 3D, Dylan 4J, Lucy B 5S and Aurelia 6C.

²https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/attendance

 $^{{}^3\}underline{https://wallace fields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/news/2023-05-05-coronation-celebrations-at-wallace-fields-junior-school}$























Year 4 Music Assembly Tuesday 2nd May 2023

On Tuesday 2nd May we heard some fabulous Year 4 performances at the Year 4 Music Assembly. We were incredibly impressed with the confidence everyone showed and enjoyed a wide variety of musical styles from Bach to rap! Well done to all the Year 4 musicians





Coronation Crown Display for A-Plan Insurance

Well done to all the children who decorated crowns for A - Plan Insurance to celebrate the King's Coronation. A-Plan Insurance on Upper High Street in Epsom will be displaying the crowns in their shop window.

PTA Race Night - tonight!

Tonight the PTA are holding another popular Race Night tonight jointly with Wallace Fields Infant School. We are sure everyone will have lots of fun and raise lots of money for the two schools. Details are in the previous week's bulletins.

Football Match Report - 28th April 2023

Wallace Fields Junior School hosted two football fixtures with Cuddington Croft on Friday 28th April 2023.

Our B team put on a solid performance, their final game of the school year. We saw Wallace Fields Junior School victorious with another convincing win!

Alongside the B team, WFJS held a fixture that gave more players a chance to play for the school. A really exciting game took place and some new talent shone through. We are looking forward to watching these players represent WFJS next school year. After a very even match Cuddington

sneaked ahead and survived a bombardment of shots from WFJS. Final result: Cuddington - 2 and WFJS - 1.

http://twitter.com/statuses/1654154919534903296

Former pupil, Claudia Macdonald helps take England to Victory at Twickenham.



Former Pupil Claudia Macdonald in Rugby Victory: Claudia did extremely well in the Six Nations Women's rugby at Twickenham on Saturday and The Red Roses emerged victorious for the fifth year running. The Brooks family (of Wallace Fields Juniors) were there and managed to get a photograph with Claudia after the match. Finn (Year 6) and his older brother Jonas (former Wallace Fields Juniors pupil) were able to convey their congratulations in person after the game. Well done to Claudia and her team for their impressive 38 - 33 win over France at Twickenham. Thanks to Mr Brooks for the photo.

PTA

Meet the Team



Celebration Summer Fair - Friday 23rd June 2023 3.30pm -6.30pm

The date is booked and the children are rehearsing their end of year performance for us to enjoy before the fair kicks off! Fun at the fair will include all the favourites as well as the bar and BBQ. Plus, a brilliant array of mega inflatables and games and this year to make it easier we are selling wristbands that allow unlimited access to the inflatables and classic fair games.

Wristbands are available to purchase now on PTA events. https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta/ And of course, we cannot run these events without you lovely lot. The volunteer slots are live too so please sign up for what you can.



YEAR 6

Year 6 National Tests (SATS) - Reminders and Amended Timetable

The National Tests (SATS) will start next Tuesday 9th May 2023. The children are well prepared and have been working hard for the last 4 years to get themselves ready. We are very proud of the children and their efforts in the recent weeks. All Year 6 parents/carers have been emailed with details, key points are as follows:-

- Bring a fully equipped pencil case including 2 pencils, 2 pens, pencil sharpener, ruler and a rubber.
- Make sure your child arrives on time. If you have a problem, or your child is unwell, please call (rather than email) the office after 8.40am. SATS are a Government requirement and all children are expected to take the tests
- A normal level of anxiety is common. Please reassure them. Ensure your children have lots of sleep and general rest and that they do not work too hard or 'cram' revision in.
- If they have forgotten bits or lack confidence in an area they can use look at BBC Bitesize, which has some useful videos and tips. Grammarsaurus videos are also useful for refreshing grammar.

Below is a slightly amended timetable as SATS will start at 10.30am except on Thursday when there are two tests to fit in that day.

Year 6 NATIONAL TEST WEEK 2023

Revised timetable 5th May 2023

Year 6 Residential Trip French Trip

Passports and EHIC/GHIC

All children will be required to use their own passport for the French Trip. If you need to apply for a passport, please do so in plenty of time. Please note current UK passports must be at the time of travel: • Less than 10 years old • Valid for at least 3 months after the day we leave France. You will need to send in your child's passport to the school office by Tuesday 6th June 2023.

All children will require either a valid in-date European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) or a Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). If your child's EHIC is out of date then you should apply for a GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card). You may apply for a GHIC up to 6 months before your EHIC expires. Applying for a GHIC is **free of charge** on the NHS website⁴. Beware of unofficial websites that charge you a fee to apply. **Please ensure you apply for this in plenty of time.**

Final Instalment:

The 4th Instalment and final instalment of £115 is due by 6th June 2023

YEAR 5

Year 5 Science Masterclass - Wednesday 24th May 2023

Some Year 5 pupils have been selected to attend a Year 5 Science Masterclass, which is being held at Epsom College on the afternoon of Wednesday 24 May 2023. Parents/Carers were emailed further information on 27th April including a Google form to give permission for them to attend.

If you have selected to collect your child from Epsom College, please meet your child with Mrs Day outside the Chapel within the grounds of Epsom College.

https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/

Year 5 Dance Festival

Dance rehearsals started on Thursday 27th April 2023 at lunchtime with Lauren Johnson (Hip Hop dance club leader). It is important dancers attend every rehearsal.

Children may go in for early lunch ready for a start at 12.30pm in the school hall. If they are not in PE kit, please make sure they **have comfortable clothes to change into**.

The Dance Festival show itself will be on the evenings of **Tuesday 20th June and Wednesday 21st June 2023** at the Epsom Playhouse. There will also be an "all-day" rehearsal on **Monday 19th June 9.30am** to about 3.15pm.

I am sure that you'll want to come along and watch the show; tickets are now available to purchase from the theatre box office and online at www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk⁵ at £7.00 each. **They sell out very, very quickly so don't delay as many less-organised parents have been disappointed in the past.**

YEAR 4

Year 4 Residential Trip Hooke Court 15th - 17th May 2023

A letter was sent out on Tuesday 25th April 2023 with all the details for the Hooke Court trip Residential Trip 15th - 17th May 2023.

Important Reminder: If your child requires any medication or is required to take preventative medicine i.e. inhalers or travel sickness tablets on the trip, please attend a brief individual meeting on: Wednesday 10th May 2023 at 8.45am. This is your only opportunity to pass on medicine/care plans and full instructions, as this needs to be handed in person to the appointed first aider of the trip.

Last minute reminders:

- Monday 15th May 2023- children arrive at 7.30am wearing home clothes and trainers and with their packed lunch. We will be leaving for Hooke Court at 7.50am sharp.
- Wednesday 17th May 2023- arrive back at school at approximately 4.00pm. Please check twitter for any changes to this time on the day. Please do not phone the school office.

The Year 4 team are all looking forward to the trip and if you have any last minute questions, please email office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

MONTH	March	April	May	June
AREA	GARAGE GARAGE	CARAGE Grant can Annual GARAGE	STUDIO AND SOUNDCHECK	SOUNDCHECK SOUNDCHECK
TIME	15 minutes per week	15 minutes per week	10 minutes per week in Studio 5 minutes per week in Soundcheck	3 games per day

⁵http://www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk/

The children in Year 4 have been busy practising their times tables ahead of the multiplication check in June. Miss Sarjeant sent out a letter last term and a visual timetable, which can be seen below. We suggest that the children start practising in the 'Soundcheck' area for 5 minutes (1 game) to familiarise them with the setup for the check in June. This is the area we will be using in school and it gives the children 25 questions up to 12x12 - the same as the check. They have 6 seconds to answer each one. We are very proud of all the children and we are making this a fun experience where we can celebrate our times tables knowledge in June! Thank you for your continued support.

YEAR 3

Year 3 Music Performance - 13th June 2023

If your Year 3 child is a budding musician, please put the following date in your diary for the Year 3 Music Assembly - Tuesday 13th June 2023 (1.10pm-1.45pm). Nearer the time auditions will be held in school and then parents will be informed if their child has been selected to perform.

CLUBS

Mrs Kidwai's Karate Class on Sunday Mornings

NEW Karate Class starting in Epsom

at Wallace Fields Junior School, KT17 3BH, Sunday morning 10:30 to 11:30 from 30th April 2023!

We are extremely excited and happy to announce the launch of our brand new Karate class with Mrs. Kidwai. She is a trained GKR karate instructor and a friendly and familiar face to many children in the school.

For more information or to book your FREE trial class, contact Ali Doueib, Regional Manager, GKR Karate on 07707802702

Karate As A Form Of Self-Defence

As a self-defence system, karate does not so much teach a set of standard responses to a set of limitled scenarios, but rather it teaches a set of principles that can be applied to any situation. Unlike many martial arts, the size and strength of a karate practitioner is unimportant as students are taught to use their entire body when delivening strikes. Furthermore, students are trained to deliver sharp blows with various weapons of the body towards pressure-sensitive areas of an opponent. While karate teaches a person combat skills, karate does not promote aggression. Instead it promotes awareness to avoid conflict. Combat should only be used as a last resort.

Health Benefits Of Karate

As a health and fitness activity, karate tones and shapes the body, increases aerobic stamina, improves muscular strength and flexibility, enhances balance, agility and co-ordination and quickens the reflexes. Karate also improves our mental health. As it challenges the brain, it improves focus and concentration. It also develops a person's composure and provides a deeper insight into one's mental capabilities. One of the advantages of karate is that students may train at their own pace so even those who have not exercised in some time can start learning and gaining from the benefits of karate.

Karate As A Way of Life

Karate promotes a number of values to live by, including integrity, respect, courtesy, humility, loyally and compassion. Karate is an individual sport. Therefore the focus is not to compete against another person or team, but rather to compete against one's self. This 'self-focus' accompanied with continual improvement develops self-esteem and self-confidence amongst those who practice it. Karate also promotes self-discipline, goal settling and leadership. People who study karate can attain a high level of commitment and dedication to any chosen endeavour simply because of the skills and habits they develop.

GKR Karate offers classes for...









Some testimonials from our website...

I signed my children up in 2013 and watched them from the sidelines for 2 years. After many invites from the Sensei I finally joined in and wish I started sooner. Being able to train alongside my children is something so rare in sports these days and something I'm so grateful to be able to do!

- Craig Fenech, Liverpool NSW

We train in the same class as our 2 kids (aged 11 and 6). There's not many sports that you can do that with, let alone sports that provide such lifelong benefits and skills for the kids. Training together is something we really cherish and the instructors are fantastic with everyone even though we were total beginners when we started. Getting the kids away from their screens and into the dojo doing something productive, and together, is something ill always be greatful for.

Wrap Around Care Provided by Junior Adventures Group - JAG!(formerly Energy Kidz)

Junior Adventures Group Club (JAG) 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.







We are so excited to announce the launch of Junior Adventures Group UK to all of our families, schools & leisure partners, and children. We hope you've enjoyed seeing the first day in action.

To help you explore your new club further please see a selection of the key updates following your rebrand – where you can see all things new with your new Junior Adventures Group Club...



Our NEW Website is now LIVE!

We've developed a new and easier to use website delivering a first class digital experience for families. Whether it's help booking children's spaces, finding their nearest venue, checking availability, discovering our new activities and Whole of Child programme, or experiencing our new parent support portal - we're so excited for you to experience JAG online yourselves! Head over to www.lunioradventuresgroup.co.uk now!





Learn more about our Whole of Child Promise!

Our new multi-activity programming ensures every day is always different With activities spiral across seven exciting categories. Creative Inventors, clobal Kids, Super Sports, Power Teams, Zen Masters, Brain Boosters & Splash Zone. Whether they're, moving their feet, gardening, painting or on a scavenger hunt, JAC time is always children's favourite time.





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Spread the word... JAG is here! Explore your NEW JAG partner toolkit...

As our partners in delivering amazing experiences for your families, we hope you share our excitement as your out-of-school hours club turns purple!



As promised, we are delighted to equip you with an up-to-date toolkit full of resources to update your website, communications to inform your family database of the change to JAC and updates to deliver via socials, newsletters or your preferred method of communication. Click the links below and download the content that matches your school service:

Click here to access your JAG Toolkit

- E-Leaflets
 Posters
 Sample Timetables
 Social Media & Images
 Website Content
 Email out to parents
 Newsletter insert

Late Collection Policy Update

Following on from our December communications as Energy Kldz & Fit For Sport regarding late bookings - we can confirm that our new late collection policy has taken effect. This means we can now not accommodate late bookings that are attempted to be made less than 60 minutes before a parent/guardian's desired session starts. As a reminder, we have informed all families registered with us in recent weeks.

We pride ourselves on being flexible for families, with adhoc bookings a popular feature for our families - however, to maintain high-quality care ensuring every child is safely welcomed to our clubs each day, our new late booking policy below will be effective immediately. We appreciate your support in this decision – please see the exact update below.



Please see the updates below:

All families can make a booking via their online account up to 60 minutes before the session – this applies to our Breakfast & After School Clubs. We recommend



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families book in advance and offer a range of flexible payment methods to support them on their booking journey.

Any families looking to drop their children at sessions not booked before the above trimings will, unfortunately, not be on our register and, therefore unable to attend due to safeguarding requirements.*

We want to thank you in advance for your support with this process – enabling us to maintain the safety of all children in our care.



** We will, of course do our utmost to accommodate children in the event of an emergency, where the child is already registered with us and where we have the relev space (ratio, team members and capacity). We respectfully request that the school contact friendly customer care teams on 0333 577 1533 if this is the case.

Expand your School Offering with JAG!

Our passion for making a difference in your loca school community means we always explore different avenues to maximise our school partnerships. Discover our range of additional bespoke services via our new 'for schools' page: https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/for-schools/

If you are interested in upgrading your school offering, please don't hesitate to reach out to your Regional Director or contact us at bd@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk.



Contact details!

We've updated our contact details! Our customer experience team are now available via:
Email: hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk Phone: 0.333 577 1533

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your regional support team or reach out to our friendly team above.

Kind Regards,





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ONLINE SAFETY



WELLBEING







Supporting your child with the transition from Primary to Secondary school

Join YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team for these informative and supportive online workshops about the transition from Primary to Secondary school and how you can support your child. There will be an opportunity for discussion and questions. These workshops are suitable for parents and carers with children in school Years 5-7.

- Wednesday 24 May 2023 | 18:30 19:30
- ▶ Wednesday 21 June 2023 | 18:30 19:30
- Wednesday 19 July 2023 | 18:30 19:30

Register your place at:

www.ymcaeastsurrey.org.uk/parent-workshops/



Here for young people Here for communities Here for you



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?

Wednesday 17th May Summer 2023 9:45-11:45



Where

Epsom Family Centre, Pound Lane, KT19 8SD

No parking onsite

To book your place, call Epsom Family Centre on 01372 749 834





General Reminders and News

Contacting Wallace Fields Junior School

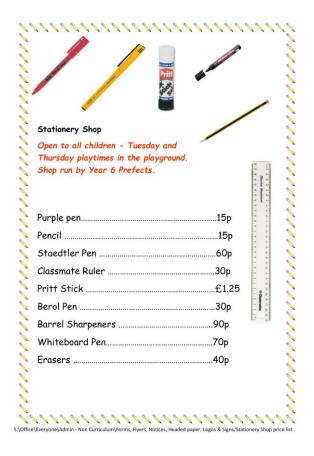
In line with most other schools, all emails from parents and carers are via our very helpful school office team at Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁶. Emails for staff will be forwarded on for you. If you accidentally use an old email you will receive an automatic message reminding you to contact the School Office at Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁷.. Please include in the subject matter the child's name and class.

For urgent messages, absences or pick up arrangements please call 020 8393 0350.

Stationery Reminder

it is detrimental to your child's learning if they do not have the right stationery in class and impacts on everyone, as it disturbs others! Please ask your child to check if they need any stationery. Class teachers may send your child home with a slip indicating which stationery they need. Parents may provide their child with a little cash so that they can buy replacement stationery as necessary. Children may purchase replacement whiteboard pens, glue sticks, pens and pencils at our stationery shop run by Year 6 prefects on Tuesday and Thursday break times (at the 4J window).

⁶mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk ⁷mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk



Sports Kit Amnesty

Most sports kit has now been returned to school. If you still have any items please return as soon as possible to the School Office.

mapac \(\bigcirc \) Your Official School Uniform Supplier

We are delighted to be working with your school who have entrusted us with providing your children's school uniform.

1. HOW TO REGISTER & ORDER

- CLICK THE UNIFORM LINK FROM YOUR SCHOOLS WEBSITE...or... Visit <u>www.mapac.com/education/parents</u> or search online for <mark>'Mapac find your</mark>
- school*.

 Use the L'OGIN/REGISTER' tab at the top of the page and fill in your details (even if you don't need to order straight away, it means you'll start receiving Mepac updates and offers!) Once on your dedicated school page, simply add everything you need to your basket, register (if you haven't already) and then check out.

2. ORDERING GUIDE

Under normal circumstances we aim for all orders to be sent out within 10-15 working days. During our busier periods (especially over the summer) or if anything unexpected occurs, it can take longer, so please allow us some extra time to get your order to you.

Delivery to your home / work all year round!

IMPORTANT SUMMER ORDERING — INFORMATION

To receive your order before the start of term please order by 31st July.

We do everything we can to send out all items as soon as possible but a high volume of orders or unforeseen circumstances may occasionally lead to delays.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to call or email us. We are happy to help!

T: 01923 255525 | E: parentcustomerservices@mapac.net

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sourne Hall Museum Kids Club bringing history alive

"Join us in the year 883 for a Viking journey to England, brave the icy waves of the North Sea, learn about the skills, clothing and weapons needed to survive in Viking England and travel as part of a brave adventuring crew, led by a powerful Viking chieftain , to the heart of the Danelaw."



£5 per child

Saturday 13 May 1pm to 2.30pm

Bourne Hall Spring Street Ewell KT17 1UF 0208 394 1734

dbrooks@epsom-Ewell.gov.uk









