



# Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

19th July 2024



## DATES NEXT WEEK

- **Monday 22nd July 2024**
  - Year 6 Leavers' Disco 4.30pm -5.30pm
  - Deadline for Art Festival entries
- **Tuesday 23rd July 2024**
  - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - Parents welcome 9.00am - 10.00am
  - End of day for Summer break **Year 5 and 6** 1.25pm
  - End of day for Summer break at **Year 3 and 4** 1.30pm
- **School Holidays**
- **Monday 2nd September 2024** - INSET day closed to pupils. 1.30pm - 3.30pm Parents drop in Medication meetings for New Intake.
- **Tuesday 3rd September 2024** - INSET day closed to pupils. 1.30pm - 3.30pm Parents drop in Medication meetings for New Intake.
- **Wednesday 4th September 2024** - Term starts

## KEY DATES FOR NEXT TERM

| WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL   |                     |   |
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| KEY DATES FOR 2024/2025  |                     |   |
| <small>* correct as of 19.07.24. Please check our website for latest dates</small> |                     |   |
| Monday   | 2nd September 2024  | INSET DAY                                     |
| Tuesday  | 3rd September 2024  | INSET DAY                                     |
| Wednesday  | 4th September 2024  | Pupils Return to School - Autumn Term         |
| Thursday   | 5th September 2024  | 3.40pm Y3 Welcome Meeting                     |
| Friday   | 6th September 2024  | 9.30am Helping Hands Meeting (SL)             |
| Monday   | 9th September 2024  | Individual/Sibling School Photos              |
| Wednesday  | 11th September 2024 | 3.40pm Y5 Welcome Meeting                     |
| Thursday   | 12th September 2024 | 3.40pm Y6 Welcome Meeting                     |
| Friday   | 13th September 2024 | 3.40pm Y4 Welcome Meeting                     |
| Wednesday  | 18th September 2024 | Year 6 Football Tournament Epsom College (AM) |
| Thursday   | 26th September 2024 | 9.30am Home Start Parenting Workshop          |
| Monday   | 30th September 2024 | Nasal Flu Spray                               |
| Thursday   | 3rd October 2024    | Year 5 River Trip                             |
| Wednesday  | 9th October 2024    | 2pm Y3 Tea Party                              |
| Thursday   | 10th October 2024   | 8.30am Happy Bag Collection                   |
| Thursday   | 10th October 2024   | 2pm Y4 Tea Party                              |
| Thursday   | 10th October 2024   | Year 5 Back Up River Trip                     |
| Friday   | 11th October 2024   | PTA Event - Bingo Night                       |
| Wednesday  | 16th October 2024   | 2pm Y6 Tea Party                              |
| Thursday   | 17th October 2024   | 2pm Y5 Tea Party                              |

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| <b>Monday-Friday</b> | <b>28th Oct - 1st Nov 2024</b>      | <b>Half Term</b>                                 |
| <b>Monday</b>        | <b>4th November 2024</b>            | <b>Pupils Return to School</b>                   |
| Monday               | 4th November 2024                   | Y6 Macbeth Workshop                              |
| Sunday               | 10th November 2024                  | PTA Event - Fireworks Night                      |
| Monday               | 11th November 2024                  | Parents Evening- Face to Face                    |
| Tuesday              | 12th November 2024                  | Parents Evening - Virtual                        |
| Friday               | 15th November 2024                  | Wellbeing Day                                    |
| Monday               | 16th December 2024                  | Evening Carol Concert - Epsom College            |
| Wednesday            | 18th December 2024                  | Luncheon Carol Singing in the Park (Choir)       |
| Friday               | 20th December 2024                  | 1.30pm End of Term                               |
|                      | <b>21st Dec 2024 - 5th Jan 2025</b> | <b>Winter Break</b>                              |
| Monday               | 6th January 2025                    | Pupils Return to School - Spring Term            |
| <b>Monday-Friday</b> | <b>17th - 21st February 2025</b>    | <b>Half Term</b>                                 |
| <b>Monday</b>        | <b>24th February 2025</b>           | <b>INSET DAY</b>                                 |
| Tuesday              | 25th February 2025                  | Pupils Return to School                          |
| Monday               | 3rd - 7th March 2025                | World Book Week                                  |
| Thursday             | 6th March 2025                      | World Book Day (Dress up)                        |
| Monday-Friday        | 17th - 21st March 2025              | Whole School British Science Week                |
| Wednesday-Thursday   | 19th - 20th March 2025              | Year 4 Trip to Upton Court Residential (1 Night) |
| Friday               | 21st March 2025                     | Whole School Maths Day                           |
| Monday-Friday        | 24th-28th March 2025                | Scholastic Book Fair                             |
| Monday               | 24th March 2025                     | Parents Evening- Face to Face                    |

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| Tuesday                | 25th March                         | Parents Evening- Virtual                         |
| Thursday               | 27th March 2025                    | Year 3 Day Trip Butser Farm                      |
| Friday                 | 28th March 2025                    | Wellbeing Day                                    |
| Friday                 | 4th April 2025                     | 1.30pm End of Term                               |
|                        | <b>7th April - 21st April 2025</b> | <b>Easter Break</b>                              |
| Tuesday                | 22nd April 2025                    | Pupils Return to School - Summer Term            |
| Tuesday - Friday       | 29th April - 2nd May 2025          | Year 5 PGL Marchants Hill Residential (3 Nights) |
| Tuesday                | 29th April 2025                    | Year 4 Wonder Dome Visit (in School)             |
| <b>Monday</b>          | <b>5th May 2025</b>                | <b>May Bank Holiday</b>                          |
| Monday - Thursday      | 12th - 15th May 2025               | SATS Week  |
| Friday                 | 16th May 2025                      | Year 6 Fun Day                                   |
| Monday-Friday          | 19th - 23rd May 2025               | Year 6 Bikeability Week 1                        |
| Monday-Friday          | 19th-23rd May 2025                 | Wellbeing Week                                   |
| Tuesday                | 20th May 2025                      | Year Group Photos                                |
| Friday                 | 23rd May 2025                      | Wellbeing Day                                    |
| <b>Monday - Friday</b> | <b>26th - 30th May 2025</b>        | <b>Half Term</b>                                 |
| Monday                 | 2nd June 2025                      | Pupils Return to School                          |
| Monday -Friday         | 2nd -6th June 2025                 | Year 6 Bikeability Week 2                        |
| Friday                 | 6th June 2025                      | Year 3 Day Trip to Wisely                        |
| Monday-Friday          | 9th-13th June 2025                 | Year 6 French Trip Residential (4 Nights) TBC    |
| Thursday               | 19th June 2025                     | Diversity Day (Children to dress up)             |
| Wednesday              | 25th June 2025                     | Sports Day 1                                     |
| Thursday               | 26th June 2025                     | Sports Day 2 (Backup) Bottle Tombola (Dress Up)  |

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| Friday          | 27th June 2025        | Celebration Evening             |
| Monday          | 14th July 2025        | Year 5 Science Fair             |
| Thursday        | 17th July 2025        | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly        |
| <b>Thursday</b> | <b>17th July 2025</b> | <b>Leavers' Assembly Year 6</b> |
| Friday          | 18th July 2025        | Last Day of Term 1.30pm Finish  |
| Monday          | 21st July 2025        | INSET 4                         |
| Tuesday         | 22nd July 2025        | INSET 5                         |

[Click here<sup>1</sup> for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar](#)

[Click Here<sup>2</sup> for Upcoming Events](#)

## HEAD'S UPDATE

**Design and Technology & Science Fair: Well done to Year 5** who have had a very busy week this week. Firstly they were creating their Ming Dynasty artefacts and designing an alarm system to protect them. Some innovative ideas and great teamwork as these pieces of work really came together well. Secondly, they had an amazing Science Fair where they brought their own research, ideas and presentation skills to the fore in order to present scientific ideas. Thank you to the parents who came along to the science fair (and helped with the projects) and well done to Year 5 who yet again have created projects of a very high quality and made a tremendous effort.

**Year 6 - France:** A fabulous week for the Year 6 on their residential trip to Ambleteuse, France which included a vast array of activities, trips, visits and games. They will come back more confident, feeling more independent and most importantly have gained a plethora of lifelong memories to treasure in the future. My thanks go to the staff who made this trip possible and planned it, led the groups, gave up their time and were on call constantly to ensure the trip went well - Mrs Day, Mrs Elliot, Miss Gavin, Mrs Fowler, Mrs Cornell, Mrs Curran, Mrs White and Ms Gough. They will be exhausted but happy that the trip went well and the children had a such a great time.

**Thanks - to a Volunteer:** One of our long serving volunteers, Mr Leedham, is leaving and so I would like to say a huge thank you on behalf of the school for his input, his patience and his understanding - he has been hearing children read for a long while and has made a huge difference. If you have time

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<sup>1</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/calendar>

<sup>2</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/events>

to volunteer a regular slot of time then come and help us out - come to my 'Helping Hands' meeting in September for details. It is very rewarding thing to do and it comes with an enormous sense of wellbeing from helping out your local school.

**End of Term:** We are almost at the end of term with children breaking up on Tuesday 23rd July at 1.25pm/1.30pm. This is the last newsletter before the summer. We will see the Year 3, 4 and 5 back in their new classes on Wednesday 4th September 2024. I wish all our Year 6 the very best in their future schools and hope that the skills, confidence and learning at Wallace Fields Juniors has really set them up effectively for life in secondary school. The Year 3,4 and 5 will meet their new teachers on Monday afternoon and will be hearing about expectations, trips, class reader books and the way things work in their new class. Thanks to the PTA for all their excellent fundraising efforts this year and they have made lots of projects and resourcing possible. Thanks to all the parents and carers for their active support, kind words and positive feedback - that all makes a huge difference to morale in school. It leaves me to say have a very restful summer and we look forward to seeing most of you back again in the autumn term.

### Fantastic National Test Results (SATs)

The results are through for the National Tests (SATs) and they are absolutely fantastic. I am so impressed with the Year 6 who showed wonderful levels of attainment following their four years of education here at Wallace Fields Junior School. The consistency of practice, high expectations, intervention, maths groups, adult support and well led core subjects have resulted in very high levels of children at standard and high results for greater depth. The children have worked hard and did their very best. As you know I like the school focus to be on safety and happiness first within school and when children feel safe and happy they learn much more effectively. The children have become familiar with testing and application of their knowledge and this is very evident in the results. These tests are sent away and marked externally (not seen and practiced like the KS1 tests) so the results are very reliable and externally accredited. My congratulations go to the children for doing their best - they are well above the national average scores. My thanks also to the whole teaching team and teaching staff who input learning at every level, in every year group, to ensure the children reach their full potential. The Year 6 children get their individual results with their reports on Monday. Here is a summary of the Wallace Fields Juniors results:

National Test Results (SATs)

| Subject                         | Wallace Fields Juniors         |                              | National Average at Standard |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                 | at standard                    | Greater Depth                | 2024<br>2023                 |
| Reading (Comprehension)         | 94.1%<br>2024<br>92.6%<br>2023 | 54.4%<br>2024<br>47%<br>2023 | 74%<br>73%                   |
| Writing                         | 82.3%<br>82.4%                 | 39.7%<br>28%                 | 72%<br>71%                   |
| Maths                           | 94.1%<br>86.7%                 | 42.6%<br>42.6%               | 73%<br>71%                   |
| Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling | 91.1%<br>91.1%                 | 55.8%<br>47%                 | 72%<br>72%                   |

### Exciting Summer Building Projects

There are a number of big projects going on over the summer, these include redesigning the old computer suite since the children no longer visit a room for computer studies and complete their technical work on Chromebooks in the classroom. This project includes fitting a dividing wall in the computer suite to create a sensory classroom and a meeting room. This will provide two learning spaces for phonics and intervention. The second big project is the installation of an all-weather

surface beyond the activity trail. This all-weather surface is the culmination of four years of fundraising and we will use some school funds to enable completion.

### Smartphone Ban

Please remember as part of our safeguarding and wellbeing we are banning smartphones from September 2024 so please do not purchase a smartphone in anticipation of next year as they will not be permitted in school. Any smartphones brought in will be confiscated and parents/carers must collect them from the main office. Only feature phones or 'dumb phones' will be permitted.

### PTA Fundraising

Thank you to the PTA for all their huge efforts this year which makes a huge difference to our school. Please see their flyer below with a summary of all they have achieved this year.

**WFJS PTA**  
19th July 2024

Get all tickets here  
[www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta)

**What an incredible end of year!**  
**Here are the profits from our last few events:**

|                                   |                               |                             |                           |                             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Leavers Production</b><br>£380 | <b>Silent Auction</b><br>£962 | <b>Summer Fair</b><br>£3900 | <b>Lolly Sale</b><br>£220 | <b>Uniform Sale</b><br>£513 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|

We want to say a HUGE thank you to everyone for supporting our events, helping at a stall, serving a drink, selling some uniform, a lolly or just helping push sales in our WhatsApp groups. Together we added another £14,200 profit to our PTA pot which has allowed us to spend £35,000 this year! Here is just some of our spending:

**Thank you!**

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| <b>All Weather Pitch</b><br>£15,000 | <b>Chinese Dance Workshop</b><br>£425 | <b>Outdoor Classroom</b><br>£14,960 | <b>Playground Bench</b><br>£457           | <b>Geography Project</b><br>£700     |                                   |
| <b>Air Con Units</b><br>£487        | <b>Drum Kits</b><br>£592              | <b>Science Resources</b><br>£500    | <b>Christmas Tree + Resources</b><br>£363 | <b>Reading Cloud License</b><br>£550 | <b>Climbing Wall Holds</b><br>£77 |
| <b>Display Resources</b><br>£450    | <b>Sing Up Subscription</b><br>£285   | <b>Art Project</b><br>£320          |   |                                      |                                   |

**GET IN TOUCH: Got an idea or want to get involved? Drop us a line**

✉ [wfjspta@gmail.com](mailto:wfjspta@gmail.com) **f** [facebook.com/groups/wfjsp](https://www.facebook.com/groups/wfjsp)

## THIS WEEK

### Stars of the Week and Believe Awards



1 - This week's Stars of the Week - this comes with a certificate, generous round of applause and 5 house points. The values of the school in BELIEVE are shared as to why each child got the award. Interestingly an all girl line up this week. Well done to you all and keep it up.

## Head Teacher's Awards – Summer 2024

### June & July 2024

| Year 3      | Year 4   | Year 5    |
|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Annabelle H | Kieran L | Connor H  |
| William F   | Hana G   | Sam S     |
| Layla B     | Ollie J  | Henry C   |
| Hayman L    | Violet D | Josbon DC |
|             |          | Tony K    |
|             |          | Jayden E  |

### French Trip

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1812891431352299784>

### Science Fair

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1812781165557747800>

### Maths Celebrations

We had a fantastic TTRS live competition **Thursday morning 18th July 2024** with over **100** children in Year 3, 4 and 5 competing! All the children were amazing and it was a really nice way to end another extremely successful year with our times table fluency.



### Lower School Girls' Football in House Match

To finish off a great year of girls' football, Mr Dowdeswell, with help from Abi White ran two in-house girls football matches on Thursday 18th July 2024 for Year 3 and Year 4. They really demonstrated



how much they have come on over the year and we look forward to the girls continuing to play when and improve as they join Year 4 & Year 5. Thank you to the parents who came to support them.

## NEXT WEEK

### Early Finish Last Day of Term - Tuesday 23rd July 2024

As always at the end of every term (not half terms), the children will be finishing early.

- Upper School (Year 5 and Year 6) finish at 1.25pm
- Lower School (Year 3 and Year 4) finish at 1.30pm on the last day.

Over the school break the school email and phone will not be manned. School Office closes at 1.30pm on 23rd July 2024 and will return on the INSET day Monday 2nd September 2024.

There are INSET days on Monday 2nd September 2024 and Tuesday 3rd September 2024 when staff are in school for training and not children.

Parents drop in Medication meetings for new intake on the INSET days from 1.30pm -3.30pm.

Autumn Term Starts Wednesday 4th September 2024.

### Art Festival - Entry deadline 22nd July 2024

The annual Bourne Hall inter-schools' Art Exhibition is coming! Each child from the school will be given the opportunity to create a piece of art, on a piece of A3 card. Any medium may be used. The theme for the competition is 'What is Art?' Children may use their creativity to create a piece centred around this theme.

Please hand all entries in to **Mrs Curran by the 22nd July 2024**. The winners will be announced in the first week that we are back at school and their artwork will be displayed at Bourne Hall at the end of September for one week.

## NEXT TERM

### Welcome Meetings and Tea Parties

We look forward to welcoming lots of parents/carers into school for a series of welcome meetings and tea parties.

We will be holding a Welcome Meeting for each year group, which will give you the opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and here about the trips and other exciting events that will be happening over the year. If you are unable to attend we hope to stream them as well as publish hand-outs on our website. There are no childcare facilities available, so please bring something for your child to do quietly or arrange alternative childcare. **The welcome meeting dates are as follows:-**

- **Year 3** - Thursday 5th September 2024 - 3.40pm
- **Year 4** - Friday 13th September 2024 - 3.40pm
- **Year 5** - Wednesday 11th September 2024 - 3.40pm
- **Year 6** - Thursday 12th September 2024 - 3.40pm

Later in the term we hold a **Year group tea party**. The child will serve you tea and cake, and there will be another opportunity to meet the teachers and to mingle with other parents. The tea party dates are as follows:-

- **Year 3** - Wednesday 9th October 2024 - 2.00pm
- **Year 4** - Thursday 10th October 2024 - 2.00pm
- **Year 5** - Wednesday 16th October 2024 - 2.00pm
- **Year 6** - Thursday 17th October 2024 - 2.00pm

### Helping Hands - Interested in Volunteering at School?

We love having parents into school to help out and if you are able to commit to a regular time, no matter how short, then this could be just the thing for you. We are particularly pleased to welcome parents to our "Helping Hands" scheme. This offers an opportunity to work with the children in class (not your own child's class) such as reading as well as offering other kinds of practical support. **On Friday 6th September 9.30am-10.00am** we will be holding a Helping Hands Meeting with Mr Lee where you can hear about the jobs and projects where we need parent help. In the meantime, if you would like to find out more then please contact the school office on [Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk)<sup>3</sup>

### Home Start Parenting Workshop - Anxious Children Support

Does your child seem worried or anxious? Would you like some tips on how to spot anxiety and support your child with worries? Come and meet with our Primary Mental Health Worker Rowan at Wallace Fields Junior School on 26th September 09:30-10:30 for an introductory workshop/coffee morning.

If you are interested in attending please complete the Google form by clicking here<sup>4</sup>.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### Class and School Library Book Amnesty

Children must return class and school library books by **Monday 22nd July at the latest**. Please search around your house and return all school library and school class library books to the School Office or School Library! School library books have a plastic cover and author on the spine and class library books have a Wallace Fields Junior School stamp inside the cover and red tape on the spine.

Other years can take up to two books for the summer break and should return any books they have read before the break.

### PG Films Permission Opt-Out

At the very end of term, class teachers may decide to watch a film in class as a special end of term activity. Please email the school office tonight, Friday 19th July 2024 if you DO NOT give permission for your child to watch a PG film. Your child will be given alternative opportunities for that session. Thank you.

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<sup>3</sup><mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

<sup>4</sup><https://forms.gle/6482DZTrVpRB7g33A>

## Bags for Bringing Artwork and Belongings Home

On the last few days of the term please bring remind your child to bring in an extra bag / carrier bag to take home any artwork or belongings at the end of term as the teachers start preparing their classrooms for the next group of children.

## Remember to Order Uniform Early

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# IMPORTANT!

**IF YOU REQUIRE YOUR UNIFORM BEFORE THE START OF TERM, IT MUST BE ORDERED NO LATER THAN 2ND AUGUST TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!**

We will do everything we can to get orders out quickly but please be aware that if the current Covid restrictions change, this could lead to delays in dispatch and delivery.

This message is particularly important for **NEW STARTERS**, as they have no existing uniform to wear!



**Thank you and have a great summer!**

*The Mapac Team*

Place your order at:  
[www.mapac.com/education/parents](http://www.mapac.com/education/parents)

For updates on orders,  
please email [tracking@mapac.net](mailto:tracking@mapac.net)

If for any reason you are unhappy with your order,  
please email [customerservice@mapac.net](mailto:customerservice@mapac.net)



## YEAR 3

### Headphones Needed for Year 3 on Monday 21st July 2024

If your child has headphones with a slim round jack and you are happy for them to bring them into school, please could they do so on Monday for their end of term fun Chromebook Music lesson.



## YEAR 4

### Clarinet, Trumpet and Saxophone Group Lessons

Having done so well with their recorder playing, Mrs Johnson wanted to offer keen musicians the opportunity to continue their instrumental learning and have been in contact with Surrey Arts who are able to offer individual or group lessons on the clarinet, saxophone or trumpet after school (at Wallace Fields Juniors) next year. A flyer was emailed to all children earlier in the week. If you have any questions, please either email Mrs Johnstone or telephone Surrey Arts on 01483 519303

### Year 4 Moving into Year 5 Permission to Walk Home

Planning for the Year 4 starting in Year 5 from September. Year 5 and 6 can walk home alone with permission from their parents/carers during the Autumn and Summer term. From October half term until February half term it is too dark so they will have to be collected. **If your child is going into Year 5 in September 2024** and you would like to give your permission then please complete the Google form below. If your child is **going into Year 6** then any permission you gave this year will roll forward automatically to next school year.

The link is now open. Click here.<sup>5</sup>

## YEAR 6

### Year 6 Al Fresco Garden Party Disco

Year 6 al fresco Garden Party Disco will be held on **Monday 22nd July 2024 at 4.30pm-5.30pm**. Children will be picked up as usual and then go home to get changed before returning to school to party to DJ Findlay and DJ Gough on the decks.

Please click on the Google form below to confirm your child will be attending the school disco. Children must be collected promptly at the end of the disco by parents/carers and **cannot** walk home alone. If your child is to be collected by another parent/carer please indicate on the Google form or email/call the School Office before 3.30pm on Monday 22nd July 2024.

The event is free but we do need your permission for your child to take part. Please click on the link below.

<https://forms.gle/ExNo8vVrafprYaTc6>

### Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - Parents Welcome

We appreciate that the Year 6 parents want to be part of their children leaving Wallace Fields Junior School and Ms Gough has big plans for the Leavers' Assembly when we would love all the parents to come in to school. There will not be a dry eye in the house so bring your tissues! Please put **Tuesday 23rd July 2024 at 9.00am-10.00am** in your diaries.

### Leavers' Yearbook and Shirt Signing

Please provide your child with a permanent marker pen and a second clean shirt to wear over their school uniform on Monday 22nd July 2024. Year 6 shirt signing is a popular tradition, the shirt becomes a special keepsake of their memories and their friends over the school years. Children get an opportunity to collect autographs and signatures from their peers and staff in school. Years later,

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<sup>5</sup><https://forms.gle/iAbjQ5eX1s2URL6M8>

when they look back on their shirts, it brings nostalgia and fondness of the moments spent with people who made them laugh, helped them learn and were there with them on their exciting journey.

Thank you to Mrs Marginson and other parent volunteers who have spent many hours compiling and editing the Leavers' Yearbook. They will be handing out their leavers' yearbook on Tuesday 23rd June and will get opportunities to have these signed.


## Year 6 School Books Amnesty

Year 6 children must return class reading books and school library books by Monday 22nd July 2024. Please search around your house and return all school reading corner books and school library books to the school office or school library. School library books have a plastic cover and author on the spine and class library books all have a Wallace Fields Junior School stamp inside the cover and red tape label on the spine

## CLUBS

### SIGN UP NOW FOR CLUBS STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Please sign up now for clubs starting in September 2024. See clubs timetable below. Click here<sup>6</sup> for our website clubs page will also have all the club letters.

 **CLUBS TIMETABLE AUTUMN TERM 2024** v 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
# clubs are "turn up and join in" clubs; and \* clubs are selected children only.  
[Click here](#) for more information at the clubs on Wallace Fields Junior School website.

|           | BEFORE SCHOOL   | LUNCHTIME  | AFTER SCHOOL  |   |
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| Monday    | <b>TENNIS</b><br>All years<br>7.45-8.40am<br>Playground<br>Tennisball (€) | <b>LIBRARY DROP-IN #</b><br>Alternate weeks for Lower & Upper School<br>12.30-1pm FREE             | <b>CHOIR #</b><br>Yr 5 & 6<br>12.10-12.40<br>Music Room<br>Ja Johnstone<br>FREE                 | <b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS CLUB</b><br>All year groups<br>3.30-4.30<br>Room TBC<br>Ms S White (€) |
|           |   | <b>NEW TO ENGLISH FUN CLUB *</b><br>Room tbc<br>12.30-1pm<br>Ms Hallett (FREE)                     |   | <b>CODE CAMP</b><br>Years 3 & 4<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Group Room<br>Code camp (€)               |
|           |   |  |   | <b>PIANO 1 on 1 lessons</b> 30 min Variable times<br>Music Room Mrs Cratchley (€)           |
| Tuesday   | <b>JUDO</b><br>All years<br>8.00 – 8.40am<br>Hall<br>Mr Kennedy (€)       | <b>BOOK CLUB</b><br>Monthly<br>Yr 6 12.10-12.40<br>Yr 3 12.40-13.10<br>Library<br>Mrs Clarkson (€) | <b>SCIENCE CLUB</b><br>Year 4<br>Room TBC<br>12.30- 13.00pm<br>Mrs Hernandez (€)                | <b>HIP HOP</b><br>All years<br>3.30-4.30pm (Hall)<br>Mrs Johnson (€)                        |
|           |   | <b>FRENCH</b><br>Yr 5 12.10-12.40<br>Yr 3&4 12.40-13.10<br>Eco Area<br>Mrs Dodd FREE               | <b>GARDENING CLUB#</b><br>Yr 6&5 12.10-12.40<br>Yr 3&4 12.40-13.10<br>Eco Area<br>Mrs Dodd FREE | <b>FOOTBALL</b><br>Years 3&4<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Field (€)                                    |
|           |   |  |   | <b>TAG Rugby</b><br>Year 5&6<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Field<br>Mr Sellars (€)                      |
|           |   |  |   | <b>COOKERY</b><br>All years<br>3.30-4.30pm (Canteen)<br>Jayne McGee (€)                     |
|           |   |  |   | <b>PIANO 1 on 1 lessons</b> 30 min Variable times<br>Red Room Mrs Cratchley (€)             |
| Wednesday | <b>JUDO</b><br>All years<br>8.00 – 8.40am<br>Hall<br>Mr Kennedy (€)       | <b>BOOK CLUB</b><br>Monthly<br>Yr 5 12.10-12.40<br>Yr 4 12.40-13.10<br>Library<br>Mrs Clarkson (€) | <b>CHOIR #</b><br>Yr 3 & 4<br>12.35-13.00<br>Music Room<br>Mrs Johnstone                        | <b>CHESS</b><br>All Years<br>3.30 – 4.30pm<br>Music Room<br>Mrs Casey (€)                   |
|           |   |  |   | <b>GYMNASTICS</b><br>All years<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Hall<br>CSellars(€)                        |
|           |   |  |   | <b>CODE CAMP</b><br>Years 5 & 6<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Group Room<br>Code camp (€)               |
|           |   |  |   | <b>FOOTBALL</b><br>Years 5 & 6<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Field (€)                                  |
|           |   |  |   | <b>PIANO 1 on 1 lessons</b> 30 min Variable times<br>Music Room Mrs Cratchley (€)           |
| Thursday  |   | <b>SPANISH</b><br>Yr 5&6 12.10-12.40pm<br>Yr 3& 4 12.40-1.10pm<br>Group Room (€)<br>Mrs Hernandez  |   | <b>SCIENCE CLUB</b><br>Year 6<br>3.20-4.20pm<br>Group Room<br>(€) Mrs Hernandez             |
|           |   |  |   | <b>NETBALL TEAM *</b><br>Year 6 selected<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Playground<br>FREE CSellars      |
|           |   |  |   | <b>THEATRE ARTS</b><br>All years<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Music Room<br>Mrs Kennedy (€)            |
| Friday    | <b>DODGEBALL</b><br>All years<br>8.00 – 8.40am<br>Hall<br>CSellars(€)     | <b>BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE CLUB #</b><br>Language Club<br>Group Room<br>Mr Lee (FREE)                | <b>GIRLS FOOTBALL</b><br>Yr 3 & 4<br>12.30- 13.10pm<br>Field<br>Dowdeswell (FREE)               | <b>THEATRE ARTS</b><br>All years<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Hall<br>Mrs Kennedy (€)                  |
|           |   |  |   | <b>PIANO 1 on 1</b> 30 min Variable times - Music Room<br>Mrs Cratchley (€)                 |
|           |   |  |   | <b>FOOTBALL TEAM *</b><br>Selected Yr 5&6<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Field (FREE)                    |
|           |   |  |   | <b>GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM*</b><br>Selected Yr 5&6<br>3.30-4.30pm<br>Field (FREE)               |

## Sign up Now for Clubs for September

At Wallace Fields Junior School we offer a huge range of extra curricula activities. The club letters were sent out in last week's newsletter but please click here<sup>7</sup> to see the club letters on our web page.

<sup>6</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/clubs>

<sup>7</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/>

Please contact the club leaders directly if you have any questions. The clubs will be on a "first come first served basis".

### Message from Theatre Arts Club Leader

The Theatre Arts Club leader Mrs Kennedy has asked me to let you know that she may not be able to respond to applications for her club until later in the Summer. Apologies for the delay.

### Sign up Now for Book Club

We have now also received the club letter for the school Book Club. Please see the details below.

Dear Parent/Carer

I'm delighted to let you know that Wallace Fields Book Club will be continuing in 2024/25.

The club takes place *once a month* at lunch time (Tuesdays Yrs 3 and 6 and Wednesdays Yrs 4 and 5) and aims to encourage your child to enjoy reading for pleasure, introducing them to new authors and genres they wouldn't normally choose and widening their appreciation of books and stories. We pick from a choice of titles each month and come prepared to talk about what we've read over the past 4 weeks.

We also have a monthly question from the Book Monster which fosters discussion on wider topics such as 'Should you ever watch the movie before reading the book?' and 'Which book characters would you most like to have over for supper?' We do a literary-based quiz or game at the end of each term, with prizes and at the end of the academic year children receive certificates to celebrate their reading.

Many of the children who attend book club do so throughout their four years. I have added some testimonials from Year 6 parents below.

The fee per term is £20 per child. You then source the books from a store or library. The wonderful WFJS school library is constantly being updated and so often has copies.

If your child is already a member and would like to continue, or if should you wish to sign them up for the first time, **please contact me at [steph.clarkson@btconnect.com](mailto:steph.clarkson@btconnect.com) so I can add them to my register and send you the full schedule.**

The fee of £20 per term per child should be paid to the account below to secure your child's place. Please put your child's name and Year group in the reference:

Stephanie Clarkson  
Acc: 86035002  
Sort: 50-30-10

Kind regards,  
Steph Clarkson

TESTIMONIALS FROM HAPPY PARENTS...

*Just wanted to say a big thank you for all the book clubs. I'm so happy my son has stuck with it until the end. It's been really good for him and he's learned so much about the types of books he enjoys to read and that it's ok to not like something and to try new things. It's been so good for us both to spend time together in book shops choosing and reading his choices from your list. I will be encouraging his sister to join your group when she starts year 3 in September.*  
YEAR 6 PARENT

*Thank you so much for the certificate, my daughter couldn't wait to tell me all about her session today. She's always excited to tell me, and as I usually get very little detail of school out of her, I have always loved listening to her share. She has absolutely loved book club. When she first joined, she was a very capable reader, but she struggled to find her next book and she tended to stick to the same genres. Now, a few years on, she is a voracious reader, willing to try anything. Thank you for opening her eyes to the possibilities. And thank you for your fab suggestions - I have chosen a few to share with my younger child and with my class (I am a teacher).*  
YEAR 6 PARENT

*My year 6 daughter has really loved your book club over the years. You have introduced her to new authors and a great variety of stories that have supported her in her mind growth, that she would not have found by herself. Thank you so much.*  
YEAR 6 PARENT

*My son was quite emotional yesterday when he came home from school. He did not know it was his last ever book club session at the Junior School and was a little bit sad. I wanted to thank you for everything you have been doing for him and the other students. Very luckily my youngest one will join your club next year since she will be in year 3 in September (one leaving and one coming!). She loves reading too!*  
YEAR 6 PARENT

## Sign Up for Excellent Wrap Around Care - JAG!

JAG offers either end of school until 6pm or after clubs (4.30pm) until 6pm. If you do not know whether your child has got into a club of their choice, JAG have recommended you book the full session and you can amend booking (up to 7 days before start of term) to the 4.30pm until 6pm slot on the days their child has a club.

Please remember that JAG will take on children after their club at school (usually around 4.30pm) - Kidsquest (at WFI) do not pick up after clubs so you must book JAG if you want your children to take part in after school clubs followed by wraparound care up to 6pm.



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# Holiday Clubs

## FREE DAY PASS!

Book online using promotional code **FREE DAY PASS**. Only one offer or discount code can be used per booking. Each voucher code can only be used once per customer & valid on only holiday club bookings.

### What to expect at a JAG Holiday Club?

- ✓ Something for every child, with a wide range of fun-filled activities
- ✓ All activities delivered by expert play leaders in a safe, fun environment
- ✓ Confidence-building by learning new skills and trying new things under expert guidance
- ✓ Positive interactions that nurture friendship and social awareness
- ✓ Enhanced wellbeing through a focus on happiness, mindfulness, kindness and being active

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## REMINDERS & MORE INFORMATION

### Uniform Reminder - No Holiday Bracelets and Non-Stud Earrings

**Some** children have been seen with holiday bracelets and non-stud earrings – these are not permitted. Please click here<sup>8</sup> to see the full uniform policy.

### Lost Property - Mountains of Jumpers Again!

Do encourage your children to come and check the box in the quad for any lost property. Any lost property left at the end of term will be recycled or get stored for future PTA Previously Owned Uniform Sales. If you label it with names - specially tasked prefects return the lost property items to their owners. If you do not and it is not claimed then it is throw away or sold at the second hand uniform sale by the PTA.

### Have Your Contact Details Changed Recently?

**Make sure your details are up to date!** Please contact the office if your contact details have changed this is **extremely important** to ensure we are able to contact you in an emergency. Email Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk<sup>9</sup> with your updated contact details. Thank you

### Ear Piercing - Get It Done Over the Summer Break

With the summer holidays approaching it is important to remind you that if you are thinking of getting your child's ears pierced the beginning of the summer break is the best time. This will give enough time for the ears to heal and for the removal of earrings in the autumn term.

Pupils are only allowed pierced gold/silver stud earrings and they cannot be worn during P.E. If your child is unable to remove their earrings they will not be allowed to participate in P.E. or games – we do not allow pupils to cover earrings with plasters. We recommend that children do not wear their earrings on the day they have P.E. or Games.

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<sup>8</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/uniform>

<sup>9</sup><mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

# SAFEGUARDING



Epsom, Ewell  
& Banstead  
Including  
Mole Valley North



Feeling like parenting has become a battle?  
It doesn't have to be.

We are running a 4-week  
**Parenting Puzzle**  
workshop for Parents and Carers

This free 4-week course looks at topics including communication, praise and criticism, boundaries, dealing with stress and calming down, choices and consequences, and much more.

**Where?**

Epsom Methodist Church  
11-13 Ashley Road  
EPSOM  
KT18 5AQ

**When?**

Tuesday 17th September to  
Tuesday 8th October 2024  
10am - 12pm

**How do I book?**

Please email one of the organisers below to reserve your place for all 4 weeks,  
as the sessions fit together like a puzzle

Cara Golding  
(EPSOM METHODIST CHURCH)  
emcnursery@hotmail.co.uk

Lesley Lane  
(HOME-START EPSOM, EWELL & BANSTEAD)  
lesley.lane@hseeb.org

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Ewell Summer event FREE HOLIDAY CINEMA

Sunday  
4th  
August



Sunday  
11th  
August

Sunday  
18th  
August



Doors open at 2:30pm for 3:00pm  
St Mary's Church, London Road, Ewell  
KT17 2AY.

Free admission

Calling all parents, grandparents, and carers:  
Do you have a few hours a week to support  
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Email: [tracey.cobb@hseeb.org.uk](mailto:tracey.cobb@hseeb.org.uk)  
Phone: 07804 519623  
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## Join JAG Holiday Clubs this Summer at Nonsuch Primary School and Westcroft Leisure Centre!

JAG promises a summer filled with laughter, learning, and lots of fun! With themed weeks aligning with their core multi-activity programme and weekly special events (please note that special event days incur additional costs), children won't want to miss out on making unforgettable memories.

- ✓ Ages 4-11 years (ages 5-11 at leisure centres)
- ✓ Keep active & improve wellbeing
- ✓ Unleash Creativity
- ✓ Make memories to last a lifetime
- ✓ Activities focused on building skills and aiding development
- ✓ Explore a variety of themed interests
- ✓ Weekly special events

View JAG's summer timetable here<sup>10</sup>.

**Exclusive Offer: Use code NEARBY15 for 15% off at checkout - Offer ends at midnight on Monday, 1st July! Secure your child(ren)'s spot now via <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/make-a-booking/>**

### Venue Details:

Find out more and book today via:

Nonsuch Primary School<sup>11</sup>

Westcroft Leisure Centre<sup>12</sup>

For more information, explore: [👉 What's On This Summer<sup>13</sup>](#) [👉 Parent Support<sup>14</sup>](#) [👉 Our Locations<sup>15</sup>](#) [👉 Our Story<sup>16</sup>](#) [👉 New to JAG<sup>17</sup>](#)

*Unlck a **Weekly Booking Discount** if you book a full week (Mon-Fri) - automatically applied at checkout!*

Contact JAG at [hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk](mailto:hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk)<sup>18</sup> or give their friendly customer care team a call today at 0333 577 1533.

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<sup>10</sup><https://a.storyblok.com/f/166376/x/ee6eed7f50/jag-summer-timetables.pdf>

<sup>11</sup><https://junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/nonsuch-primary-school>

<sup>12</sup><https://junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/westcroft-leisure-centre/>

<sup>13</sup><https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/holiday-clubs/whats-on/>

<sup>14</sup><https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/>

<sup>15</sup><https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/>

<sup>16</sup><https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/our-story/>

<sup>17</sup><https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/new-to-jag/>

<sup>18</sup><mailto:hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk>




**JAG's Summer Holiday Clubs offer:**

- ✓ Core multi-activity programme
- ✓ Weekly themed activities
- ✓ Weekly special events
- ✓ Skill enhancing activities

**BOOK NOW!** 

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**Other Summer Holiday Clubs**



**Get creative with tech this summer!**



**Minecraft Engineers** **Spark Coding** **Design Camp**

29th - 30th July 2024  Wallace Fields Junior School  Ages 7-13

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2 - <https://www.epsomcollege.org.uk/whats-on/summer-camps/>

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Well Done to Jasmin

Mum and dad want to express how proud they are of Jasmin for all the hard work and effort she has put into her swimming and theatre this term culminating in a fantastic performance of the Wizard of Oz, great enjoyment and progress in swimming. Jasmin had a chance in assembly this morning to talk about her multiple roles in the theatre production and her fabulous 20 metre swimming certificate. Well done Jasmin!



## LOCAL COMMUNITY

### Langley Vale Wood Event on Thursday 15th August

With end of term approaching, we would like to invite your school staff, pupils and their families to our event at Langley Vale Wood on Thursday 15th August. The Woodland Trust are celebrating 10 years at Langley Vale Wood and are inviting the local community to join us to celebrate. This free event will have lots of activities for the whole family, making it an excellent day out in the school holidays.

From bug hunting and nature crafts to guided walks and self-lead trails, there will be something for everyone to enjoy. There will also be refreshments available to purchase from the Tiger Lilly coffee bus and an ice cream van. There is parking on site (parking charges apply) and there will be toilets available on the day too.

You can find out more and RSVP [HERE](#)<sup>19</sup>.

Please see below a poster.

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<sup>19</sup><https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/langley-vale-wood-10th-birthday-celebration-tickets-940429398647>

# Langley Vale Wood 10th Birthday Celebration

Thu 15 August  
11am - 3pm  
Free Entry

Join us for an afternoon of activities  
and fun for all the family

Nature Activities   Bug Hunting   History Trail  
Refreshments   Guided Walks

Langley Vale Wood, Headley Road, Ashted KT18 6BZ  
What3Words: ///jaws.will.trees  
Parking available on site (parking charges apply)

Scan to book your free ticket or visit:  
<https://bit.ly/3VQcUm5>

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## Wildlife Aid Open Weekend - 3rd & 4th August 2024

Save The Date: 3rd & 4th Aug 2024 Wildlife Aid Open Weekend 10am - 5pm. Every year, they host their annual summer Open Weekend. This is their biggest fundraising event of the year, with all proceeds going towards the care and rehabilitation of the thousands of animal emergencies they respond to. For More Details Click Link <https://www.wildlifeaid.org.uk/wildlife-open-weekend>

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**Wildlife Aid**  
FOUNDATION

Randalls Road, Leatherhead, KT22 0AL  
[www.wildlifeaid.org.uk](http://www.wildlifeaid.org.uk)  
Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th August  
10am-5pm

**OPEN WEEKEND**

## Epsom and Ewell Ghost Writers and Poetry Competition

On **September 14th 2024** Bourne Hall Museum will be celebrating some of the famous writers connected to the local area. All have passed hence ghost writers.

There will be four re-enactors playing the writers details of which are below. To run alongside the event, **we are holding a poetry competition for local children to write poems on what they like about the local area or a local place.**



These will be judged by the poet Ana Mclaughlin in the following age groups 5-8, 9-12, and 13-16. If there is the demand, we could add and further older age group. The top three in each group will win a signed copy of her new anthology *Heroes and Villains*, which will be presented by her at a special event in October at Bourne Hall. Poems should be emailed to me at [dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk](mailto:dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk)<sup>20</sup> or dropped off at the Bourne hall reception desk by the 14 September.

**Mrs Beeton** the Victorian author of the *Book of Household Management*, wrote one of the most famous cookery books ever published. The first instalment, published in 1861, was an immediate success, selling over 60,000 copies in its first year and nearly two million by 1868. She lived in Epsom for many years before her marriage.

**Robert Fabian** was a police officer, who rose to the rank of Detective Superintendent in the Metropolitan Police. After retirement from the force in 1949, he worked as crime writer. His work was dramatised in the 1954-6 BBC drama series *Fabian of the Yard* based on his book of the same name centred on New Scotland Yard. He lived locally and died in Epsom Hospital in 1978.

**Samuel Pepys** had the best-documented life of his time, not just because he was a key figure running the Royal Navy, but because the nine-year period covered by his diary gives a unique insight into his daily actions and innermost thoughts. During this period Pepys visited our area on six occasions: once in 1663, four times in 1665 and once in 1667. He spent time in Ewell and Nonsuch Palace. He makes it clear that he was already well-acquainted with the area: a cousin lived at Ashted and Samuel spent time there as a boy.

**Charles Dickens**, the greatest novelist of the Victorian period, created some of literature's best-known fictional character. His novels and short stories enjoyed unprecedented popularity during his lifetime and are still widely read today. Dickens visited and wrote about the Derby, and it even appears in one of his books. He once said that you could fire a cannon ball down Epsom High Street 364 days of the year and it would hit no one, but take out half of England on the 365th – Derby Day.

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## Bourne Hall History Events

### Living History Day Saturday 20 July Programme of events 10am to 4pm

10am The day begins.

10.30am The Roman Army march down Ewell Village from the Grove to Bourne Hall Park. This will be followed by a talk on Roman religion and a burial conducted by a Roman priest.



11.00am Roman soldiers show off the awesome fire-power of their siege weapons.



12am The Roman Army carry out drill for the children.

1.30pm The Vikings fight: learn how to survive against a berserker.



3pm A Roman gladiator battles an Iron Age warrior.

4pm The Vikings fight and die. The End.

## Update for the Bourne Hall Living History Day on 20<sup>th</sup> July 10am to 5pm



You can chat to our Stone Age visitors about their lives, and you can see from the picture they will come dressed for the English summer!

The Roman living history group Britannia will arrive bringing with them a portable ballista, one of the siege machines you can see in action at the beginning of the film *Gladiator* together with a small catapult or onager. These will be fired during the day as part of their display. Britannia are veterans of the film's battle scene, and you may recognise some of them from the *Horrible Histories* programmes and the recent Sky TV series *Britannia*. During the day they will be training children in Roman army drill and fighting skills. A battle of the champions will also take place between an Iron Age warrior and the emperor's gladiators.



## The Festival of Archaeology at Bourne Hall July 15-27 2024



Prehistory Exhibition  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
15 July to 31 December 2024



Visit Bourne Hall Museum's exhibition on life in the area during prehistory. Items on display from the Stone Age to the Iron Age telling how folk came to its spring to hunt and drink and how during the Bronze Age the spring became a place where the gods lived, and gifts were thrown in as offerings. On display will be the bones of an aurochs, a now extinct ancestor of modern cattle. This one died some 3500 years ago and was buried on Epsom Downs. Aurochs survived well into modern times, the last known individual dying in 1627. The size of the aurochs bulls varied between 155 cm and 180 cm, depending on the local circumstances. The size of cows was between 135 cm and 155 cm. Bulls were significantly larger than cows. The body shape of an aurochs was different from many developed cattle breeds today.

Nonsuch Park and Palace Walk  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Wednesday 17 July 10.30 to 12.30pm  
Tuesday 23 July 1.30pm to 3pm



Enjoy a guided walk around Nonsuch Park and explore the history of the beautiful landscape. See where the original palace once stood and how it dominated the local area.

Hear stories of luxurious palaces, ambitious royalty, a lost church, and lingering ghosts. Listen to tales of battles and discover how warfare has touched this ancient landscape. Discover which famous television presenter's ancestors used to live here and how a Queen once came to tea.

Meet me on the lawn opposite the café in Nonsuch Mansion House SM3 8AP. Nearest car park entry is from Cheam Road, A232.

Walks cost £6 per person and are limited to 20 people per walk. Places must be booked with David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF.

Tel: 020 8394 1734 Email: [dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk](mailto:dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk)

Ewell Grove Talk  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Thursday 18 July 7.30pm to 8.30pm  
At Bourne Hall, £6 per person

Ewell Grove hides a long history from the Bronze Age through the Romans up to modern times. Traces of the Iron Age and Roman settlement have been found there and it became the site of Ewell's Saxon cemetery. Its secret tunnels and the traces of Nonsuch Palace in its boundary wall add to its mystery.



Living History Day  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Saturday 20 July 10am to 5pm



**Vikings the Bjarnarfolk**

They will bring a tent and an encampment, with a range of items to show you the weapons, helmets, leather working and other crafts. Find out if they had horns on their helmets or not. You will be able to chat with them about these things and discover what life was like for them. They will have shields that the children can stand with to get photos taken and they have some boards with the Viking runes on so that children can learn to spell out their names.

**Prehistory Butser village.**

Meet two folk who will travel from the deep time of the Stone Age to show you all you need to know to survive. To use the natural resources around you to become successful hunter gatherers and how they settled down to become the first farmers.

Living History Day Bourne Hall Park, Spring Street  
Ewell, KT17 8LF **FREE EVENT**  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Saturday 20 July 10am to 5pm



#### Romans

##### Britannia Group of re-enactors

Meet the new Roman governor of Britain as he stops over in Ewell, protected by members of the Praetorian Guard, to make an offering to the sacred springs. The governor has arrived in Ewell coming up from the South Coast on the new road built as a route to London. His encampment contains many of his entourage; they will show visitors the Roman way of life, food, trades, and crafts. The governor will be looking to recruit men for the army, while gladiators will fight to the death to entertain him, hoping to win a chance to fight in the imperial city. Roman Ewell was a stopping-off point on this road where folk could rest, eat, and stay the night. They could also make an offering of a coin or brooch in the sacred spring or leave a larger offering in one of the sacred shafts dug deep in the chalk just outside the settlement. Each shaft was sealed with the bones of three dogs to protect them.

Living History Day  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Saturday 20 July 10am to 5pm

#### Meet the Victorian Archaeologists

Join Discover History at the Dawn of Archaeology. For centuries the upper classes have collected curios and souvenirs taken from the Grand Tour... a section of Roman mosaic or a piece of Ancient Egyptian jewellery. However, behind the scenes, a few antiquarians and collectors were developing the science of what would become modern archaeology. Learn about the early techniques and the tools used, and help our team sort some real archaeology. Try your hand at 'marking out', will you succeed in matching the fragments of real archaeology with some replica pieces?



Living History Day  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Saturday 20 July 10am to 5pm



**Find Out on our finds table.**

Have you found that coin in your garden and wondered if it was Roman or something more modern – or if that that bit of flint may just be a prehistoric flint tool? That piece of pot is it Roman, Medieval, Tudor, or Victorian? And is that bit of metal old, perhaps part of a WW2 anti-aircraft shell. Bring what you have found along to our finds table, and we will do our best to identify it.

**Handling Table**

Have the chance to handle finds and pottery from Roman to Victorian times with the Museum's handling collection.

**Coin & Brass Rubbing**

20 and 24 July to 27 July

In Bourne Hall Museum

Try your hand at coin rubbing and brass rubbing – a free event.

Bourne Hall Library will be hosting lots of archaeology craft making activities.



Cave painting  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Wednesday 24 July 11am to 12pm and  
2pm to 3pm



In the deep time of prehistory early men crawled down into the darkest caves and used light from primitive candles to paint pictures of themselves and the animals they hunted. They left behind a vivid record of their way of life and some clues of what they believed in. Discover how and why these paintings were created.

Then by flickering light try to create your own cave painting in our very own 'caves'

Cost £6 per child. Two identical sessions will be run, please book to reserve your place; maximum 16 children.

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Bronze Age Metal Smelting in Bourne Hall Park  
Part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology  
Thursday 25 July 12pm and 2pm  
By Dr James Dilly

The Bronze Age is a key time in the history of Ewell, when spring takes on new meaning as a place where the gods lived, sending bubbling water from their world into this. The gods had to be kept on side in those uncertain times and gifts were thrown into the spring, including bright bronze axes. The living history display is filled with replica objects from prehistory and James is on-hand (dressed in accurate Bronze Age clothing of course!) to explain the archaeology behind it all. This display will be especially valuable for children who are studying prehistory in school. James is an accomplished and charismatic television performer, combining down-to-earth language with academic rigour and formidable practical skills. He will be smelting bronze axes in front of you very eye just as they did in the Bronze Age.



## Make a Mammoth



Make a mammoth in the children's craft session in Bourne Hall Library  
Saturday 27 11am to 11.45am cost £1



For more details of these events or to find out about Bourne Hall Museum please contact David Brooks [dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk](mailto:dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk)  
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