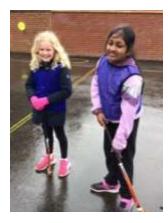


## **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

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This week year 3 made fruit salads and year 4 held a hockey tournament

## **HEAD TEACHER'S UPDATE**

As we near the end of this half term, we are already preparing for the Summer Term activities and it's been very exciting to be putting more events into the Summer calendar!

On December 11th 2020, we wrote an update in the Weekly Bulletin about <u>school trips</u>. We know that many of the children should have had trips, which did not go ahead and we are still waiting to hear from the Government and Surrey about the viability of the Year 6 trip to the Isle of Wight. In the most up to date guidance from the Government and after a phone call to the DfE this morning, we continue to be advised against all educational visits at this time. This advice will be kept under constant review and we will inform Year 6 parents of any imminent changes.

In the meantime, therefore, we are planning an <a href="Enrichment week">Enrichment week</a> in school during the week commencing 7th June. This week will link fun activities and increased, outdoor learning to the curriculum. Further details will follow. We also have plans to run sporting events in the summer and will decide on the structure of these days, once we have further Government guidance available.

A huge thank you so much for raising funds for **Chrome Books**. 34 have just arrived in school today and we are ready to distribute these across the school.

This week marked the one year anniversary since

lockdown began, on Tuesday. We had a 1 minute silence across the school for Covid Memorial Day to

remember all those, who have died in the pandemic. It is hard to comprehend just how much our lives have changed over this year and how challenging it has been for so many individuals and families. It is so good to see a

For today's Celebration Assembly Click here

National Day of

Reflection

light at the end of the tunnel and the road map out of lockdown. Have a great weekend.

Mrs Day

#### YEAR 6 ARRIVING IN LARGE GROUPS

Today we spoke to Year 6 about not arriving to school in LARGE groups it has been reported to us, that the alley way between WFIS and WFJS is getting blocked at the end as the children all wait for each other on route and arrive together. This has become a safety issue for other pedestrians and we have asked the children to arrive in groups **no larger than three**. Please can you reinforce this message for their own and all other pedestrians' safety. Thank you for your support.

#### **END OF TERM EARLY COLLECTION TIMES**

Leaving school on Thursday 1st April the collection times are as follows:

Year 3	1.15pm
Year 4	1.20pm
Year 5	1.25pm
Year 6	1.30pm

#### HOMEWORK POLICY UNDER REVIEW

Homework is currently under review to become paperless and utilise Google Classroom. Please be patient, while we are considering our way forward with regard to homework. Updates will be given in the new Summer Term.

## LIMITED CLUBS TO RETURN - ALL IN YEAR GROUPS BUBBLES

Some limited clubs which will be in Year Group bubbles will return after Easter:-

• Athletics: All years on Mondays

• Football: All years on Friday

• Virtual Craft club: All year groups

Lunchtime Book Club: All year groups

• **Hip Hop**: Year 3 on Tuesdays

Before school Judo: Year 6 Mondays & Year 4

Table 2019

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Tuesdays

• French lunchtime – All year groups

If you signed up for a club last term then your place will be rolled over. Most clubs still have spaces expect for Year 6 book club, which is currently full. Club letters have been sent out separately or click here to go our club pages to download the forms. Please contact the club leaders directly with any enquiries, their contact details will be found on the club letter.

#### **CHANGE TO MEAL PREFERENCE**

A reminder to parents that if they wish to change their meal preference for their child next term, please can they email me **by Monday 29**<sup>th</sup> **March**. csewell@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

#### PLEASE CHECK STATIONERY OVER EASTER

Please can you check your child's pencil case over the school holidays to ensure it contains everything they need including a **white board pen & glue stick**. We are hoping to open our school lunchtime stationery shop in year group bubbles after Easter.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR SELF ISOLATION

Parents and carers of children under 15 years of age, who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment of £500. Applications for the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme are made via the local authority in which the parent or carer resides. Click here for more information.

# MRS CRAWFORD END OF TERM OF OFFICE AS GOVERNOR

This week, after 7 years of dedicated service as a Governor of Wallace Fields Junior School, Mrs Patricia Crawford is stepping down from her term of office.

Many of you will know Tricia well. She had two children in WFJS and decided to become a Governor in



order to give back to the School by means of thanks for everything it provided for them and their education. Tricia has served most recently as Vice-Chair to first, Dr Andy Norman and now to me as Chair. She has focussed her time working very closely with the SLT and Sendco looking at the work WFJS does for children with special educational needs and those on Pupil Premium.

Tricia attended so many courses and took pride learning in these areas. This has allowed her to fully engage with the School and present detailed reports to the Governing Body. Tricia's extremely kind and understand personality along with a tremendous sense of humour has been a perfect match in her time as a Governor. She is always available for a call and gives very objective views and guidance on every matter accordingly. Tricia has grasped the essence of being a Governor and what it requires. She has helped mentor new Governors and promote our work both with the school and to the wider community.

We thank her for her tremendous work and wish her and her family all the very best. We will always welcome Tricia and look forward to seeing her at future events at WEJS when we are able!

#### **CHAIR OF GOVERNOR INTERVIEW**

On Wednesday 23rd March the school council were able to present their own questions to Mr Mollet, the Chair of WFJS school governors, in a live Zoom meeting. They were absolutely brilliant asking very important and interesting questions to discover the role and responsibilities of our school governors. We would like to thank Mr Mollet for giving up his time to meet them and answer all their questions with much detail. Please click here to see the full interview. The school council will be presenting this to their year groups next week.



#### JOB ADVERT: SURREY CYCLE TRAINING

Want to work locally? Like to be outdoors? Interested in enthusing groups of young learners? Then Surrey County Council would like to hear from you about joining their Cycle Training Team. Most of our training is delivered by Instructors working in pairs at schools, both playground and on-the-road training. Click here.

# PTA

Thank you to all the families that have donated to the **second hand uniform sale**, we've raised over £150 so far. All donations can be left with Emma Ware, drop her a text on 07779590830. Also massive congratulations for the Comic Relief walk/run, £2000 raised! A truly amazing effort!

**Easyfundraising** is a quick and simple way to raise funds for the school. Please take part this Easter and the school could win £500! Follow the link: You shop. Your cause gets money. For free.



We have amalgamated the **Bingo** into one session. This is now on **Tuesday 30th March for the upper and** lower school. See the flyer below for details. It's sure to be a fun night!

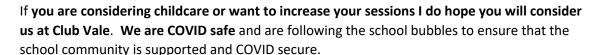
Finally we are holding a **PTA meeting on Wednesday 31st March on zoom**. Everyone is welcome, if you have any fundraising ideas or would like to get involved please join us. Link, minutes and agenda below. Have a great end of term!

Thanks the PTA.





### **ARE YOU CONSIDERING WRAPAROUND CARE?**





In order to follow the government guidelines we are **always thinking of new ways to play!** We rotate our games, carry out thorough cleaning between year groups and **get outside with a ball or other games** as much as possible. The children are enjoying **the trim trail** in their groups and we are all happy that the days are staying lighter longer! When we are indoors the children enjoy **cake making, Wii Dance competitions, arts and crafts, table tennis** and much more. We are always open to suggestions, so if your children have an requests or you have any ideas please do let us know!

Also if you would like your child to join us, don't wait, we have **an Easter Egg hunt** planned before we break up! The more the merrier!

Thank you for your support. Kind regards, **Karen & Sally** Club Vale Head Office Team 07905 394 029 clubvale@hotmail.co.uk

