



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Issue: Friday 21st January 2022

SCHOOL DATES

Date	Event
Thursday 27 th Jan	Chinese New Year assembly
Friday 28 th Jan 12:30 - 13:00	Zoom with Sky Technician in IT suite for children signed up

HEAD'S UPDATE

Thank you to those parents who responded to the questionnaire. It is always good to get your feedback and it is still open for a while. I wanted to **update you about Ofsted** – we are due an Ofsted as the exemption for inspection of outstanding schools was lifted in September 2021 and so we have been awaiting the call since then. The inspections have been delayed by the effects of Covid on staffing Ofsted but we do still expect them soon. When they do come along we will notify you and some inspectors may come out to the gates to talk to some parents – feel free to come and chat with them if you see me with an inspector. They call the day before a two day inspection and they look into every aspect of school including safeguarding, teaching, learning and wellbeing. I hope you could spare a few minutes to contribute comments when they do eventually appear.

Thankfully, **Covid is still very low at Wallace Fields Juniors**, with only 2 children off this week and no cases at all yesterday. We have no cases of Covid in any staff now and so school is running very smoothly. Thanks again for your ongoing understanding as the regulations from the government changed yet again and we have put advice in this bulletin and on [the website](#) in case you experience Covid at home. We are welcoming volunteers back into school now (and volunteer readers) so please get in touch if you can spare some time to get involved in your child's school.

WE WANT YOUR VIEWS

We are always keen to hear **parents' views on the school**, and would encourage you to complete the annual questionnaire by [clicking here](#). **This link is now working.** We welcome your ideas and positive suggestions, which we will directly feedback to staff. If you have specific individual feedback relevant to your child only, please contact the class teacher directly rather than include in the parent questionnaire. Thank you very much. **Please respond by 4th February 2022.**

**ASSEMBLY THEME THIS WEEK –
IS HONESTY ALWAYS THE BEST
POLICY?**



YEAR 6 HINDUISM TALK FROM SAI

Year 6 enjoyed an enlightening workshop on Hinduism from 'Sai' from Sri Raja Rajeshwari Amman Temple in Stoneleigh who came in on the 21st of January. She talked to the children about various aspects of Hinduism such as the history of the temple and key Hindu beliefs. The children were extremely polite, engaged and curious and asked relevant questions to deepen their understanding to the faith. They learnt about customs and traditions and learnt an interesting story about Ganesh. Sai shared many unique insights as a member of the faith and this enabled children to hear from a living, breathing person about what it means to be a Hindu. There was clear motivation and respect visible through children's behaviour and learning holding true to the Wallace Fields Junior School tradition. The talk ended with children taking part in an enactment of a story which they enjoyed very much and learnt from. We send our HUGE thanks to Sai for taking out the time to visit us- we really appreciate her efforts. We hope to see her in the future with more exciting presentations and workshops.

CELEBRATING CHINESE NEW YEAR

On **Thursday 27th January** we will be holding a whole school assembly to celebrate Chinese New Year and a couple of children will be chosen to do a Chinese dance (which will involve some practice at lunchtimes). **We would love any children who celebrate Chinese New Year to come in wearing their special outfits or bring items to share and talk about.** On Thursday, our school meal provider Twelve 15 will also be having a Chinese themed school dinner. All classes will take part in some Chinese New Year themed craft activity on 1st February 2022. Please follow us on twitter [@wallacefieldsjs](#) for images of the activities.

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FAMILY MEMBER OR CLOSE CONTACT IS COVID POSITIVE – WHAT DO I DO?

From 14 December 2021, adults who are fully vaccinated and all children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 are strongly advised to take a lateral flow test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result. For the full government guidance on “What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges” [click here](#). You will find a useful flow chart on Covid testing for children in Year 6 at the end of this bulletin.

ENGINEER /SCIENTIST TALKS

Miss Sarjeant has organised a series of lunchtime virtual talks for pupils interested in maths and science with STEM professionals in 2022. We have a **Sky Technician** coming in on Friday 28th January and Friday 11th February. There are limited places so please encourage your child to sign up as soon as possible on **the sign-up sheet on the 5S classroom door**. Plus all **the Year 5 & 6** will be having a zoom call with a Robotics engineer during the afternoon of Friday 4th February 2022.

DEALING WITH DIFFICULT EMOTIONS WORKSHOP

Thank you to all those parents who took part in the positive parenting workshop on “Dealing with Difficult Emotions” on Tuesday January 18th led by Lesley Lane, Senior Family Co-ordinator from Home Start. If you would like to see the handout please [click here](#). We are planning to hold another workshop for parents from 9.00am-10.30am (virtual only) on 14th June on the topic of Pre-Teens. So please pencil in your diary and we will provide more information in the bulletin nearer the time.

PART TIME MUSIC POSITON AT WFJS

Sadly Mrs Burke will be leaving us soon, so we are looking to appoint an equally talented and enthusiastic part-time music teacher from February 2022. Hours to be negotiated for the right candidate. The successful candidate will have a creative and flexible approach to teaching and learning of music, high expectations of achievement and behaviour, a good sense of humour and ability to work as part of a team. Ideally, you will have experience of leading choirs and school productions. We have delightful children, supportive parents, a committed team of staff and governors and teaching assistants in all classes. [Click here](#) for more information and to apply.

YEAR 4 HOOKE COURT TRIP MAY 2022

A letter and consent form with details about this trip was emailed out this week. If you would like your child to attend this trip, please complete the consent form and make your deposit of £55 by 4th February 2022.

Blog Post

by Rebecca, Lydia, Zuzanna and Arissa

[Energy Kids!](#)

We are really excited that there will be a fun breakfast and after school club every day in the school canteen from after half term.

[What is my child studying?](#)

There is lots of information on our class and learning pages on the school website.

[Reminder!](#)

Please park respectfully and avoid parking over people's driveways Thank you!

[Well-o-impics!](#)

Every term we will do a Well-i-impics which is a day of mindfulness. The last Well-i-impics event will be a sporty tournament. We hope all pupils of Wallace Fields Junior School enjoy the festivities!

[Science enrichment!](#)

A couple of days ago there was an extremely fun and intriguing science enrichment experiment done with Mrs Hernandez! I hope the children who participated have enjoyed themselves!

WELLBEING

WELLBEING AT WFJS

We are always keen to ensure all the children are safe and happy. If you are concerned about your child's mental health or wellbeing; please contact one of the following: The class teacher, Mrs Bruen (ELSA), Mrs Fowler (ELSA), Mrs Thompson (Year 3 and 4 Wellbeing champion) or Miss Hallett (Year 5 and 6 Wellbeing champion). Please refer to the links and resources on our school Wellbeing webpage by [clicking here](#).

BRILLIANT SCHOOLS WELLBEING VIDEO

In order to create a sustainable, long-term wellbeing ethos in our school, we have subscribed to the 'Brilliant Schools' wellbeing programme. Please [click here](#) to watch a quick 10-minute video with practical tips for parenting. The link will be active for the next 30 days.

THE MANATEE APP – MENTAL HEALTH

Manatee have developed a mental health app to help you and your family. The app includes courses, tips, interactive exercises and tools to help you achieve set goals for your family. You can find out more by [clicking here](#).

PSHE AT WFJS

We teach Personal Social Health and Economic Education (PSHE) every week and topics include relationships, health, the wider world (citizenship) and sex education. We allow opportunities for children to reflect on and clarify their own values and attitudes and explore the complex and sometimes conflicting range of values and attitudes they encounter now and in the future. For more details on the PSHE curriculum for each year group please [click here](#) to see our curriculum map and our PHSE web page.

WRAP AROUND CARE AT WFJS

Bookings for Energy Kidz are now available for wraparound care at **Wallace Fields Junior School** - Breakfast Clubs (7:30am until 8:45am) and after School Clubs (3:20pm until 6:00pm). Energy Kidz's online booking system allows for flexible payment options including our handy instalment plan that allows you spread the cost of termly or yearly bookings over monthly instalments. To book please login/create an account and secure your place online by [clicking here](#). For more information [click here](#).



EnergyKidz
Breakfast & After School Club
Wallace Fields Junior School

The image shows the EnergyKidz logo at the top, followed by a yellow banner with the text 'Breakfast & After School Club Wallace Fields Junior School'. Below this are four photographs of children in school uniforms: a boy holding a soccer ball, a girl in a blue blazer, two boys looking at something together, and two boys smiling.

Find out more and book online:
0333 577 1533 | info@energy-kidz.co.uk
www.energy-kidz.co.uk

Secure your child's space today!

HOLIDAY CLUB LAUNCHED

We are delighted to inform you that Wallace Fields Junior School will now be hosted a holiday club starting during the **February half term - 14th-18th February 2022**. There will be over 30 themed activities including sports, team games and arts and crafts, your children will keep active and entertained with friends this February half term. Their structured programme means that your children are kept busy throughout the day and you get value for money in your holiday club bookings. Standard days run from 09.45 to 16:00 or extended day runs from 09:00 to 18:00. You can book per day but there is a 10% saving for booking the whole week. SCL holiday club is designed to engage and entertain children of all interests aged 4 to 12 years so it is not just for WFJS pupils and there is a 25% discount if you book three siblings.



SCL
HEROES
HOLIDAY CLUB
14TH - 18TH FEBRUARY

DISCOVER YOUR INNER SUPERHERO!
PACKED WITH OVER 30 THEMED ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING
SPORTS, TEAM GAMES AND ARTS AND CRAFTS
FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-12

RUNNING AT YOUR SCHOOL!
VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL LOCATIONS

BOOKINGS AND MORE INFO
www.wearesclkids.co.uk | 0345 644 5747

The poster features a dark blue background with stars and icons of a pencil, a soccer ball, a stethoscope, a yellow hard hat, and a red mask. The text is in white and yellow. At the bottom, there is a photo of three children: a girl with a stethoscope, a boy giving a thumbs up, and a girl in a red superhero costume with a yellow cape.

How Parenting Puzzle Workshops have helped other parents

"So helpful to have ways of dealing with situations that happen on a daily basis"

"Wonderful! Could do this every day"

"Better than expected, made me think differently about toddler behaviour"

"It was a completely new experience for me but after the first week I was completely relaxed"



check out familylinks.org.uk

The Nurturing Programme Parenting Puzzle Workshops

Where:

Epsom Family Centre
Pound Lane
Epsom
KT19 8SD

When:

From 3rd March to 24th March
Every Thursday from 9.45 to 11.45 a.m.

contact details:

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Lesley.Lane@hseeb.org.uk



familylinks.org.uk



Parenting Puzzle Workshops

Information for parents and carers



HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022!

WFIS & WFJS PTAS ARE PLEASED TO INTRODUCE THE

2022 CHALLENGE

For the **first half of this term**, we are encouraging our pupils to **raise £20.22 by taking on a new challenge!** You can do it individually, as a family or as a group. **How you do this is entirely up to you.**

Once you have completed your challenge, donate the money you have raised at www.pta-events.co.uk/wfispta

£20.22 is your target, but there is no minimum amount needed to join in, and no maximum should you raise more.

Use the **number 22** to inspire you! You could:

- do a **22km** sponsored bike ride
- help your family with **22** jobs
- try to score **22** goals
- bake and sell **22** cupcakes
- perform a **22** minute sponsored dance routine
- make **22** pieces of art to sell to your friends and family
- sell **22** of your pre-loved toys
- make your bed **22** days in a row

Use your imagination! We can't wait to see what creative ideas you come up with.

Do share any photos and stories with us so that we can let everyone else know about your wonderful experiences. You may even inspire others to try something new!

**COVID-19
HASN'T
GONE
AWAY**

Covid-19 testing guidance for children in Year 6 and below



Showing symptoms (this is day 0)

**Keep the child at home & tell their early years/
primary setting.**

**Get a confirmatory PCR test. Call 119 or book a
test online at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test**

Positive result

Day (1-10) self-isolation.

You can stop self-isolating at the start of day 6 if you get 2 negative rapid lateral flow test results on days 5 and 6 and do not have a temperature. Tests must be at least 24 hours apart. If either test is positive, wait 24 hours before testing again.

Anyone aged 5 years and over, who has been identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 and who is not legally required to self-isolate, is now strongly advised to take a rapid lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days (or until 10 days since their last contact with the person who tested positive if this is earlier).

If you are aged over 18 years and 6 months and are not fully vaccinated and you have been informed by NHS Test and Trace that you are a contact of a person who has had a positive test, you are legally required to stay at home and self-isolate

Under 5s that are close contacts are exempt from self-isolation and do not need to take part in daily rapid lateral flow testing.

Return to early years/primary setting if child is well

You should always record a lateral flow test result, whether positive or negative, via the Gov.uk website
For more information visit surreycc.gov.uk/coronavirus

From 11th Jan, guidance states that primary school age children (year 6 and below) are not required to regularly test, unless they are a contact of a positive case. Anyone who receives a positive lateral flow test result should **report their result on GOV.UK** and must self-isolate immediately, but currently will not need to take a follow-up PCR test.

Lateral flow tests generally shouldn't be used for children under 5 years. Do not use lateral flow tests on anyone displaying symptoms.

Negative result

Return to early years/primary setting if child is well (note: you should still make a decision as normal about whether your child is well enough to return)

**KEEP
SURREY
SAFE**