

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Issue: Friday 9th July 2021

HEAD's UPDATE

The recent government announcements have indicated that the bubble system is to come to an end in schools on 19th July 2021 and that many of the lockdown procedures currently in place in society are to be dropped from being legally required. The finer details for procedures in school are yet to be received from the DfE but all current procedures will remain in place for the remainder of the term as this date is only two days from the end of term. Please note that all current school arrangements will remain the same.

As the numbers of infection and the government guidance is adjusted to this, the school will put in place the relevant measures. Things may change over the summer and if there is a further lockdown or implementation of restrictions we will act accordingly. It is obviously too early to make decisions for the start of the Autumn term in September 2021 though we will email all parents and carers with details in due course.

Please note the last school term on Wednesday 21st July will have the following collection times for children:

Wednesday 21 st July 2021	
Year 3	1.20pm
Year 4	1.25pm
Year 5	1.30pm
Year 6	1.35pm

This is the last day for Year 6 and so, as usual, the Year 6 teachers will come to the gate with them. This will be an opportunity for parents and carers to speak with Year 6 teachers if you wanted to say a few words. Please do not come into school. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 9th July End of Sponsored Readathon
- 13th July Year 5 to Stemfest 1-2.30pm
- 14th July Bastille day £1 collection for PTA
- 15th July 7.30pm Mrs Ware's house PTA meeting
- 21st July End of Term after lunch.

For the latest dates click here.

THIS WEEK

YEAR 3 TRIP TO BUTSER FARM - 6th JULY.

Year 3 had a wonderful time at Butser Ancient Farm this week. They spent time exploring the Iron Age village and took part in some exciting activities to bring their learning to life. The staff at Butser Farm were so impressed with the children's behaviour and knowledge on the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. Thank you to the adults that volunteered and our amazing office staff. We are so grateful we were able to go. Thank you for everyone's support!

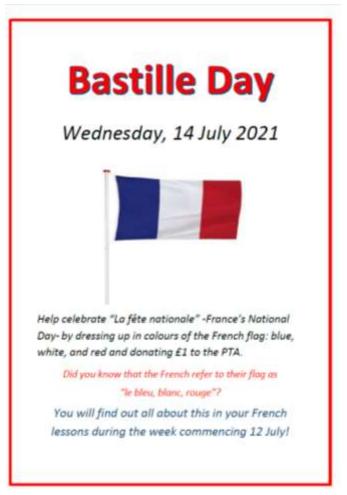
SPORTS MORNINGS

Despite a faltering start, all 4 sports "days" went very well this week with all the children doing their best for their house team and amassing thousands of points! Fun was had by all and the final scores will be posted on the website asap. Thank you to all the spectators for patiently remaining in their designated viewing areas and let's hope that next year will bring the freedom to be able to get you all closer to the action and competing in the parent and carer races!

SPONSORED READATHON

The sponsored readathon has now closed. Don't forget to send in your Sponsorship money. It can be collected by parents and donated on Scopay under "Readathon Sponsorship 2021". All money raised will go to our new library fund.

IMPORTANT



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES AND HOMEWORK REVIEW

We are currently reviewing all parent questionnaire responses including feedback on homework. There are many varied responses and requests, and we will continue to review until the end of term. We will update parents and the website at the beginning of term. Our drive continues to be as paperless as possible. We accept that homework expectations can be made clearer to parents and children, and will endeavour to achieve this at the beginning of term.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Unfortunately, the ovens were out of action in the school kitchen today, so the children were given a sandwich lunch. The engineers are looking at fixing the problem and hopefully this will be resolved quickly.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER UNIFORM

If you require your order before the start of term it must be ordered <u>no later than 2nd august</u> to avoid disappointment! Click here for the full uniform policy. All uniform with logo should be purchased online from: http://mapac.com/wallacejunior. For current 2nd hand uniform list and planned sales sign up to https://www.facebook.com/groups/wfjspta

WHAT IS MY CHILD LEARNING ABOUT?

To find out more about what your child is learning about this term, please see the Year group page on the website. The curriculum maps give a rough outline of the topics the children are covering. Click on the year group and go to the relevant page:

- Year 3
- Year 4
- Year 5
- Year 6

For more information about all areas of our curriculum click here for our Learning page.

YEAR 5 STEMFEST SCIENCE FAIR

Year 5 will be visiting the Stemfest Science Fair at Blenheim High School on Tuesday 13th July for the afternoon session. The sessions will be led by the Blenheim Science department and will provide all the children with the opportunity to sample secondary school science. There is no cost to this trip as the coach travel is being provided free of charge by Blenheim High School. We shall be leaving school by coach at 12.20pm and the children will return at 2.30pm. The children will eat their lunch as normal at school before they leave. If you have not done so already please can parents complete the permission slip by clicking here

YEAR 6

SCHOOL OF ROCK MINI-PERFORMANCE

We are determined to get the children involved in a show despite the Covid restrictions and although it won't be a full stage production this year, Year 6 are putting on a mini-performance of the musical 'School of Rock.'

We will attempt to do a <u>live stream of 'School of Rock'</u> on Wednesday 14th July at approximately 9:30am. We will provide a Google Meet code on the day. We can not guarantee the quality of the streaming (on the test run there was a bit of a lag and the picture/sound quality suffered at times) but it should give them a flavour of what the performance is like!

You can buy a professionally filmed DVD, which will be filmed on Thursday 15th July. They cost £15 or USB £19 from MR ROBERT H MARSHALL, Sort code: 50-41-02, Account code: 04612329 and Reference the CHILD'S NAME. WFJS. Order deadline by Thursday 15th July and we will deliver your copy to school by the end of term.

REQUEST FOR YEAR 6 LEAVERS SECONDHAND UNIFORM:

We have received numerous requests for another uniform sale and unfortunately have no stock left so we would welcome any donations, especially from any Year 6 parents who will no longer need the uniform. Please kindly email wfjspta@gmail.com and we can organise for where donations should be dropped off.



YEAR 6 - SHIRT SIGNING & LEAVERS BOOKS ON TUESDAY 20th JULY

Please provide your child with a permanent marker pen and a <u>second</u> clean shirt to wear over school uniform for the penultimate day of term so that they can take part in the 'tradition' of shirt signing in true Year 6 leavers style! Leavers books will also be handed out to all pupils that day and they will get the chance to get lots of signatures.

Thanks to the PTA for kindly funding the Leavers book and Mrs O'Sullivan and her team for the hours of work in creating this amazing souvenir.

PLEASE RETURN SCHOOL TEAM KITS

Please can all outstanding school team kits (netball, football, athletics, rugby) be returned to the large box in 6S (marked Returned Kits) due back today Friday 9th July. Final final deadline will be Monday morning 12th July. Any items not returned will have to be invoiced for, in order for us to replace them. Please do not send in substitute items as this makes it unfair for the next child who has to have mis-matched kit. If you are unable to find the items your child was loaned, please contact Mrs. Wilson who will let you know where you can purchase a replacement.

YEAR 6 RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS

As end of term fast approaches, please can all Year 6 parents check their child's rooms and book shelves for any Wallace Fields Junior School books and return them to school as soon as possible.

REMINDERS

GARDEN VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Do you have green fingers? Our Eco garden needs some tlc and anyone willing to help would be much appreciated. Would you be able to help one lunchtime per week with some Year 6 helpers? Or one weekend? Please contact Mrs Day Deputy@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

REMINDER TO ORDER YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM ONLINE FROM MAPAC EARLY

As the end of another school year draws to a close we just wanted to take this opportunity to remind you to place your school uniform orders early in order to ensure the clothes arrive before the start of the Autumn Term. Orders before early August to avoid disappointment.

https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/wallacejuniorKT17

PLEASE CHECK FOR HEAD LICE

Unfortunately school age children often suffer from head lice so please check your child's hair regularly. Please let us know immediately if you find your child does have head lice so that other parents can be vigilant. We have received a report of a case in Year 4, so please check your child for any signs of head lice and treat as necessary. Once treated you can bring your child into school and please ensure your child's hair is tied back.

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD?

Covid numbers are still increasing in our area. For the latest Covid figures in Surrey <u>click here</u>. 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.

CLUBS

PIANO LESSONS AVAILABLE

Piano lessons take place after school from 3.30 to 5.30pm in 30 minute slots. For further information please contact Ms Cratchley either by telephone number: 07526 602231 or

email: alisonmcratchley306@gmail.com.

CLUBS IN SEPTEMBER

We have been advised by the Department of Education that clubs can run as normal in September. Club letters will be sent out at the beginning of September.

BOOK CLUB MEETING

Book Club met this week to talk about our June reads. Several of the children had read more than one title this month. Well done to Henry M. in Year 3 who'd read both Pizazz and the follow up Pizazz vs. Perfecto. Harrison in Year 4 had devoured an inordinate number of books since our last meeting including two of the titles from last month. Sofia in Year 5 had read and enjoyed Twitch and Llama Out Loud. The Yr 6 group enjoyed compiling a 'must read books' list for the Year 5s to look at. This month I've added author Judy Blume (who many parents may have enjoyed as children). These books are her lighter, funnier 7 – 9 yr-old titles. I've also given all year groups the opportunity to read Escape the Rooms. It's is being billed as a 9 – 11 read but while I'm sure years 5 and 6 will enjoy it, as it has a large font size, the text to picture ratio is almost 60/40 and the subject matter a humourous adventure, I believe Year 4 and some of the Year 3 group are more than up to the challenge July's choices are as follows, we have just two weeks before our last meetings of the year. This month:

Year 3 are choosing to read either *The Danger Gang* by Tom Fletcher, *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume or *Escape the Rooms* by Stephen Mangan.

Year 4 can read either *SuperFudge* by Judy Blume, *The Day I Fell into a Fairy Tale* by Ben Miller or *Escape the Rooms* by Stephen Mangan

Year 5 can read any of these titles: *Wonder* by RJ Palacio, *Escape the Rooms by* Stephen Mangan or *Worst Holiday Ever by* Charlie Higson

Year 6 can choose between *When the Sky Falls* by Phil Earle, *A Kind of Spark* by Elle McNicholl or *Escape the Rooms by* Stephen Mangan



WELLBEING

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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 <u>clicking here</u>.





See above the pictures of winners on the wellbeing tree and the £300 raised has bought everything else.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

STANLEY'S FUNDRAISING ACHIEVEMENT

Stanley's mum wanted to say a big thank you to the school and staff who have supported Stanley by sponsoring him for his charity haircut. We were so impressed by his mature attitude and selfless choice to donate all 14 inches of his hair. It's been two years of talking about it, to finally getting it cut at the weekend. He was very excited to show it off at school and share how much money he's raised. His hair will be sent away, along with the £535 that he has raised.





PTA NEWS

ROLL UP, ROLL UP – SUMMER RAFFLE

We have an abundance of fabulous prizes already confirmed for the summer raffle so please do share with your families and friends to buy some tickets and win plenty of amazing prizes. Simply click on the link and specify how much you would like to purchase and we will do the virtual draw during the last week of term: https://school.plansocial.app/events/61833#

We are still super keen to receive further prizes so if you run a local business and might be able to offer a prize, please do let us know so we can include these in the draw – thank you so much in advance.

END OF TERM PTA MEETING & DRINKS

Our lovely PTA member, Emma Ware, will be hosting the final PTA meeting for this term with drinks in her garden on **Thursday 15**th **July at 7.30pm** (location near to WF school). We would love to welcome new members to the PTA to join us for the Autumn term so please do email wfjspta@gmail.com if you would like to join us and we can send you the address – hope to see you there!



Free WEA (East Surrey) Summer Courses via zoom

The WEA are offering the following free courses for anyone living in East Surrey (Tandridge, Mole Valley, Epsom & Ewell or Reigate & Banstead). Some of these courses are being delivered via zoom, others face to face. Click the link to enrol or visit www.wea.org.uk and insert the course ref. or phone 0300 303 3464 with the Course ref. to enrol by phone.

Preparing for Zoom interviews & Meetings (via zoom) Tuesday 6th July & Thursday 8th July 10am- noon pin number 40694 https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3747154

Introduction to Counselling- Taster (via zoom) Thursday 8th July 2-4pm https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3746760

Helping your Child to Manage Stress & Anxiety (face to face) Thursday 8th & 15th July 12.45pm- 2.45pm. The Bridge Youth Centre, Clare Crescent, Leatherhead https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3746948

<u>Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults (via zoom) Tuesday July 13th 10am- 12.30pm https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3747241</u>

Supporting Children with ADHD (via zoom) Tuesday 13th & 20th July 10am-noon https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3747247

1st Aid for Babies & Children (via zoom) Monday 12th July 10am- 1pm https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3747248

1st Aid for Adults (via zoom) Wednesday 14th July 10am-1pm https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3747750

Introduction to Mentoring Taster (via zoom)Thursday 15th July 10am-noon https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3746771

Find work in the NHS- (via zoom) Monday 19th July 10am- noon https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3747251







