

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Issue: Friday 3rd December 2021

SCHOOL DATES

Date	Event	Year group
Mon 6 th Dec	Children's Christmas panto 9.30-11am	All
Weds 8 th Dec	Prospective parents tour 10.15-11.30	
	Christmas lunch & Christmas Jumper with uniform	All
Thurs 9 th Dec	Macbeth Workshop	Year 6
	Hot topics meeting including OFTED with Head, Deputy and Chair of Governors 2.30pm-3.10pm	Parents
Fri 10 th Dec	Mufti day in exchange for bottle for tombola. Christmas Fair 3.30-5.00pm above playground	Parents
Mon 13 th Dec	Christmas Concert.to be streamed online for parents in Google classroom	Timing tbc

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

It is with deep regret that we announce the Christmas Carol Service and performance of Babushka at the Epsom Chapel has been cancelled. With the increased restrictions, including very reduced numbers, no audience participation or singing, protecting the best interests of families and other factors we have had to make this decision. We are still rehearsing and so much work has gone into the rehearsals and the singing that we are planning to film as much as possible and make it available to parents — we will send details on this once sorted. Thanks to Mrs Burke and all the helpers for the huge effort that has gone into this year's Christmas celebration.

We are working hard to **move the Christmas Fair into outside areas** and where indoors, well ventilated areas with restrictions on the number of people, insisting on mask wearing and social distancing. The details of these arrangements will be sent out soon.

My thanks to the new Chair of Governors Mr Chay Champness – we are very happy to have him join our team of governors and as he has stated in his update we are facing the possibility of Ofsted due to the removal of exemption of outstanding schools. The expectations for outstanding have changed and the recognition of the impact of Covid does not seem to feature highly in their reports though we are keen to show them how we all we serve the needs of the children and how well the children, teachers, staff and parents did in the remote learning times. The behaviour in school remains outstanding and the learning and progress is picking up at a pace as the children have settled into school routines fully now.

We have had very few Covid infections this term and only five staff isolating (sore throats and colds have been more of a problem).

Before we get the call for an inspection I would like to reiterate my thanks to the many parents who support the school, who send positive feedback and send their appreciation of the hard work the teachers and staff all do. If you or your child are not happy in school we have a raft of systems in place to ensure the children get support and guidance and teachers will respond to emails regarding important concerns from parents. Encourage your child to use the mood box if they feel sad or to approach an adult if they have an issue in school. If you have a complaint then please let us **know** and please do not save it up to complain to Ofsted as this will not get your problem solved. We work in harmony with you and – after getting through the lockdown together, I hope we can get through Christmas and Ofsted together too.

I am on the gate every morning and every day after school so please feel free to come and chat or ask questions you might have. If it's child specific please approach the class teacher and if you can help the school in any way such as supporting the PTA, coming into school to volunteer (subject to Covid restrictions etc.) then please let us know. You are always welcome and parents helping do something for the school is always greatly appreciated. Stay safe and have a good weekend.

Kindest regards, Steve Lee, Head Teacher

YEAR 6 SLIPPER MAKING THIS WEEK



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PANTO

On the morning of **Monday 6th December 2021,** the children will be entertained by a panto production visit to Wallace Fields Junior School of "The Adventures of Pinnocchio". The PTA have kindly organised and paid for this event, and any donations you can make towards the cost of this event will be greatly appreciated. Please send in cash in a named envelope to the class teacher.

HOT TOPICS MEETING

Parents are welcome to listen to a talk about the school, Covid and Ofsted with the Head and Deputy Head on **Thursday 9**th **December 2.30-3.10pm**. You are **welcome to come in the school hall** (wearing a mask) or see it **virtually via a link**, which we will send out before the event. It will also be an opportunity to meet the Chair of Governors and other governors.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

On 8th December all children can wear Christmas jumpers (or head dresses/tinsel) with their school uniform into school. All children will be given a Christmas cracker at lunchtime. Children will have a Christmas school dinner and if your child has packed lunches please make it Christmas themed.

YEAR 6 MACBETH WORKSHOP

On Thursday 9th December 2021 we are excited to have a Macbeth workshop come in to school, which will bring this Shakespeare play to life. In order to cover the cost of the visit we are asking for a voluntary contribution on Scopay of £9.50.

YEAR 3 D&T WEEK

Next week is Year 3's D&T week, where they will be designing and creating 3D Christmas packages. We have some materials at school, but some children may wish to bring additional materials to include on their package design if they have them at home already. Some ideas are: glitter, tissue paper, sequins, ribbon, string or felt at home, they are welcome to bring these in.

COVID PROTOCOLS

In light of the recent spread of a new Covid variant, the school has received additional measures and guidance from both Surrey County Council and the Department for Education (DfE). We have the following measures in Place; Enhanced cleaning and more frequent handwashing, increased ventilation of all classrooms. all staff continue to LFD test twice a week, and all visitors to the school must wear a mask, with regular volunteers requested to take an LFD test before attending.

POSITIVE TEST ON LATERAL FLOW

If children test positive on a lateral flow test please <a href="mailto:emailt

WRAP UP WARM

As the weather becomes colder, we recommend children wear appropriate multiple layers under their uniform and wear a jumper and sensible winter coat to school. CO2 monitors arrived from the DfE and so teachers and staff are balancing ventilation with temperature in the classrooms and learning areas. PE kit is worn on PE/Games days when pupils have games or PE lessons during the day – they can wear a t-shirt underneath, grey or black joggers to keep their legs warm, and PE jumpers on colder days.

DON'T FORGET WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure your child brings in a named water bottle as we are no longer handing out plastic cups in the school office. Label the bottles please using a permanent marker.

DECK THE HALLS – TREE LIGHTS AND SOME DECORATIONS NEEDED

Thank you to our parent volunteer and mid-day supervior Mrs Cormack and some pupil helpers for decorating the Christmas tree in the hall. We get our lovely Christmas tree at a great discount from the <u>Old Moat Garden Centre</u>. If any parents have any spare Christmas tree lights or some decorations then please drop them into the school office.



Homework Summary

	Reading at Home	English Homework	Maths Homework	Topic Homework	
Year 6	3 times per week miniumum Pages read marked in homework diary by parent/carer Questioned to check comprehension	Set Tuesday for return Thursday. 40 minutes in total and likely to include SPaG Mat	Set Wednesday for return Friday. 40 minutes in total including either: written task or	Deadline varies. 6 per te Deforestation Rainforest animals D & T Survey French	rm. Sea Turtles World War II Microbes Outdoor learning IoW Diary
Year 5	3 times per week minimum Pages read marked in homework diary by parent/carer Questioned to check comprehension Set on Monday for return Wednesday. 40 minutes including either 3 tasks from Souther Stack and/or SPaG Mat	Set Monday for return Wednesday. 40 minutes and likely to include:- 3 sessions & 2 quests	Set on Friday but deadline with vary. 4 per term. Expected to spend 40-60 minutes		
			Inspirational Children Ancient Mayans x 2 D & T Boat project Rivers topic French	Settlements Shang Dynasty x 2 Computing Project Science Fair Project	
Year 4	3 times per week Set Tue	Set Tuesday for return	Set Wednesday for	Deadline varies. 2 per term	
	minimum Pages read marked in reading record and signed off by parent/carer in	on Monday including: 10 min x 3	return Monday. 30 minutes in total including either:	Weather Space constellations Wellbeing	French Mini-beasts Developing World
Year 3	3 times per week minimum Pages read marked in reading record and signed off by parent/carer	Set Monday for return on Friday including: 10 min x 3	1 task Mothers and 10 minutes x 3 Checked weekly.	Deadline varies. 1 per term Autumn Science: Health and Wellbeing journal Spring Geography: Local area research project Summer History: Design project toc Activate Ge to Sett	

HOMEWORK AT WFJS

Please see above a summary of our homework policy, click here for the full homework policy on our website

LAST CLUB BEFORE CHRISTMAS 2021

Please ensure you have noted in your calendar when clubs finish for the Christmas break as many finish a few weeks before school term ends. Tag rugby, football club, netball team training, chess club, Spanish, Science, and Football team have now finished for Christmas. The club finish dates in date order are as follows:-

- Rockets netball 6th December
- Super Survival Squad 6th December
- Book Club 6th & 7th December
- **Judo** 7th December
- Cookery club 7th December
- **Hip Hop** 7th December
- **Dodgeball** 8th December
- French club 8th December
- **Gymnastics** 9th December
- Piano lessons finish w/e 10th December
- **Enrichment** 10th December
- Theatre Arts 10th December
- Tennis 13th & 15th December
- Arts & Crafts club 15th December

CLUBS FOR SPRING TERM

The club letters have all now gone out for the Spring Term. The clubs timetable and all letters are available to download from our website by clicking here.

- Tennis club will return when the mornings get lighter after spring half term.
- Cookery is extremely popular, so is only taking children from last term's waiting list.
- Piano lessons are also full.
- Please find attached separately the Spanish and Science club letters.

CHESS TOURNAMENT WINNERS

	YEAR 3 & 4	YEAR 5 & 6
1st	Stanley H	Noah Y
2nd	Avignav N	Zeph W
3rd	Tylor L	Thomas M
4th	Suria MR	George R
		Qutbuddin S
		Maxim L
		Lewis T

NOVEMBER AWARDS FOR TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS

- Improvement in accuracy: Henry (3M), Rosha (3M) & Ava (4G)
- Increase in coins earned: Jayden (5C), Brittany (4G), Evie B (6H)
- Improvement in Studio Speed: Willow (3M), Elizabeth (3M), Chloe (4D)
- Increase in correct answers: Jayden (5C), Krishan (5C) Qutbuddin (6H)

Blog Post - 3.12.21 by Rebecca, Lydia and Arissa

Christmas Concert!

On December 13th, we will have our *glorious* annual Christmas Concert and we are hoping to be able to share some of it virtually with you! Do not forget there will be wonderful Christmas songs. Make sure you remember all your lines!

Remember the Macbeth Workshop!
All year 6 children will be attending a
Macbeth workshop! We have heard that the

Macbeth workshop! We have heard that the actors are extremely confident and enthusiastic! This will be an amazing experience!

Christmas Fair!

We would like to remind you that there will be a very merry and joyous fair going on (which will be on the 10th of December, at 3:30-5:00pm). The fair will be open to both parents and children, we hope you can come!

Christmas lunch!

We would also like to remind you of the delicious annual Christmas dinner coming to Wallace Fields! We hope you enjoy the wonderful dinner (which will be delicious)! Also included will be Christmas crackers!

PTA & FUNDRAISING

HAVING A CHRISTMAS CLEAR OUT?

Happy bags will be back to school in mid January, so please keep any clothes, shoes and handbags in case anyone is clearing out pre or over Christmas.

READATHON WAS A HUGE SUCCESS

Thank you so much for all the fabulous reading and all those who sponsored those readers. We raised an amazing £1410!

THANKYOU TO MRS FARRAGHER

Thank you so much to Mrs Farragher for speaking to her employer Toyota and doing the paperwork, which generated a generous donation of £1500 for the library as part of the Toyota Fund for a Better Tomorrow. If you think your company has a fundraising programme then please contact Mrs Day on Deputy@Wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk and we can see how we can help you with this corporate donation.

LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

We are making amazing progress towards our new library. We have so far raised £1410 from the Readathon, £1500 from Toyota, £4,500 from Rocket Fund pledges and £650 gift aid. We are awaiting the Foyles Library application outcome. The aim of our new library is to promote enjoyment of reading.



GOOD WITH NUMBERS & ORGANISED?

Wallace Fields Junior School has an active and really friendly PTA team who are looking for a new treasurer. Our current treasurer Mrs Siddiqui is hoping to leave at Christmas and can train up a new treasurer. So if you are a whizz at excel spreadsheets and are very organised, we need you! Mrs White our School Business Manager was a former PTA Treasurer at WFIS and WFJS. Please email surayams@gmail.com for more information.

CHRISTMAS @WFJS IS COMING!

**. It's almost time for the Christmas Fair! Can you offer one hour of your time? We have organised some great stalls and would love your help to run them. Thanks from Wallace Fields Junior School PTA ** Click here.

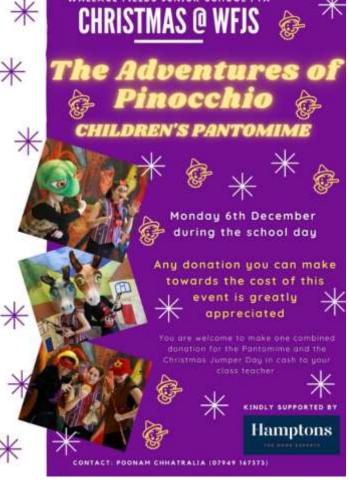
KEEP SENDING IN YOUR DONATIONS

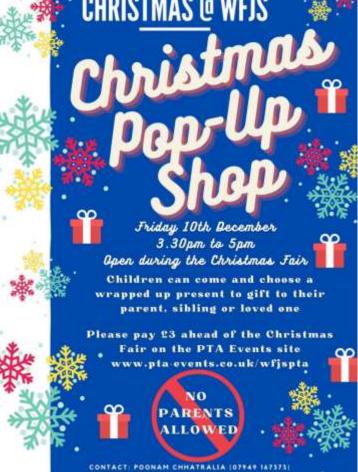
This week we need you to send in sweets and chocolates for the popular tombola stall. It is not too late to send in secret santa filled socks. On the day of the fair we need every child to bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola and these will be collected from the main school gate at drop off. Please bring lots of cakes and biscuits too for the Christmas fair café please bring to the classroom, school office or to the fair itself.

Please put all donations in the labelled bags provided in each classroom. Be careful with the fruit cakes, chocolates and biscuits. PLEASE REMEMBER - NO NUTS PLEASE

See overleaf for more information on the PTA flyers.













MON 6TH TO THURS 9TH DECEMBER 2021

SWEETS & CHOCOLATES TOMBOLA DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FAIR



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PANTO

Further details will be shared soon

WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER



Further details will be shared soon



BOTTLE TOMBOLA MUFTI EXCHANGE FOR CHRISTMAS FAIR



CAKE DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FAIR (YEARS 5&6 ONLY)



CHRISTMAS FAIR

- AFTER SCHOOL

Further details will be shared soon





WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

Christmas is coming and so is all the festive excitement.

The PTA have a whole month of fun and activities planned to raise much needed











SWEETS & CHOCOLATES TOMBOLA DONATIONS

We are collecting sweets and chocolate for this very popular stall.



PLEASE PUT ALL DORALISMS SKEARRES IN CUTYZBOOM?

THE DAY OF THE FAIR - FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER

BOTTLE TOMBOLA MUFTI EXCHANGE

Children can come to school in their festive clothes in exchange for donations of bottles for another very popular stall. Bottles will be collected at both school gates in the morning.

Year 5 & 6: Please bring cake donations for the Christmas Fair cafe to reception. Year 3 & 4: It will be your turn at the Summer Fair!

YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT – PLEASE REMEMBER ALL DONATIONS SHOULD BE NUT FREE







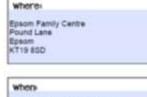






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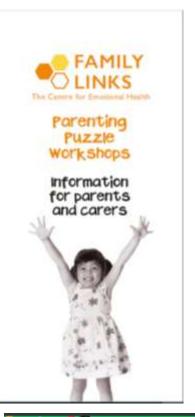
The Nurturing Programme

Parenting Puzzle

workshops











Consultation: Rosebery School Admissions Arrangements for 2023-2024

Rosebery School are consulting on our Admissions Arrangements for 2023-2024. This consultation commenced at 9am Wednesday 24 November 2021 and will close at 5pm on Friday 21 January 2022. To take part in the consultation, please email your comments to the Admissions Officer using the following email address:

admissions@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk or write to The Admissions Officer, Rosebery School, Whitehorse Drive, Epsom, Surrey KT18 7NQ. Their Admissions Arrangements for 2023-2024 can be viewed in full below by clicking on the links within the Consultation & Determined Arrangements page on Rosebery School's website.

THE EPSOM AND EWELL YOUTH HUB

If you have members of your family or young people that you know under the age of 24 who are struggling to get their careers going or find the right job, a new centre has opened in the Ashley Centre in Epsom which can help. The Epsom and Ewell Youth Hub will work directly with employers and partners to create opportunities for those young people who have been disproportionately affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. It is in the centre of the Ashley Centre opposite Boots. Just drop in.

