

SCHOOL DATES

Date	Event
Monday 28 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Easter Egg entries due in. • Rehearsal for Music Festival singers • Parents' evening face to face 3.45-6.30pm
Tuesday 29 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Festival 5-7pm • Parents' evening online 3.45-6.30pm
Wednesday 30 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Festival 5-7pm
Thursday 31 st March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellbeing day – all children get chance to do some ballroom dancing
Friday 1 st April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellbeing morning. • Last day of term. Early staggered finish time 1.20-1.30pm

HEAD'S UPDATE

Another very active week with the design and technology projects in many classes and creating new recipes, proofing and baking going on. The sporting events with other schools are returning as confidence returns to schools locally. The school routines have been modifying slowly back to the pre-Covid times and the children are enjoying more outdoor learning with the improved weather. The field is open for lunchtimes now and soon our outdoor learning spaces will be booked up for lessons.



Covid Update – Covid numbers rose last week and this had an impact on attendance of both pupils and staff. We had 20% of teachers out and 30% the week before. There was a peak of 21 children last week however, numbers dropped to 10 this week so we will be returning to whole school assemblies.

Covid Impact on School: This level of Covid has had an impact on school in that we had to provide cover for lessons and this in turn effects intervention and support in lessons. I would like to thank the staff for their incredible flexibility, commitment and energy in providing additional support and covering groups. Special thanks go to Mrs Hallet, Mrs Fowler, Mrs Langner and Mrs Wilson although this is not a complete list as all staff have adapted extremely well including teaching assistants and SNAs and we have managed to keep classes running smoothly. Whilst it may seem that the rest of society is returning to

normal, inside school we still abide by guidance from the DfE, which includes testing and isolation, and this is very difficult as staff levels become critical. In addition to this, there have been chest infections and respiratory sickness affecting the teachers, the caretaker and the administration staff. Mr Findlay is never off sick so that was a surprise.

I would also like to thank parents and carers for your ongoing patience and understanding of the situation in school. Whilst we have not suffered as much as other nearby schools we have had to drop several focus and intervention groups.

Peer on Peer Abuse: As a school, we are acutely aware of the need to ensure that all the children are safe. Part of this goal includes acting on peer on peer abuse or harassment including sexually inappropriate behaviour or touching. All peer on peer abuse is recorded and investigated fully and although more prevalent in later stages of education, children at primary age are still a concern – especially if they have experienced issues at home or witnessed or suffered inappropriate behaviour. This is soon to be renamed 'child on child abuse' and we continue to track it across the whole school. We use PSHE lessons to ensure awareness of self and the 'pant rule' that helps children with identifying incidences of inappropriate touching and the occurrence of others acting without consent. We continue to teach and model healthy and happy relationships and what to do if a relationship is no longer happy or healthy. We will contact parents if we investigate any incidences of peer on peer abuse and often involve the parents of both the victim and the perpetrator.

Pick Up from School: We have updated procedure for pick up from school. The details are attached. Please come closer to the school gates and note that children will not be released to parents and carers unless they are the school side of the road, within sight and a short distance away. Parents and children including siblings should remain gate-side of the island as the barrier demarcates where traffic is exiting and entering the school – including staff and visitors. Please drive carefully, park respectfully and put the safety of the children first by not turning in the road, blocking the road or using the local residents' driveways. Your cooperation and modelling of courteous behaviour is very much appreciated and goes a long way in ensuring the children behave appropriately in the future.

LATEST NEWS

WHISKERS AND EARS DAY

Some gorgeous whiskers and ears were worn today and we have raised £170 towards our guinea pig fund.



SPECIAL THANKS TO MOTHERS & TESCO

Special mention to Tesco in Sutton and the fabulous managers Day and Allan who kindly donated ALL of the flowers to WFJS for the Mother's Day event allowing us to make over £550 for the school from voluntary contributions. In return I have attached a Tesco feedback card to each bunch of flowers and would like to encourage parents to fill in the forms to allow the store and its fabulous managers to be recognised within their company. Sutton Tesco have also very kindly offered to support our school with donations for the rest of the year. Just wonderful!



THANK YOU MRS FARQUHAR

Governors play an important role in the school maintaining strategic oversight of the school and holding school leaders to account for educational standards.. The Governors at Wallace Fields Junior School are all volunteers who give up their time because they care about the school. We would like to express huge thanks to Mrs Farquhar who has finished her four year term as a school parent governor and was before that a parent at the school and a member of Prayers at Wallace Fields (PAW). She will be missed and we wish her all the best.



THANK YOU FOR THE PLANTS

Thank you to the family of Luke F 4D for some fantastic plants including a couple of rhododendron bushes which are about to burst into flower. If anyone else has any bushes or shrubs to donate we would be delighted. Please contact the school office or Mr Findlay. Thank you

CONGRATULATIONS TO QUIZ TEAM

Our amazing General Knowledge quiz club team are through to the finals after coming 10th in the semi-finals. The final is being held in London in June - further details will be sent out as soon as we have them! Well done to Lalana 3B, Grace 4G, Nilesh 5C & William 6K.

PROGRESS WITH OUR LIBRARY

The library is mostly fitted however final filing and organising of books to do. The children are still able to take books out whilst the finishing touches are added. Also thanks to your Scholastic book fair purchases, we are delighted to announce the final total we have to spend on new books is £713.

WELLBEING DAYS

We have some exciting activities planned for the last two days of school before we break up for Easter – **Thursday 31st March and Friday 1st April 2022**. We will be celebrating the link between physical and mental health. We are particularly excited that all children will get the chance to have a taster ballroom dancing session with Adelmo Mandia & Leah Rolfe. Flyers will be sent home so your child can sign up for their (before school) club on Friday. For more information you can visit their website - www.adelmoleahdance.co.uk. In addition our Year 6 Sports Crew members will be run fun physical activity sessions for every class across the two days.

IMPORTANT

END OF TERM EARLY FINISH

Please note in your diary that there is, as usual, an early finish on Friday 1st April 2022 on the last day of term at 1.30pm for Year 3, 1.25pm for Year 4 & 1.20pm for both Year 5 & 6.

4G PARENTS EVENING

Unfortunately Ms Gough is recovering from Covid and **will not be able to attend the in person parents evening appointments on Monday 28th March**. These appointments have been **re-scheduled for Wednesday 20th April**. All appointment times will remain the same so there is no need to re-book. If you are unable to make your appointment time on this new date, please email the school office on office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk **The Tuesday video link appointments for Ms Gough on Tuesday 29th March will go ahead as normal.**

PARENTS EVENING SPRING 2022

BOOKINGS CLOSES ON SUNDAY 27th MARCH AT 4PM

FACE TO FACE PARENTS' EVENING – Monday 28th March

- Appointments will be available for you to speak to your child's class teacher face-to-face in the school hall and will last 6 minutes.
- Parents should arrive and enter the school hall via library corridor from the playground. Access will be via the main gate only.
- Please wait in the library corridor until two minutes before your appointment time. A member of staff will meet parents at the hall entrance and allow access at the appropriate time.
- A bell will ring at the end of each appointment time and we kindly request that parents keep to their allotted time and leave via the main office (one way).
- We are happy for you to wear a mask if you wish.
- We would prefer it if your child did not attend the meeting, though if you are collecting your child from school, close to your appointment time, your child will be permitted to accompany you. Children must not be left unattended in the playground.

VIRTUAL PARENTS EVENING – Tuesday 29th March

- Appointments will be available for you to speak to your child's class teacher via video call and the meeting will last 6 minutes.
- At the 5 minute point of the meeting, an amber bar will appear on the screen warning that there is 1 minute remaining of the meeting. At 10 seconds to the end of the meeting, this bar will turn red and the meeting will stop automatically.
- Please log in before your appointment slot. The appointment will go live at the time booked and it will not be possible for the appointment to start late.
- Please see instructions attached separately for joining the video call on the Tuesday parents evening.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Our Year 5 & 6 chamber choir will be performing in the Epsom and Ewell Music Festival at the Epsom Playhouse on **Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th March 2022** between 5.00pm -7.00pm. The dress rehearsal will be on Monday 28th March and parents will need to pick up at 11.30am from school. Children will need a packed lunch and book/colouring book. Tickets for the performance are available directly from the [Playhouse](#)

YEAR 6 WHITE T-SHIRTS

Reminder to please ensure your Year 6 children remembers to bring in their plain white T-shirt on Monday 28th March for printing in their art lesson.

YEAR 4 MUSIC ASSEMBLY – 26th APRIL

Year 4 are being given the opportunity to perform a short piece in front of friends, teachers and parents. The assembly will run from 1.15pm until approximately 1.45pm on **Tuesday 26th April**. If your child would like to perform, please could you complete the Google form (**by today Friday 25th March**) including the title and approximate timing of the piece they wish to play [Click here](#)

YEAR 3 FRUIT SMOOTHIE D&T DAY – WEDNESDAY 30th MARCH

On Wednesday 30th March, Year 3 will be making a fruit smoothie as part of our Year 3 Design and Technology project. Information of what you need to bring in was sent home yesterday (Thursday 24th March). Do not forget to label all equipment that it sent in.

WORLD MATHS DAY VIDEO NOW LIVE

We are really excited to announce that the Mathletics videos are now live to celebrate World Maths Day! As a school, we had our celebrations a little earlier, on the day that the Mathletics team came in. We are extremely proud of our school being chosen as one of the top users and it was really wonderful to see the whole school taking part in celebrations and plenty of excitement around maths. We have retweeted lots of the videos and here are a few that have been posted! Click here to see [tweet one](#), [tweet two](#) and [tweet three](#).

CLUBS FINISH BEFORE EASTER

Most clubs have finished now for Easter so only the following classes will be running next week:-

- arts and crafts club – 30th March 2022
- book club – March 28th (Year 5 &4) and 29th (Year 6 & 3)
- cookery – extended to 29th March for a catch up class.
- year 5 & 6 football squad – 30th March 2022
- French club – 30th March to include a catch up class
- netball squad – finished but extra sessions next term.
- piano lessons – w/c 28th March
- Rockets netball club – 28th March
- recorder club – 31st March

NETBALL SQUAD MORE SESSIONS

Netball squad will NOT be training on Wednesday 30th March as previously stated due to Mrs Wilson taking part in another Wallace Fields Junior School commitment. Mrs Wilson has though agreed to continue with netball squad training a few more weeks into the summer term. Netball will now finish on Wednesday 4th May 2022.

SCHOOL OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS:

Tel: 0208 393 0350 Email: Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

Website: <https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>/Twitter: <https://twitter.com/wallacefieldsjs>

TEACHING ASSISTANT POST AT WFJS

We are looking to appoint an inspirational Teaching Assistant and Special Needs Support working 25 hours per week in term time only starting asap. This exciting and rewarding role requires someone who is patient, flexible, and adaptable and who is able to show initiative in the classroom. The successful candidate will be required to support the class teacher, to assist in the preparation of resources and supporting the children's needs. This will include working with an individual child and groups of children, both in and outside of the classroom, under the guidance of the class teacher. The role will also involve some lunchtime supervision. You will need to work well as part of a team. To find out more and to apply contact the School Business Manager Claire White on Admin@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

HOLIDAY CLUB OVER EASTER

Easter Holidays are fast approaching and SCL are offering a holiday club based at Wallace Fields Junior School. SCL offer Ofsted registered multi-activity clubs designed to engage and entertain children of all interests, **aged 4 to 12 years**. With over 30 themed activities including sports, team games and arts and crafts, your children will keep active and entertained with friends this Easter. Our holiday theme is **Nature** and will showcase the beauty of nature in an exciting way, sparking your child's imagination and interest in the great outdoors! With prices from £30 a day we have both **standard and extended day options** available to suit all your childcare needs. See the flyer at the end of the bulletin. [Click here](#) to find out more. To book [click here](#).

REMINDERS

WATER BOTTLES PLEASE!

As the weather gets warmer. Please do not forget to send your child into school with a clearly labelled water bottle. We do not provide cups as they are single use plastic and as an eco-school we discourage their use.

CLUBS AFTER EASTER

We have lots of exciting clubs happening after half term. Athletics, Cricket/rounders and Gymnastics are all fully booked which is great! Football club is also nearly full! Most of the other clubs still have spaces. For the clubs timetable and all the club letters including the Science and Spanish club letters (which did not get mailed out last week) go to our [clubs page](#) on our website.

HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID

- Please remain vigilant to symptoms and keep your child at home if they complain of feeling unwell.
- Please test regularly with a lateral flow device (LFD) until your child feels better, as it sometimes takes a while for the test to indicate positive.

- A positive LFD is a sufficient indicator of positive Covid and a PCR test is not required.
- Please let the school office know if your child is unwell and if your child has tested positive or negative on LFD.
- Pupils who have Covid-19 should not attend school whilst they are infectious. Instead they should remain at home and avoid contact with others and remote learning will be provided from their second day of isolation, for a maximum of 10 days. See the useful flow chart about how your child could return earlier if they have two negative Covid tests.
- If a pupil is a close contact of someone with Covid, or if a member of your household has Covid, pupils are expected to continue to attend school. However we would ask that if possible, the child minimises their contact with the person who is infected and you remain particularly vigilant to symptoms and take regular lateral flow tests.

ENERGY KIDZ WRAPAROUND CARE AT WFJS!

Are you looking for age appropriate seamless wraparound care? Do you want child care that is personalised and professional? **Energy Kidz** provides wrap around care inside Wallace Fields Junior School. Children can go straight from clubs to Energy Kidz! There are still some places available at Breakfast Clubs (7:30am until 8:45am) and after school clubs (3:20pm until 6:00pm). To book please login/create an account and secure your place online by [clicking here](#). **Customer Service Team are also available between 8am – 6pm and their contact details are as follows** Email info@energy-kidz.co.uk Tel: **0333 577 1533**. For more information [click here](#).

RESIDENTIAL TRIP PAYMENT REMINDERS:

If your child is going on a child's residential trip, please do not forget to pay on Scopay the final installment:

- **Year 4** - £80 is due 22nd April 2022 for Hooke Court
- **Year 5** - £120 is due 18th April 2022 for Isle of Wight
- **Year 6** - £120 is due on 11th April 2022 for Isle of Wight.

WELLBEING

We strive to ensure that all the children are safe and happy at school. 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](#).

NUT FREE SCHOOL

We are a nut-free school, so please ensure none are included in any pack lunches or snacks at any time. Thank you.

PTA

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE PTA FACEBOOK?

If not why not? Join the group to be kept up to date with all the current news from the school, key dates and events. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/wfjspta/?ref=share>

PTA /COMIC RELIEF FUNDRAISER

Thanks to the parents for contributing to sports day mufti last Friday. I'm sure all the children had a fantastic time.. After counting we raised £500 so £250 to Comic Relief and £250 to PTA



WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

EASTER EGG

DESIGN COMPETITION

**RUNNING FROM
MONDAY 21ST TO
MONDAY 28TH MARCH**

Please use the sheet provided to design an Easter egg and hand in to your class teacher by Monday 28th March with a £2 suggested donation for the PTA. Class teachers will choose winners from each year group and they will all win an egg-stravagent Easter surprise.

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You are also welcome to make your donation online:  
[www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta)



## Wallace Fields Infant and Junior School Circus event 21st April 2022

Tickets are on sale 6pm 25th March via <http://pta-events.co.uk/wfispta>  
First come first served. £10 each, under 2's on laps are free

The circus itself starts at 5.30 and lasts for 2 hours. There will be a 30 minute interval. The show theme this year is 'Cabaret' and consists of plenty of razzle dazzle, International artists from around the world performing magic, illusions, lots of fun clowning, music, comedy, song, aerialists with lots of audience participation.

From 3.30 there will be a BBQ available alongside a cafe & bar as well as craft activities, tattoos & a goalie game.

### Helping on the Day

We need help with setting up on the day from 1pm, during the event itself or by clearing up afterwards. No one misses the show as everyone downs tools at 5.30.

### Children's safety

The Safety of the children remains the parents' responsibility at all times. There will be a Lost children meeting point on the field.

### How to get there

Entrance will be via the Infant school gate ONLY. There will be NO parking in either school and if you are driving please park considerately & not across residents' driveways.

### COVID

Please ensure that you have taken a lateral flow and have a negative result before attending the performance.

### Pushchairs

Due to fire regulations pushchairs and prams are not allowed in the Big Top. There will be a specially designated area outside the tent for you to park them.

### Toilets & First Aid

There will be toilets open in both the Reception and Nursery block, clearly signposted. The sun is not going down until approx 8pm and we have a First Aid company on site throughout the event.

### End of the Event/Evacuation

At the end of the night OR in the unlikely event that we need to vacate the field during the evening the Infant school silver gate will be open as well as the entrance to the staff car park. Please remember to respect our neighbours as you leave.

# COMMUNITY



## Wallace Fields Infant School - Admissions Arrangements for 2023 Entry

Following consultation and in accordance with the School Admissions Code 2021, the Admissions Arrangements for September 2023 entry to Wallace Fields Infant School & Nursery can be found on the Admissions section of the school's website – please [click here](#) – for your convenience we have also attached a copy of this document.

## ADULT EDUCATION COURSES

Lots of adult education courses are available including Using Mindfulness to manage Children's anxiety, Supporting Children with ADHD, First Aid for babies, Helping your child to manage stress & anxiety, and Children and Using Mindfulness to Manage Children's Anxiety. To find out more phone 0300 303 3464 or visit [www.wea.org.uk](http://www.wea.org.uk)



You are invited to a short Family Service at St Mary's Church to celebrate Mothering Sunday At 11:15 on Sunday 27th March



**GET YOUR KIDS ACTIVE**  
**FREE WEEKLY ACTIVITY SESSIONS**

Register them for the **Specsavers Surrey Youth Games 2022**

- FREE beginners' sessions in April & May near you
- Designed for 6-16 year olds who don't attend clubs & would like to be more active

Represent **Team Epsom & Ewell on Saturday 18 June 2022**  
FREE inclusive training sessions (see overleaf) starting w/c 25 April 2022  
Activities include judo, tennis, dance, Go TRI, football (girls only) & street basketball  
Any Questions? Contact Community Development at [cdevelopment@epsom-ewell.gov.uk](mailto:cdevelopment@epsom-ewell.gov.uk)

Scan or visit: [www.activesurrey.com/SYG](http://www.activesurrey.com/SYG)



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