



# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## THIS WEEK

### ACTING HEAD'S UPDATE

As the term starts to draw to an end, we are looking forward to lots of fun events and activities and are so pleased that we are able to offer each year group sports morning. Do remember to register via the Google Doc sent out this week, if you wish to attend the sports morning, as parents will need to be kept in smaller bubbles, as well to keep everyone safe. Refreshments will not be available, so ensure you bring water with you. Unfortunately, toilets will not be available for parents as toilets are reserved for year group bubbles. We are all very excited to be hosting this event and are looking forward to a fun week!

### TEACHER WORKLOAD

Wednesday was "Thank a Teacher Day". Thank you for some lovely messages received. This week has been more challenging in school with 2 positive cases notified and 1 resulting in a bubble closure. This has had a huge impact on staff as 10 staff are now isolating and another four are already on sick leave. This will have an affect intervention, 1:1 reading, ELSA and support in school, as all our HLTAs and some SNAs have had to go into isolation. Please be mindful of this when emailing teachers, or making requests. Turn around time for emails is 48 hours. Private report turn around time is between 7-14 days and the deadline must be agreed with the teacher first. All PPA time has been lost this week as we have no available cover for teachers to do this, so they are planning after school, as well as marking. Please see the separate letter, sent out today for further details. Mrs Day

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB CLOSURE DUE TO LOW NUMBERS

We are sorry to announce that Club Vale our wraparound care provider will close at Wallace Fields Junior School the end of July. Club Vale have promoted their breakfast and after school club weekly in the bulletin, but numbers remain very low and it is no longer sustainable. We are currently looking into other

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- W/C 21<sup>st</sup> June -9<sup>th</sup> July– Scholastic book fair
- 1<sup>st</sup> July – Epsom Cricket Club coaching Yr 6
- W/C 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Mornings
- 6<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3 trip to Butser farm
- 13<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 to Stemfest 1-2.30pm
- Wednesday, 21 July - End of Term 1.30pm

For the latest dates [click here](#).

providers and have arranged a meeting with one of these providers next week. We do hope that we can continue to provide the wrap around care from September and will keep parents informed. The school continues to run a number of other after school clubs. The club timetable is not yet finalised for September but please [click here](#) check the website to see more information.

### JUNIOR CITIZENS

Year 6 went to Epsom Downs racecourse on Wednesday



to take part in their Junior Citizens visit. They experienced a variety of different safety scenarios hosted by numerous organisations,

including: the police, fire fighters and substance abuse charities. A plethora of useful life skills were acquired on the trip and all Year 6 children received a free wrist band to take home.

### WELLBEING DAY

On Friday, the school joined WFIS in celebrating wellbeing and positive mental health and Year 5 will complete their day on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. The children created individual Happiness Boxes, filled with items to improve their personal wellbeing and sense of happiness. Additionally, Year 6 received a talk from former parent and resident scientist Mrs Hernandez about her beliefs and how this positively affects her daily life. The children were also shown this video from

our 'Brilliant Schools' subscription, which focused on how to have a brilliant life and considered comfort zones and kindness. [Click here](#) for more information.

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

### HEADPHONES NEEDED IN SCHOOL

Please can all children in Year 3, 4 & 6 **bring in headphones for Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June** as they will be having online music lessons via Chromebooks during next week.

### SPONSORED READATHON LAUNCHED

Our Readathon was launched on **Monday 21st June and finish on 9<sup>th</sup> July**. We would love for family and friends to sponsor your children in their reading! This can be done by sponsoring them to read pages of a book (if they are reading through a huge tome!) or for the amount of books that they read. **Sponsorship money can be collected by parents and donated on Scopay under "Readathon Sponsorship 2021"**. All money raised will go to **our new library fund**.

### SPORTS DAY PLANS – W/C 5<sup>th</sup> JULY

If you would like to attend a WFJS sports morning please [click here](#) to complete the Google form for each person who wishes to attend and for each year group. Each year group will be having a sports morning from 9.30 to 11.30am during the week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> July:

- **Year 3** on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July
- **Year 4** on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July
- **Year 5** on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July
- **Year 6** on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July

If there is heavy rain, then we would need to reschedule. **Children will need to bring** in PE kits, sunhats, water, suncream and, if possible, a T-shirt in their house colour. **Please note, there are no refreshments or toilets available for parents.**

### TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR!

The Book Fair has arrived at Wallace Fields Junior School this week, with hundreds of new children's books to browse and buy. Children will be invited in during the school day in their year group bubbles to browse the books and write a wish list, which they will bring home. Parents/carers must purchase the books online using the following link <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/pay>.

### YEAR 5 MATHS WORKSHEETS

Maths worksheets were emailed to you earlier in the week for all next week's lessons. They are also available on Google Slide or you can pick up a copy in the clear box outside school. You will only need one stapled pack and it should have 6 sheets.

Please email [ksarjeant@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:ksarjeant@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk) if there are any questions!

### YEAR 3 TRIP TO BUTSER FARM – 6<sup>th</sup> JULY

It is not long now until Year 3 visit Butser Ancient Farm to learn about the Iron Age. In order for this to go ahead **we need parents to pay the voluntary contribution**. Please pay on Scopay as soon as possible. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help on the trip, we will be in touch shortly to confirm if we will need your help. Thank you.

## REMINDERS

### DO NOT REQUEST NEW CLASSES AND TEACHERS

This year, we will be mixing up classes to start in September 2021. However, teachers are not able to take individual requests for teachers to be with certain friends. Teachers carefully balance children's needs, gender, and behaviour to ensure classes are carefully balanced and based on their professional judgement.

### COVID-19 SYMPTOMS IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD?

Covid numbers are still increasing in our area. For the latest Covid figures in Surrey [click here](#). We now have two cases in pupils at school, so please remain very vigilant to Covid symptoms. **Here is a reminder about what to do if someone in your household has Covid-19 (Coronavirus) symptoms.**

- Child shouldn't attend school
- Household member with symptoms should get a PCR test. **PLEASE BOOK A PCR TEST LOCALLY as their results normally come back in 48 hours.** Postal tests are taking much longer.
- Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test results
- Inform school immediately about absence and then test results
- Only bring the child back to school when household member test is negative, and child does not have Covid-19 symptoms.

Hopefully you will find this quick guide to Covid-19 absence attached really useful.

## WELLBEING

### SCHOOLS WELLBEING PROGRAMME

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 5 minute video about growth mindset. The link will be active for the next 30 days.

## WELLBEING AT WFJS

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). If you would like further advice or support regarding your own mental health or wellbeing, please refer to the links and resources on our school Wellbeing webpage by [clicking here](#).

## PTA

### PRIZES FOR SUMMER RAFFLE NEEDED

We have had some fantastic prizes donated to the Summer Raffle this year but are always looking out for more. If you know a company or service that would like to contribute and helps us raise loads of lovely cash for the school please contact Emma Ware or Jenny Houghton through the office.

### ORGANISED? CREATIVE? COMMUNICATIVE? SOCIAL BUTTERFLY? BUDGET WHIZZ? HAVE A CHILD JOINING WALLACE FIELDS THIS SEPTEMBER? THEN READ ON....!!

Wallace Fields Junior School has an active and really friendly PTA team who are looking for new members to join to help drive future fundraising events and idea for the coming year.

We have the following roles available and would love to chat to anyone keen to consider these, or elements of them from Autumn term:

- **PTA Chair:** With a hands-on team and plenty of parents willing to help, this role helps to schedule termly meetings, drive fundraising ideas, structure event plans and liaise with the school in terms of R&R's and communicating plans with parents. This could be a Co-Chair role if preferred to split as a team.
- **Treasurer:** Our current treasurer will be leaving at the end of the summer term, so if you are a whizz at excel spreadsheets, donation platforms and managing accounts, we need you!
- **General PTA members:** We are always looking for more people to join the team with whatever skills you have to offer, great at social media management (creating posts, events and responding to queries), admin support (inc. PTA email account, school office liaison, etc), creative skills fundraising experience &

lead generation, great local contacts for raffle and auction prizes, event planning, etc etc – we would love to hear from you all!

Please contact Jenny Houghton if keen to join and if you have any questions regarding any of the roles or potential support you can offer:

[jen.houghton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jen.houghton@hotmail.co.uk)/ 07766336216

## DONATION TO SCHOOL FUNDS

Any donations to the school are welcome however big or small. To donate online with gift aid please [click here](#). Our aim is to provide EVERY child with a Chromebook.

## COMMUNITY

### Rosebery School Transition

Rosebery have moved their **Transition Day and new Year 7 parents tour** to **Friday 3 September 2021**, moving the start of term for the rest of our students to the following week.

In addition to this they will be holding a **Reveal the Tutor Group event at 4pm on Tuesday 29 June**. They intend for their **Summer School to take place on 22 and 23 of July 2021**. They will write to all our families shortly informing them of these plans.

For more information about Year 7 transition [click here](#). Their **Open Evening for current Year 5** will now move to **Thursday 16 September**.

### GLYN OPEN EVENING POSTPONED

Glyn have had to postpone our Open Evening for Year 7 entry from Thursday 8 July to Thursday 16 September 2021. For more information [click here](#).

### FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITY FOR THOSE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEAL

Club4 is an exclusive offer for children and young people who are eligible for benefit-related free school meals in Surrey. For the summer holidays, all eligible children at school in Surrey have the chance to secure a free place at one of 140 day camps running across the County. Some camps are commercially run and open to all, while others are exclusive to Club4 families.

To find a camp near you and see what else is on offer with the Club4 programme, please visit the Club4 website. For further information please contact [HAF@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@surreycc.gov.uk)

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# Junior Hockey Free Summer Open Days



JUNE 29TH & JULY 6TH

5-6PM

YEAR GROUPS 3- 6

EPSOM HOCKEY CLUB,

OLD SCHOOL LANE,

EWELL, KT17 1TJ.

## Come & have a go at hockey!

Would you like to try hockey at our friendly club with fantastic coaches? All you need is enthusiasm and an interest in team games!

Hockey is an amazing game to get involved in at a young age. Not only is it great fun but it has heaps of benefits:

- fitness & health
- cognitive skills; decision making, patience, thinking ahead
- hand eye coordination
- being part of a team
- making new friends

Come along and try it out! You'll meet some fantastic people, and it doesn't matter what level you are already, in fact it doesn't matter if you've never even picked up a stick. It's all about having some fun and getting outside.

**Click [here](#) to access the form to book a place  
or email [Junioradmin@epsomhc.co.uk](mailto:Junioradmin@epsomhc.co.uk) to book your place**

# COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p><b>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child should get a test</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child's test comes back negative</b></p>
 <p><b>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms)</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 10 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 10 days</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</b></p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p><b>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Household member with symptoms should get a test</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</b></p>
 <p><b>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 10 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 10 days</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child has completed 10 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 10 days</b></p>

\* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>