

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Issue: Friday 27th May 2022

SCHOOL DATES

Date	Event
Monday 6 th	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
June	
Tuesday 7 th	8.45am – Year 6 trip medical
June	meetings
	Sweet donations for PTA fair starts
	today
	Year 6 £4 pocket money due
Wednesday 8 th	Escape Rooms – Yr 3 & 4
June	
Thursday 9th	Mufti day and bring a bottle for
June	tombola.
	Grand Opening of school library
Friday 10 th	Year 5 Science Fair – 9am-9.30am
June 2022	Cake donations for PTA fair
	Year 5 £4 pocket money due
	Jubilee Celebrations Evening for
	pupils and their families 3pm-8pm.
13 th to 17 th	Year 6 residential trip to Isle of Wight.
June	Departs 7.15am 13 th June

For the latest dates click here for calendar on website.

THIS WEEK

PLATINUM JUBILEE

On Friday 27th May, we celebrated the Queen's Jubilee with some fabulous activities including our whole school writing project, "If I was Queen for the Day." Each class decorated bunting which was hung outside for their picnic lunch and there were some fabulously decorated lunchboxes. The winning decorated lunchboxes (see below) were: Tiffany (Year 3), Stanley (Year 4), Vivien (Year 5) and Jeevan (Year 6).









VISIT FROM PRAYER AT WALLACE FIELDS (PAW)

Thank you to Noah Y (5S)'s mum, Machiko, and a member of PAW and Vicar, Fr Mark Stafford who came into school on Monday 16th May for an assembly.

YEAR 6 DISCUSS GENDER EQUALITY

Year 6 discussed the concept of gender inequality on 24th May 2022 in PSHE; they listened attentively, knew why they are learning this and asked relevant questions to deepen their understanding. Thank you to ex-parent Mrs Hernandez for helping with this session.

YEAR 4 HOOKE COURT TRIP

Well done to Year 4 for their first ever residential trip with us at Wallace Fields Juniors! Hooke Court staff commented on how enthusiastic, resilient and passionate the children were about their learning and they were the best eaters they have ever seen! We are very proud of all the children, including our team members who stayed behind and were excellent representations of Year 4 in school whilst we were away.

IMPORTANT

REMINDER INSET DAY ON 6th JUNE 2022

The school will be closed to pupils on Monday 6th June 2022.

LIBRARY GRAND OPENING

We are thrilled to announce that **on Thursday 9**th **June at 11.30am** the Mayor and Mayoress of Epsom will be opening our fabulous new library. There will be readings from children followed by a short speech and the cutting of the ribbon. Light refreshments will be served in the library for people who have donated £100 or more. They will receive a personal invite today. This event will be live streamed throughout the school.

JUBILEE CELEBRATION FAIR FRIDAY 10th JUNE 3.15PM UNTIL 7.30PM— BIG REVEAL



Celebrate your children and the Queens Jubilee on Friday 10th June at the Wallace Fields Junior school summer soirée HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

At 3.15pm all year groups will be singing under the willow tree so you may like to book the afternoon off work. Young siblings at Wallace Fields Infant School can be collected early at 3.05pm and can exit WFIS via the field to enter WFJS by the alley. Performances will go on until approximately 3.45pm when the children will be dismissed by their class teacher and then all families can attend the fair together. Children in Year 5 & 6 who are allowed to walk home alone will be permitted to stay on at the fair unless we are informed otherwise by an email from a parent/carer. Bring your picnic rug, picnic glasses and choose your perfect spot. Relax with a glass of Pimms or treat yourself to a cream tea whilst the children enjoy all the fun of the fair. A fabulous BBQ will be serving up burgers and hot dogs, and an ice cream van will be onsite keeping everyone cool, and a delicious selection of cakes and treats will be served along with a fully stocked bar and cafe. Wallace Fields Junior School is proud to be celebrating such a wonderful event and we look forward to welcoming everyone to join us. For any questions regarding the fair, the offer of volunteering or donating please contact the PTA jadtombs@yahoo.co.uk

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIORS NEEDS YOU!

Remember without your help and support these super events can't happen! Please <u>click here</u> to sign to help.

CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED FOR THE FAIR

We need the following contributions in the week leading up to the fair:

- **Sweet donations** from Tuesday 7th June.
- Mufti and Bottle donations on Thursday 9th June.
- Cake donations on Friday 10th June.

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A TALENT FOR ART OR CRAFTING?

If so the school along with the PTA would like to encourage any child to host a 'make and sell' table at the forthcoming celebration fair. Each table costs £10 but can be split between children if required, and all monies made are the child's own to keep. We would love to encourage their talent and their young entrepreneurial skills. If this is something your child is interested in please contact the PTA directly jadetombs@yahoo.co.uk to secure a table.

ESCAPE ROOM FOR YEAR 3 & 4

An escape room is coming to Wallace Fields Junior School for Year 3s and Year 4s on Wednesday 8th June 2022. This is an exciting opportunity to develop problem-solving skills in our maths. A huge thank you to the PTA for paying for this enriching session for Lower School! Look out on Twitter for some pictures and see who escapes in the time frame!

GUINEA PIG NAMING COMPETITION

The Google form for voting is going home over half term for homework. Deadline for votes is 8th June. The winning names will be announced at Celebration Evening on 10th June.

NO SCHOOL WHATSAPP GROUP

It has come to our notice that there is an unofficial WFJS parent WhatsApp group currently being used. It is lovely to know that parents have joined up to share ideas and points and perhaps provide a little support for each other. However, it must be made very clear that there is no official WhatsApp group and to avoid rumour and intrigue being read as fact, please use the school website, look at Twitter and the weekly bulletin to be informed factually of what is going on in and around school. The office and staff work very hard to ensure the information is up to date and correct. The bulletin contains all the key events and dates for the week ahead. Mrs Wilson does use WhatsApp occasionally to coordinate the larger sports events though this is strictly within the use of parents linked to that sports event. In addition to this, if you have a concern or worry it is much more sensible and effective to contact the class teacher or the school directly. Commenting vaguely on a social platform does not achieve any improvement so please do get in touch if you have any important issues we can help with.

DOES YOUR CHILD USE SNAPCHAT?

According to the terms of use on the app, users need to be at least 13, and to gain access, users need to add their birthday. Unfortunately, Snapchat doesn't actually verify date of birth information so it is very easy for children under 13 to sign up. As parents, you will need to take responsibility over this if you wish to protect your children. Most online websites recommend 'Snapchat OK' for teens 16 and up, mainly because of the exposure to age-inappropriate content and marketing ploys, such as quizzes, that collect data on the user.

We teach the children about safety and cyber bullying but without parents following app age guidelines it is allowing cyberbullying to occur and this has repercussions in school including damaging relationships and taking up teacher time and school resources to resolve issues from outside of school. If you have allowed your child a mobile phone please check the apps are age appropriate and put effective restrictions in place to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the children is considered before the purchase of electronic devices.

YEAR 6 REMINDERS

YEAR 6 - ISLE OF WIGHT RESIDENTIAL TRIP

Monday 13th June – Friday 17th June 2022 Please see the letter sent out earlier in the week with all final trip details but key points are as follows:-

- Tuesday 7th June £4.00 additional pocket money due.
- Tuesday 7th June 8.45am medical meetings
- Children must <u>arrive at 7.15 am</u> for a prompt departure at 7.45 am. Don't forget packed lunch (no nuts) and £5.00 pocket money in a named purse.
- Estimated time of return to school 7.00 pm.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

A reminder to to complete the following quick form indicating which secondary school your child will be attending in September if you haven't completed it already: Click here

YEAR 6 LEAVERS' BOOK

Thank you to Mrs Clarkson for all her hard work on the Leavers' Book. Mrs Clarkson still needs more photos particularly of Year 3. Please email Mrs Clarkson on **steph.clarkson@btconnect.com.**

YEAR 5 REMINDERS

YEAR 5 SCIENCE FAIR – FRIDAY 10th JUNE

We would like to invite parents/carers to come in to the Year 5 science fair on Friday 10th June 2022 9am to 10am in the school hall, where children will present their projects to the visitors. The rest of the school will get to view the fair throughout the day and other year group parents/carers will be also be able to visit the Science Fair

during the Celebration Evening. Children must remember to bring in their Science project in the morning of Friday 10^{th} June and will come in as normal for registration. Parents/carers are welcome to come into the hall from 9am via the school office to help set up (if required) ready for the science fair and look around at the other projects. We will aim for this to be finished by 10am. Children will be encouraged to bring home their Science projects at the end of celebration evening or the following Monday. If you have any questions email the class teachers by clicking here Mrs Crabb or Miss Sarjeant.

YEAR 5 - ISLE OF WIGHT RESIDENTIAL TRIP

Monday 20th June - Friday 24th June 2022

Please see the letter sent out earlier in the week with all final trip details but key points are as follows:-

- Friday 10th June £4.00 additional pocket money due.
- Wednesday 15th June at 8.45 am medical meetings
- Children must <u>arrive at 7.15 am</u> for a prompt departure at 7.45 am. Don't forget packed lunch (no nuts) and £5.00 pocket money in a named purse.
- Estimated time of return to school 6.30 pm.

YEAR 3 REMINDERS

YEAR 3 MUSIC ASSEMBLY 21st JUNE 2022

The date for the Year 3 Music assembly has been arranged for Tuesday 21st June 1.15pm-1.45pm. This event is for children who play an instrument and who would like to perform a piece to the school. Mrs Johnstone will audition performers in a music lesson a couple of weeks prior to the date to ensure they are prepared. Parents of those performing are invited to watch in the hall or virtually online. If you think your child might like to participate, please pencil the date in your diary.

KEW GARDENS TRIP – 12th JULY 2022

More information will be sent out after half term regarding the Year 3 trip to Kew Gardens. Please pay the remaining balance for the Year 3 trips; this is a voluntary contribution but without sufficient funds the trip cannot go ahead. Thank you.

SPORTS

INTERHOUSE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

We have had a fantastic week of football with the Interhouse football tournament. Points were awarded for goals, good sportsmanship, kindness and honesty. The score was very tight and blue house won.

REMINDER TO RETURN SCHOOL KITS

Please can all school team kits be returned to school as soon as possible. Please ask your child to place it in the box outside the sports shed or give it to a Year 6 sports rep. Thank you.

YEAR 3 & 4 PHYSI FUN DAY

On Friday 27th May 202 Wallace Fields Junior School hosted the Active Surrey PhysiFun event. It was a non-competitive fun activity morning. Selected Year 3 & 4 children took part and had lots of fun with the children from local schools Meadow Primary and West Ewell Primary.

DISTRICT FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Last week, on Thursday 19th May 2022, our school football squad finally got to play in a tournament at Priest Hill. We had enough players for an A and a B team and these were competing in different pools in the qualifying round. The competition was fierce and both teams had the same results - W 1, D 1, L 2, which meant they didn't qualify for the finals but had to play each other for the 5th place play-off! This created great excitement and was a fun end to what had been a tough afternoon. It was a great game and the B team beat the A team with some super teamwork finished with a superbly timed kick from Maisy. The children all played very well and showed perfect sportsmanship throughout the tournament, especially when things were not going their way. Well done everyone and thank you to all our supporters. Mrs Wilson

SPORTS MORNING - THURSDAY 7TH JULY ON THE TOP FIELD 9.30 A.M. TO 12.10 P.M.

All parents and carers are welcome to come along and watch from 9.30am. Please ensure your child wears a hat or cap if it is hot and you apply sun barrier cream before leaving home. It would be great if children could bring in a t-shirt in their house colour to wear on the day. All children must bring in a water bottle. Please do not bring snacks and drinks for your children. If you could help serve with the water bottle refill station then please email Mrs. Day at ADay@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

BOOK CLUB

Our QUESTION OF THE MONTH from the Book Monster was: 'Do you think that publishers actively market books at 'girls' and 'boys'?

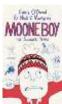
We then did a timed hunt around the library to see how many books we could find within 2 minutes with the word 'Girl' or 'Boy' in the title. We noted our findings – that the boys' pile was far bigger than the girls and looked at the cover design and colours used. We discussed the statistics showing that in general publishers believe books with a boy main character appeal to both boy and girl readers whereas books with a girl main character tend to appeal more to girl readers. We thought about whether we would be drawn to a book based on the gender of a main character or a particular style of title or cover design.

This month we can read any of the titles below which appeal: **Year 3** and **4** can read *The Boy who Accidentally Got Famous* by David Baddiel; *The Girl who Lost her Smile by* Miranda

Hart; Moone Boy by Chris O'Dowd; The Runaway Girls by Jaqueline Wilson or The Girl Savage by Katherine Rundell





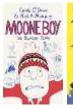




Years 5 and 6 can read *The Boy Who Lost his Face* by Louis Sachar; *Moone Boy* by Chris O'Dowd; *Brand New Boy* by David Almond; *Bodyguard – Hostage* by Chris Bradford. Plus, *The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill; *The Girl Who Walked on Air* by Emma Carroll; *Geek Girl* by Holly Smale; *The Austen Girls* by Lucy Worsley; *Front Desk* by Kelly Wang



















REMINDERS

NEXT HAPPY BAG COLLECTION - 11th JULY

How about doing a spring clean over half term and helping to raise PTA funds. We have the next Happy Bags collection due on 11th July. They collect the following items: reusable clean & dry clothes, reusable clean paired shoes, fashion accessories, belts, jewellery, handbags/bags, scarves, hats, small ornaments, gift box sets and console games. Please save any good quality unwanted school uniform for Wallace Fields second hand sales. Your bags should be brought to school by 10am on the day. Thank you for your support! For more information go to www.happyschoolbag.co.uk

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. Email info@energy-kidz.co.uk
Tel: 0333 577 1533. For more information click here.

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. Go to www.mindworks-surrey.org for a fantastic emotional wellbeing and mental health services for children.

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Our free Children and Young People's Crisis
Line is available 24 hours a day for young
people 6 years old and over, parents and
carers who are experiencing emotional
and mental health crisis.

Please call 0800 915 4644 selecting option 1



Scan me to visit our website www.mindworks-surrey.org

ACHIEVEMENTS

WELL DONE TO THE CHARITY WALKERS

Well done to Ella H and Evie D for taking part in the Marsden March alongside ex-Wallace Fields Junior School friends Lewis H, Oliver D, Rhys C, Joshua H, Callum T and Reuben C.



They walked 15 miles to raise money for the Royal Marsden hospital, where Lewis was treated for Burkitts Lymphoma in 2015. It was an incredible display of friendship seeing them walk alongside him and despite the heat, they all did brilliantly and raised over £2000! A very impressive and heartening achievement.

MEDALS WON BY WFJS GYMNAST

Jacob W 5C took part in the Under 12 Men's London Open Gymnastics Championship on Friday 13th May. He did really well and received a few medals: silver for all around, gold in rings, gold for parallel bars and silver in high bar.



COMMUNITY



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