

Wallace Fields Junior School Weekly Bulletin

7th October 2022



KEY DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

- **Monday 10th October** - Bikeability starts for 6C
- **Tuesday 11th October** - Human Machine visit to Year 3
- **Wednesday 12th October**
 - Year 4 Tea Party - Parents welcome 2-3pm
 - No Netball squad training today
 - District Cross Country at Sutton Grammar - Selected children 3.30pm-4.45pm
- **Thursday 13th October** - Year 3 Tea Party - Parents welcome 2pm - 3pm
- **Friday 14th October** - School 'Save Our Planet' Art Competition deadline

HEAD'S UPDATE



Keeping Our Children Safe and Happy in School: This is a huge and perpetual focus for the whole school. Some parents who are unable to make it into school may not know that there are a whole raft of support systems in place in school and I ask that you reinforce and support these at home. Children can post their card in the Mood Box, book to see a peer mentor or talk to an adult in class or on duty if they feel sad or unhappy for whatever reason. Children with ongoing emotional issues are referred to our emotional literacy team (ELSA) and spend time in the Well Being Suite. We have special visits arranged to Rufus our Therapy dog and the therapy guinea pigs is special treat for anxious and upset children. Please encourage your child to get support rather than ask parents to write long emails in. Thank you to all those parents who let us know of the significant aspects of home life that might impinge on their attitude and wellbeing at school. By using these systems we can work together to ensure everyone is happy and safe.

Excellent Attendance : I wanted to thank all parents and carers for your amazing effort regarding attendance. I had a visit from Surrey who judged the school attendance as exemplary and this is all down to your efforts and making sure appointments and visits are kept to outside of the school day. You know that missing school has a huge effect on your child's progress and falling behind is something we are all keen to avoid. Remember that I will authorise a half day for school entrance exams and children going to other appointments are expected to attend school and return to school either side of that appointment where possible. However I cannot authorise term time holiday and fixed penalty notices (FPNs) will be ordered for those children who have 5 or more unauthorised days.

THIS WEEK

MoneySense Workshop

Year 3 learning about money with visitors from NatWest on Monday 3rd October. Thank you so much for the excellent workshop and helping us learn how to use money. Year 3 had a very exciting MoneySense workshop on Monday with two special volunteers from NatWest. We spoke about how we can use money and the difference between our needs and our wants. The children completed

several activities during the workshop and have a token pencil for their participation! We were so impressed with the children's enthusiasm and engagement throughout the session. A very special thank you to Michael and Russell from NatWest for volunteering to support us with the workshop.





Choir to Epsom College Music Festival

On Tuesday 4th October thirty children who sing in the Wallace Fields Junior School choir took part in the Epsom College Music Festival. We were amazingly proud of their good behaviour and fantastic singing. Parents were invited to watch the concert and were very impressed. Please see below some photographs and videos from the event.

"The Year 4 & 5 choir were wonderful representatives of school on Tuesday when they attended the Epsom College Music Festival. They did me proud with their superb behaviour and participation. Accompanied by a live band, they performed an enjoyable jazz themed programme, with 'My favourite things' (jazz adaptation) being the song they enjoyed the most. Thank you to all the parents who came along to watch the concert at the end of the day, it was lovely to share our singing with you." Mrs Johnstone





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Inter-House Cross Country

Congratulations to all those who took part in the Inter-House Cross Country and thank you to all the parents/carers who came along to give their support and encouragement. For more photos please see our twitter account.

The top 4 boys and girls have been selected to attend the District Cross Country Tournament at Sutton Grammar Sports Ground on the 12th October. from 3.30pm to 4.45pm. Parents will need to collect their participating children up early and arrange their own transport to and from the event.

Huge congratulations to the following children in Year 5 & 6: Sophie S, Neve O, Emily K, Sylvie, Suria, Esther, Edie, Olivia D, Ben O, Kasper, Harry S, Jacob R, Jaik, Joseph, Zander, and Sam R who have been selected to take part in the District Cross Country Tournament. Letters were handed out today

to all these children. Please return the slip confirming your child is able to attend by Monday 10th October to confirm their place.



Year 5 River Trip

On Thursday 6th October, Year 5 had an exciting visit to the Hogsmill River. We had a talk from David Brooks in the morning and learnt all about the history of Ewell Village. After lunch, we walked down to the Hogsmill to investigate the speed and direction of the river. We will be using this to help us in our geography topic on rivers in the next few lessons! The children had such a great time! Thank you very much to David Brooks and to all the parents who helped make this trip possible.





Positive Parenting Workshop

It was fantastic to see so many parents at the Positive Parenting Workshop on Tuesday. We were delighted to hear one parent leaving the workshop saying that what she had learnt would really change her life.

The next 'positive parenting' course will be called 'Towards Independence...' and will be **January 18th workshop 9.30am - 11.30am**; so please put that date in your diary. A Google form to sign up for the event will be circulated before Christmas.

It will focus on developing independence, cutting apron strings, setting boundaries, developing resilience and determination, encouraging children to use their initiative and not over relying on parental instruction or guidance.

IMPORTANT NEWS

PTA NEWS

It has been a busy yet fun few weeks for the PTA - finishing off the Fireworks planning, getting set for next weeks Tea Parties and the forward organisation of the Christmas Fair. We also booked and confirmed this year's pantomime, which we know the children will LOVE!

On top of all of that, we hosted our annual AGM meeting this week, and I am delighted to welcome Sarah Crowther to the PTA who joins us as Treasurer. Sarah is super experienced in the role, and brings with her a wealth of ideas and procedures that will strengthen and enrich our lovely school. We are so excited and lucky to have Sarah join us.

The AGM minutes will soon be published on the school website for your information.

Finally, as we move into the exciting festive term ahead, I would like to remind everyone that all of these wonderful events and surprises for the children cannot happen without your help. We are urgently seeking parents/grandparents to get involved and spare a little time to help. If you can do anything - please do get in touch with us. Because together we can!

See you all next week for a cuppa

Jade Dodd, Chair of the PTA

Please Ensure Pencil Cases Fully Stocked

We are encouraging the children to look after their own pencil cases and ensure they are fully stocked with what they need. Many of the children have already lost or used up stationery items particularly purple pens, glue sticks and whiteboard pens. Teaching staff will sometimes send children home with a stationery reminder slip so you are aware of what is needed. Please ask your child regularly if they need you to supply any stationery items.

You may choose to send in your child on a Tuesday or Thursday with some coins to purchase stationery from the school 'stationery shop', where Year 6 children sell stationery essential items at cost price from Year 4J classroom window at playtime. Please see attached the price list.



Stationery Shop
Open to all children - Tuesday and Thursday playtimes in the playground, Shop run by Year 6 Prefects.

Purple pen.....	15p
Pencil	15p
Staedtler Pen	60p
Classmate Ruler	30p
Pritt Stick	£1.25
Berol Pen	30p
Barrel Sharpeners	85p
Whiteboard Pen.....	70p
Erasers	35p

EVENTS

Sign up to Help on Firework Night - 6th November

Our super-popular Fireworks night will be on **Sunday 6th November 2022**.

The Fireworks are just around the corner, and we're nearly ready to realise the general tickets for sales, but there are still a small handful of volunteer slots to fill. So please jump on board if you can and not only **help out at this wonderful event but also receive your guaranteed ticket priority**. Please sign up for a volunteer slot to avoid disappointment: www.pta-events.co.uk/wfispta¹.

So don't be a fire cracker and miss out on the hottest tickets in town! Click on the link and sign up today!

¹<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfispta>

WALLACE FIELDS INFANTS AND NURSERY SCHOOL AND WALLACE
FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA'S PRESENT

FIREWORKS NIGHT



SUNDAY 6TH NOVEMBER FROM 4:30PM

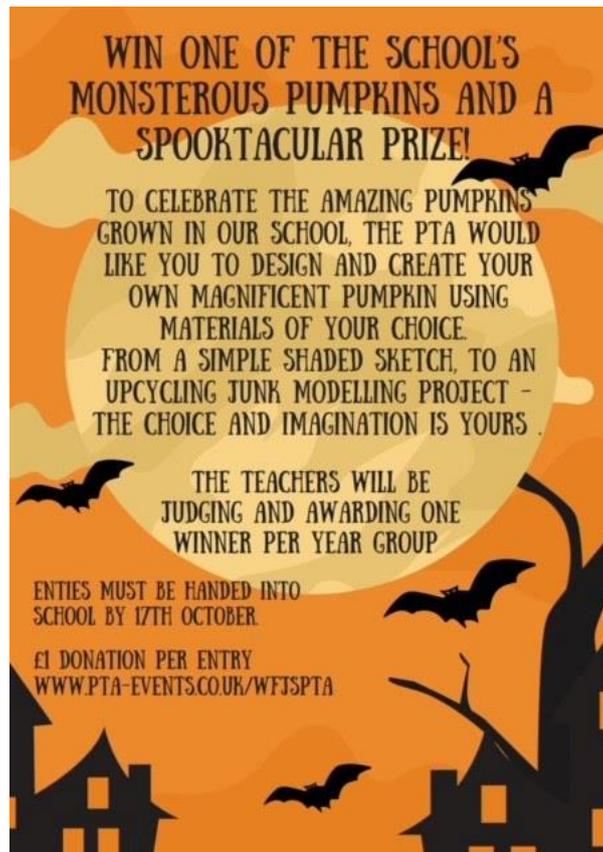
BBQ | ENCLOSED BAR | SWEET TREATS | GLOW

TICKETS: ADULTS £10 - KIDS 4-16YRS £6 - UNDER 4S FREE

DON'T BE A FIRECRACKER AND MISS OUT ON THE HOTTEST TICKETS IN TOWN! PRIORITY
TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR ALL FIREWORK VOLUNTEERS.

SIGN UP EARLY TO RECEIVE A BOOKING LINK TO BUY YOUR FAMILY TICKET
BEFORE THEY GO ON GENERAL SALE. VOLUNTEER SLOTS WILL BE RELEASED AT
2PM ON FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER VIA PTA EVENTS - WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/WFISPTA





School 'Save Our Planet' Art Competition

Don't forget the school art competition. Children can create a sketch on an A4 piece of paper on the theme of **Save Our Planet**. The deadline is **14th October 2022**. Please send in completed artwork to our art subject leader Miss Jacques, class teacher in 4J.

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 ² and complete the form if you would like to attend.

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 need to be on the back of the card:-Name-Year group-Age-Name of school

The deadline for entries is Tuesday 1st November 2022. Please may all entries be submitted to Miss Jacques.

²<https://forms.gle/VWx4gscuS3mhYg3d8>

Please bring in Harvest Festival Donation 19th October

This Harvest Festival we are collecting non-perishable foods to a charity UKHarvest. UKHarvest is a not-for-profit perishable food rescue operation and education charity, eliminating hunger and food waste. Click here³ 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 during the week starting Monday 17th October and finishing on Wednesday 19th October.** The year group with the most items will be awarded an extra playtime.



Still Spaces in After School Yoga Club

There are still spaces in our lovely after school yoga club. Contact the club leader about giving the club a trial; contact Lisa Butler, Surrey Heath Yoga on Tel: 07950226249 or email lisa@surreyheathyoga.co.uk⁴. It is every Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm in the school library at Wallace Fields Junior School.



³<https://www.ukharvest.org.uk/our-family/what-we-do>

⁴<mailto:lisa@surreyheathyoga.co.uk>

YEAR 3 REMINDERS



PAW - Prayers At Wallace Fields Juniors Visit Year 3

Year 3 have a busy week coming up with some exciting visits! Next week, we are lucky to be visited by Mrs Wright from PAW (Prayers at Wallace Fields) They will be talking to us about Christianity and giving us an introduction to the beliefs of those who follow Christianity.

Year 3 Book Reviews

Please encourage your child to read a variety of books. If you are looking for inspiration please see our Year 3 Padlet.

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 here⁵ for the Year 3 page.



The Human Machine

We are delighted to welcome 'The Human Machine' on **Tuesday 11th October 2022** 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. 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, and to learn about the different types of teeth and how they function for different purposes.

⁵<https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/pxqgmtmp90qf3fos>

Year 4 Reminders



Year 4 Book Reviews

Please encourage your child to read a variety of books. If you are looking for inspiration please see our Year 4 Padlet.

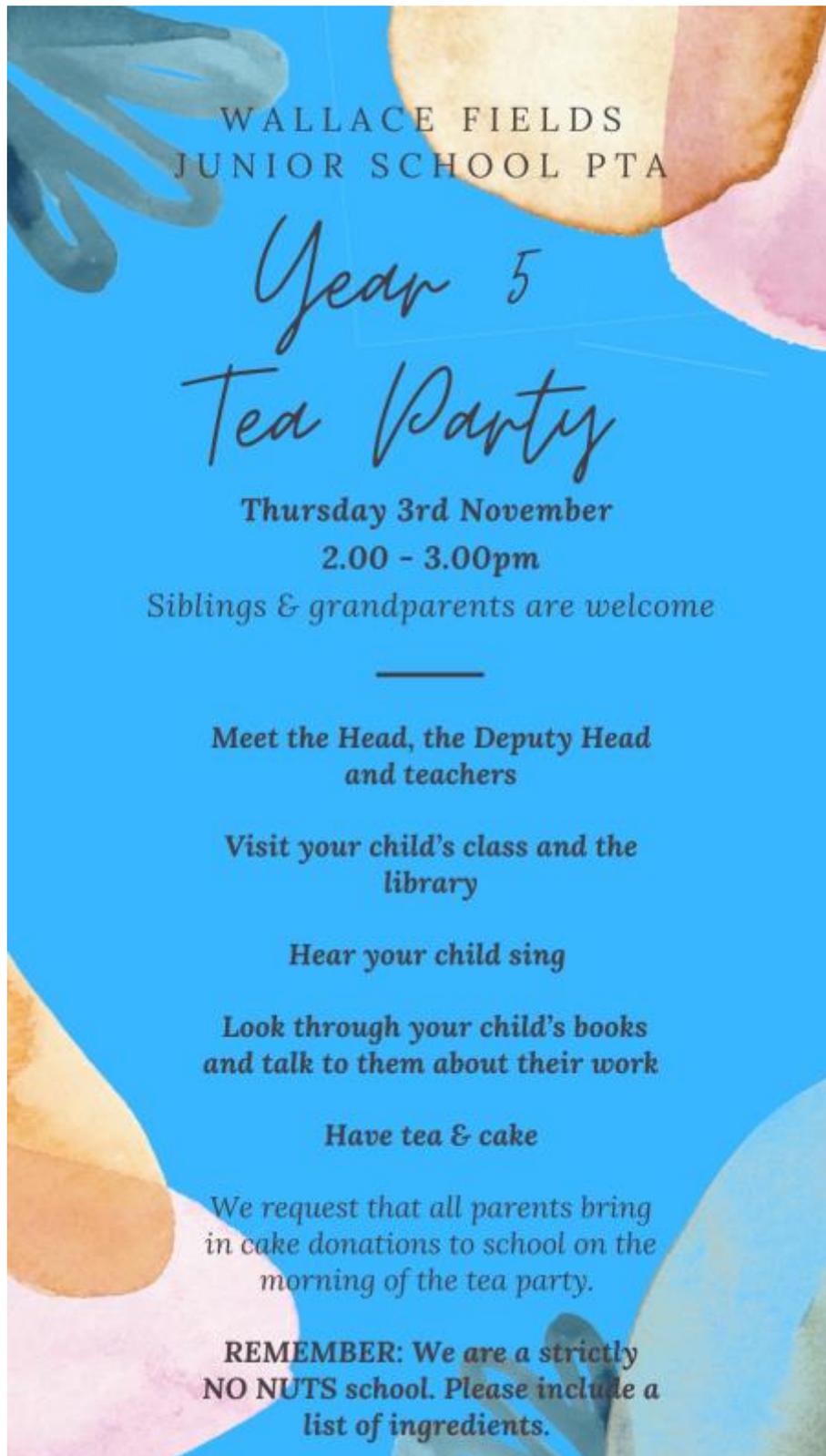
Has your child loved a book recently, please encourage your child to write on this web platform Padlet. It is a real-time collaborative web platform in which users can upload, organise, and share content to virtual bulletin boards (padlets).

Click here⁶ for the Year 4 page.



⁶<https://padlet.com/WFJSMissDay/u80ilqj717l6axvv>

YEAR 5 REMINDERS



Year 5 Book Reviews

Please encourage your child to read a variety of books. If you are looking for inspiration please see our Year 5 Padlet.

Has your child loved a book recently, please encourage your child to write on this web platform padlet. Padlet is a real-time collaborative web platform in which users can upload, organize, and share content to virtual bulletin boards called "padlets".

Click here⁷ for the Year 5 page.



⁷<https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/Topbooks>

YEAR 6 REMINDERS



No Netball Squad next Wednesday

There is no netball squad training next week, Wednesday 12th October, as Mr Sellars is attending the District Cross Country Event. Parents/Carers will have been informed on SPOND.

Year 6 Book Reviews

Please encourage your child to read a variety of books. If you are looking for inspiration please see our Year 6 Padlet.

Has your child loved a book recently, please encourage your child to write on this web platform padlet. Padlet is a real-time collaborative web platform in which users can upload, organize, and share content to virtual bulletin boards called "padlets".

Click here⁸ for the Year 6 page.



Bikeability - 6C Starts Next Week

Well done to all the 6K cyclists who took part in Bikeability this week. It is now the turn for 6C. On the week of their Bikeability, children **should come into school in their school uniform and bring their comfortable cycling clothes, helmet and trainers** with them to change into for the course. Training will go ahead whatever the weather so please remember raincoats.

For the safety of all the children in school it is important that your child must walk their bikes from the school gate to the cycle sheds.

Children in the first session in the morning must arrive at school promptly at 8.50 a.m. for registration so that they can be ready to start training at 9.00 a.m.

Bicycles should be padlocked when not in use, please attach a named key fob to the padlock key. Please ensure you have a spare key in case the children lose theirs. We advise that bikes should be taken home each evening, however, bicycles are left at school at the owners risk, we cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage whilst they are on the school premises.

Please spare some time to take your child out on the local roads over the weekend and check your child's bicycle and helmet using the guidelines sent previously.

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> Enter your school's unique code: - **SR125298**

⁸<https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/34nua6oahele6gb7>

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**.

Apply online
apply on time by
31 October 2022



Parenting Help and Support



New FREE parent Online Safety courses with Myleene Klass



Children aged between 7 and 11 start to become more aware of the possibilities of the internet and begin to make decisions about what they'd like to do online which is usually either influenced by their peers or by their interests. As they start to become more independent, and start to access different things, it's essential parents take an active interest in their children's safety online.

That's National Online Safety have created this online safety course for parents and carers – to provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to feel confident and empowered to keep your children safe online.

Developed by their safeguarding experts and presented by TV presenter, musician and passionate online safety advocate, Myleene Klass, this course takes you on a detailed journey through your child's digital habits, explaining the type of online world they're experiencing now, what risks they might be exposed to and just what you can do to support.

Click here⁹ to find out more.



Home-Start Epsom and Ewell

Over 5s and SEND Project

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. ADHD/ASD
- + a child with emotional/behavioural 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
- > ParentingSEND Workshops
 - Including:- Positive Parenting
 - Dealing with Difficult Emotions
 - Pre-teens
 - 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 please contact:-

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

⁹[https://nationalonlinesafety.com/courses/os-for-parents-carers-of-children-aged-7-11?utm_campaign=NOS Membership Comms&utm_medium=email&_hsmt=228336772&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-9d5d0CMiH0xSZVZ6uZDrzVnCJTImEdO-l0XhO1j_Yw3COMvumlei2PcdySQhPecBw-16j7UjdtMJ5GyhBT07J-ebE7v0gdPiYMXR-C2D-6I9dmkoE&utm_content=228336772&utm_source=hs_email](https://nationalonlinesafety.com/courses/os-for-parents-carers-of-children-aged-7-11?utm_campaign=NOS%20Membership%20Comms&utm_medium=email&_hsmt=228336772&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-9d5d0CMiH0xSZVZ6uZDrzVnCJTImEdO-l0XhO1j_Yw3COMvumlei2PcdySQhPecBw-16j7UjdtMJ5GyhBT07J-ebE7v0gdPiYMXR-C2D-6I9dmkoE&utm_content=228336772&utm_source=hs_email)



General Reminders and News

Are You Looking for Childcare for Half Term?

Reminder - It is an 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.

Urgent Messages

For urgent messages, absences, pick up arrangements and general enquiries please email the School Office on Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk¹⁰ 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. Click on the red envelope next to the staff member on the following

¹⁰<mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

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.

Follow Us On Twitter

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

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1567573364964818945>

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 here¹¹ for more information.



Latest School Calendar Dates

For the latest dates click here¹² for calendar on website.

¹¹<https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-clubs/wallace-fields-junior-school/>

¹²<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/school-calendar>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Community Flyers

To Book Place email ewell.library@surveys.co.uk



Bourne Hall Museum
Kids Club
bringing history alive

Discover Roman Ewell? 8 October 11am to 12am

Free Talk in association with Ewell Library Only 30 places



Discover how people learnt to live with Roman power as a small native village became a busy roadside town. Learn how the building of a road brought a new world of ideas, food, pottery, trade and strangers to the area and gave locals a chance to see the world. Learn something of their beliefs. Hear tales of the Roman underworld, sacred springs and sacrifices sealing deep sacred shafts full of gifts to the gods. Learn about what was uncovered during a recent dig, even more strange than earlier discoveries!

Free by ticket which are available, only from Bourne Hall Library. A large selection of books on the Romans will be made available before and after the talk.

EPSOM RDA

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Can you spare a few hours a week to help a local charity support disabled participants to achieve, have fun and benefit from the therapeutic power of horses?

We need volunteers with a range of skills, not just horsey ones!



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epsomrda.org.uk

