



Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

22nd November 2024



DATES NEXT WEEK

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- **Thursday 28th November** -
 - **Netball team** will be playing St Clements during their usual scheduled netball training from 3.15pm-4.30pm. Parents are welcome to watch.
 - **Christmas Mufti Day** in exchange for colourful items for the PTA Christmas hampers.
- **Friday 29th November** - Girls' Tag Rugby Tournament at Auriol School. Collect from school at 12.40pm for 1.30pm.

KEY CHRISTMAS DATES

- **Wednesday 11th December 2024** - **Pantomime** 'A Christmas Carol' during the day for children (thank you to the PTA)
- **Thursday 12th December 2024** - PTA Christmas **Fun Day** during school day
- **Friday 13th December 2024** - PTA Christmas **Fun Day** during school day for children
- **Monday 16th December 2024**
 - Rehearsal for **Carol Concert** at Epsom College - 9.00am -12.00pm. Parents volunteers needed to help teachers walk with children
 - **Carol Concert** at Epsom College 6.00pm -8.00pm - **We hope all are able to attend**
- **Wednesday 18th December 2024** - Carol **Singing at the Café** Alexandra Park 12.45am - **Parents Welcome**
- **Thursday 19th December 2024** - Children's **Christmas Lunch** and children can wear Christmas jumper or head dress with uniform (this is not a mufti day)
- **Friday 20th December 2024** - Finish for winter break at 1.25pm/1.30pm

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HEAD'S UPDATE

Data Protection Training

This week has been full of many challenges and the focus for improvement has been GDPR training and data protection updates. The school's digital protection officer came in to deliver specific training for the teachers and the office team. Next week the support staff will be getting training. In these times of electronic data storage and transfer, it is vital that we keep the school data safe and protect the school from cyber attacks. The training has been very helpful and staff have acted immediately on any possible shortfalls we have spotted. If you ever receive an email or reports which are intended for another parent please let us know immediately.

Contacting Teachers

I have had a number of parents on the gate, asking how to contact teachers. There are a few ways of contacting a teacher - the children in lower school have a reading record (yellow book) which can be used as a communication book for school - it also contains a mini timetable and their log in details for various programs. The upper school have a homework diary (small blue book) which can be used similarly. These books can be used for non emergency day to day contact. If you want to email a teacher then write to office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk³ and your email will be passed on.

Thank you for limiting your emails - I mentioned this at the Tea Parties- writing long emails from home or work may seem cathartic however it is very time consuming and takes up a vast amount of teacher time to read and reply. If you can keep your emails as succinct as possible, then we would be very grateful. Teachers are not required to reply within a certain time and they will reply as soon as possible - not always by email, it may be in their homework diary or a quick phone call. Please take time to consider that the teacher has many other children to plan, teach, assess and accommodate expectations for SEND and challenge - emails are not a priority.

If you have an urgent matter please telephone the school. If it is not urgent, please send a succinct email and the main reason for your contact. Pastoral issues, friendship issues and behaviour concerns can only be dealt with if the children tell their teachers and the duty staff as soon as they feel unhappy or unsafe. Please encourage your child to seek an adult in school immediately and not to wait until they go home and the incident is faded from memory and reinterpretation of what really happened can cause confusion.

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As part of our safeguarding the children post in the 'Mood Box' every day - this ensures an adult is available to talk to them by lunchtime, if they feel unsafe or distressed about something (it may be a school issue or something upsetting them at home). Ask your child about the Mood Box if you are unaware, as it is completed by every child and they know how to use this very effective safeguarding and wellbeing system.

THIS WEEK

Stars of the Week



This week's Stars of the Week are above. Only one per class is nominated in our Celebration Assembly every Friday. They get a certificate and five house points for showing one or more of the school BELIEVE values -**B**rilliance, **E**nthusiasm, **L**earning, **I**nspiration, **E**quality, **V**ision and **E**very pupil matters.

NEXT WEEK and COMING UP

CHRISTMAS MUFTI DAY

THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

MUFTI DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR
COLOURFUL ITEMS TO ADD TO OUR
CHRISTMAS HAMPERS - PLEASE STICK
TO YOUR YEAR GROUP COLOURS

YEAR 3 - RED
YEAR 4 - GREEN
YEAR 5 - WHITE
YEAR 6 - PURPLE

PLEASE RETURN ALL RAFFLE
TICKETS AND MONEY TO
CLASS TEACHERS OF THE
SCHOOL OFFICE BY
THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER



CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

The Christmas colour hampers are back! Tickets will go out in school bags on Monday and we will be collecting donations shortly. Colours for this year:

YEAR 3 - RED YEAR 5 - WHITE
YEAR 4 - GREEN YEAR 6 - PURPLE



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PTA Are Getting Ready for Christmas

WFJS PTA

Friday 15th November 2024

FIREWORK NIGHT WAS FAB!

Thanks to our huge army of helpers, our sponsors, the head teachers, Joe Findlay for helping us with facilities at the Junior School and everyone who came along to support the event!

We hope a good time was had by all

PROFITS TBC

When doing your Christmas shopping online please remember to use Easy Fundraising! Sign up for free and add to your browser to gift free money direct to our school! www.easyfundraising.org.uk

COLOURFUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS ARE BACK!

YEAR 3 - RED YEAR 5 - WHITE
YEAR 4 - GREEN YEAR 6 - PURPLE

Muffin day will take place on **Thursday 28th November** where the children can wear their own clothes in exchange for a colourful hamper item.

Year group reps will be collating all items and creating fabulous hampers. Raffle tickets will be going out in the children's bags next week.

PTA AGM

Join us at our AGM via Zoom on Tuesday 10th December at 8pm
Link to be confirmed

GET IN TOUCH: Got an idea or want to get involved? Drop us a line
wfspta@gmail.com facebook.com/groups/wfspta

CHRISTMAS FUN DAY

HOSTED IN SCHOOL THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL DAY

THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER - LOWER SCHOOL

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER - UPPER SCHOOL

INFLATABLES

CHRISTMAS GAMES

ARTS AND CRAFTS

HOT CHOCOLATE

& CHRISTMAS SNACKS

ALL INCLUDED IN ONE TICKET

TO ENSURE YOUR
CHILD'S ENTRY, TICKETS
ARE BOOKABLE NOW:

PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/WFJSPTA

**£8
Entry**

CHRISTMAS PANTO COURTESY
OF THE WFJS PTA

The Cat's Grin Theatre Company presents

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

WEDNESDAY 11TH
DECEMBER

DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

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Sports Fixtures

We have some more exciting fixtures coming up.

- **Monday 25th November 2024** - Selected Girls' football players have been invited to attend a tournament at Priest Hill. Parents are welcome to come along to support the team. We will walk the children here from Priest Hill and can be collected from there following the match or we can walk them back to school.
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Donations for the Outdoor Classroom Needed

If you have any unwanted items in the list please donate them to the school for use in the outdoor classroom. We are looking for donations of unwanted **Rubik's cubes, fidget toys, playing cards, card games, board games and even arts and crafts items** for use in the outdoor classroom. Thank you.

The Sports Crew organise different activities and events that take place on different days in the outdoor classroom. Your donations will help with those activities and make break times fun.

The Christmas Carol Concert - Keep the Date Free

Please keep the evening of **Monday 16th December 2024 from 6.15pm - 8.00pm** free for the Wallace Fields Junior School Christmas concert which will be held in the at Epsom College Chapel. It is the one opportunity in the year for all the children and their parents/carers to come together so it would be wonderful if everyone gets involved in this annual landmark event.

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have emailed the School Office to volunteer to walk from school to Epsom College and back for the rehearsal on the morning of Monday 16th December 2024. It is much appreciated. Thank you.

YEAR 6

Year 6 Materials for D & T Week - 9th December 2024

Year 6 children will need fabric to make slippers. Any old clothing e.g. fleeces, dressing gowns, sweatshirts etc would be absolutely fine but we appreciate some children may want specific fabric. The children will need about **1m x 1m** (it does depend on their foot size). If you want to check, measure over the highest point of your child's foot and add 3 cm, and the length of their foot + 4cm - we need enough fabric for 4 of those.

Also, if anyone has **any old vinyl flooring or old carpet underlay**- it would be much appreciated! We used to raid local flooring shops for their sample packs- though in recent years they understandably have been unable to provide this for us. This forms the sole of the slipper.

Thank you, Ms Gough and Miss Hill Year 6 Class Teachers

Recommended Reading List for Year 6

Many parents were asking for a recommended reading list for Year 6 books at parents' evening last week and this list is regularly updated.

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-6-pupils-ks2-age-10-11/>



Year 6 Height and Weight Check - Sign up by 2nd December 2024

Earlier this week we sent to you a letter from the School Nurse team regarding their visit to our school on **Tuesday 10th December 2024** for height and weight check of all children in Year 6. Please complete the electronic consent form with either Yes or No on the online portal by going to <https://www.cfhschilddevelopment.co.uk/Form/NCMP>. Enter your school's unique code: - **SR125298**. Deadline is 2nd December 2024.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Help raise money for our school with a few clicks this Christmas!

All you need to do is sign up to Easy Fundraising and add the widget to your desktop.

Then your computer will recognise all stores that participate and all you need to do is click the yellow button (shown below) and the PTA is sent the dosh!

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Next INSET Day is Monday 24th February 2024

The school is closed as this is a staff training day and a key point midyear where a full review is carried out. This day does not coincide with Wallace Fields Infants school as their days are

determined by their trust and their head teacher. Whilst we understand the possible inconvenience for parents who have children at both schools, we strongly believe that INSET days are required over the year in order to facilitate school improvement. We regret this disparity, however good school practice and effective training must be maintained over the year and not clustered at the end of the year. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Please Check for Class and School Library Books at Home

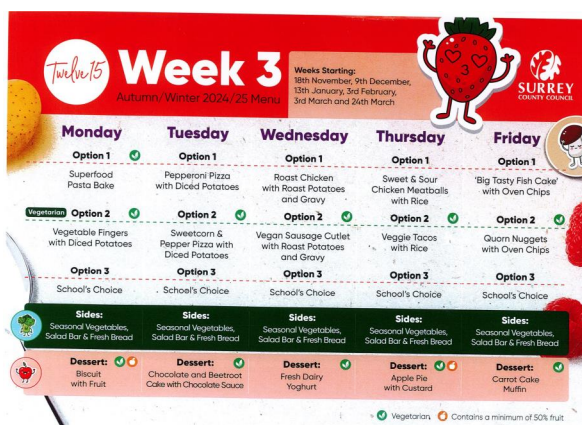
Please search around your house and return any school library and school class library books that have been read or may have been forgotten to the School Office!

- **School library books** have a plastic cover and author sticker on the spine
- **Class library books** have a Wallace Fields Junior School stamp inside the cover and red tape on the spine.
- **Any books with a class teacher's name on.** Ms. Gough (and former teacher Mrs. Crabb) had brought in their own books for their Year 6 book corners many of which have gone missing.

School Dinners Menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1 ✓ Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Diced Potatoes Vegetarian Option 2 ✓ Vegetable Rosti with Diced Potatoes Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Pork Sausages with Creamed Potato and Gravy Option 2 ✓ Quorn Vegan Sausage with Creamed Potato and Gravy Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Option 2 ✓ Cheesy Leek Parcel with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Chinese Chicken Curry with Rice Option 2 ✓ Chinese Veg Curry with Rice Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Fish Fingers with Oven Chips Option 2 ✓ Mac 'n' cheese Option 3 School's Choice
Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread				
Dessert: Strawberry Mousse				

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1 ✓ Ricotta and Spinach Tortellini with Tomato Sauce Vegetarian Option 2 ✓ Cheese and Courgette Twist with Pesto Pasta Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Superfood Beef Burger with Diced Potatoes Option 2 ✓ Bubble and Sausage Burger with Diced Potatoes Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Option 2 ✓ Freshly Made Glamorgan Sausage with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ BBQ Chicken with Rice Option 2 ✓ Meat Free Meatballs and Tomato Sauce with Rice Option 3 School's Choice	Option 1 ✓ Harry Ramsden's Fish with Oven Chips Option 2 ✓ Veg Quesadilla with Oven Chips Option 3 School's Choice
Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread				
Dessert: Fresh Dairy Yoghurt				



CLUBS

When Does My Child's Club Finish for Christmas?

A reminder that Tennis club finished on Monday 18th November 2024. Spanish and Science Clubs have already finished and will not return until after the Christmas holidays. Below are all the finish dates for all the other school clubs in alphabetical order.

Wallace Fields Junior School Christmas 2024 - End Dates for Clubs

Club	Last Day of Term	Club	Last Day of Term
Arts and Crafts	2nd December 2024	French club	12th December 2024
Book club Year 5 & Year 4	11th December 2024	Gardening lunchtime club	Weather dependent
Book club Year 6 & Year 3	10th December 2024	Gymnastics	11th December 2024
British Sign Language club	13th December 2024	Hip Hop Club	16th December 2024
Choir - Lower School	11th December 2024	Judo Tuesday	10th December 2024
Choir -Upper school	9th December 2024	Judo Wednesday	11th December 2024
Code camp	9th December 2024	Lego club	11th December 2024
Code camp	11th December 2024	Netball Squad	5th December 2024
Cooking club	3rd December 2024	Piano Lessons	Check with Mrs Cratchley directly
Dodgeball	13th December 2024	Saxophone /Woodwind lessons	Check with Surrey Arts directly
Football club Girls Yr 3 & 4 lunchtime	13th December 2024	Science club Year 4	5th November 2024
Football Squad	13th December 2024	Science club Year 6	7th November 2024
Football Year 3 & 4	3rd December 2024	Spanish	7th November 2024
Football Year 5 & 6	4th December 2024	Tag Rugby	3rd December 2024
		Tennis club	18th November 2024
		Theatre Arts Friday	6th December 2024
		Theatre Arts Thursday	5th December 2024

Saxophone / Woodwind Lessons

Saxophone / Woodwind lessons are with Mrs Baldwin on a Tuesday after school. The lessons are arranged directly through Surrey Arts. Surrey Arts have informed the School Office that the remaining lessons this term are: 03/12/24, 10/12/24 and 17/12/24. **There will not be a lesson next week on 26/11/24.**

You can also check your parents portal for up to date lesson changes.

Please contact Surrey Arts directly on 01483 519303⁴ or email: surreyarts@surreycc.gov.uk if you have a query about booked lessons or interested in booking lessons.

⁴https://www.google.com/search?q=contact+Surrey+Arts&rlz=1C1GCEA_en&oq=contact+Surrey+Arts&gs_lcrp=EgZjaHJvbWUyBggAEUUYOTIICAEQABgWGB4yDQgCEAAYhgMYgAQYigUyDQgDEAAYhgMYgAQYigUyDQgEEAAYhgMYgAQYigUyCggFEAAYgAQYogQvCggGEAAYgAQYogQvCggHEAAYgAQYogQvCggIEAAYgAQYogTSAQk0MDMMyajFgMTWoAgiwAgE&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8&safe=active&ssui=on#

Exciting Themed Activities at Wraparound Care - JAG!



Christmas Jumper Day

Join us to celebrate!

12th December

This special day invites everyone to wear their silliest and sparkliest jumpers to spread holiday cheer!



BOOK NOW!



Christmas Celebrations

Join us to celebrate!

Week Commencing 16th December

December will be bursting with festive cheer! Children will immerse themselves in activities celebrating the season while discovering how different cultures celebrate the holidays!



BOOK NOW!



Antarctica Day

Join us to celebrate!
Week Commencing 2nd December

Antarctica Day celebrates the signing of the Antarctic Treaty in 1959, which helps protect the coolest continent on Earth for scientists and explorers.

BOOK NOW!

Junior Adventures Group



📍 Join us for festive fun & activities this December at JAG!

As December arrives, our wraparound clubs are gearing up to bring festive sparkle to your child's days. Every day will shine with seasonal games, activities, and crafts from our **Adventure Programme**, giving every child the chance to celebrate, create, and explore.

Here are some of the special occasions we'll be celebrating this December:

📅 **Antarctica Day (W/C Monday 2nd)**
 We're diving into the wonders of the "coolest" continent! To celebrate Antarctica Day, children will explore the signing of the Antarctic Treaty through quizzes, games, and activities from our **Brain Boosters** category.

📅 **Christmas Jumper Day (Thursday, December 12th)**
 It's Christmas Jumper Day! Children can wear their silliest, sparkliest jumpers and enjoy fun activities from our **Wellbeing Warriors** category, including selfies at the Christmas Jumper Station and mindful colouring.

📅 **Christmas Celebrations (W/C Monday 16th)**
 The countdown to Christmas begins! Children will dive into festive activities from our **Creative Inventors** category, creating crafts and learning about holiday traditions from around the world.

Don't miss out on December's festive fun, discovery, and celebration!

📅 **Secure your spot here:**

<https://bookings.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/>

🗨️ **Parent Support:** <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/>

❓ **FAQs:** <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/frequently-asked-questions/>

💳 **Payment Options:** <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/payment-options/>

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SAFEGUARDING and WELLBEING

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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

EDUCATING CHILDREN ON SPENDING AND SAVING

Evidence shows that children's spending habits begin to form as early as seven years old. With primary schools in England not required to teach financial literacy, many young people are reaching adulthood without knowing the basics of budgeting. This guide explains how to teach young people about money in a practical way, giving them the understanding to become savvy spenders and savers.

- #### 1 PROVIDE POCKET MONEY

Giving children money – even a small amount – can help them learn to make their own budgeting decisions about how to spend or save. Research shows that young people who receive pocket money are more likely to become adults with strong financial skills and significantly less debt.
- #### 2 USE A PREPAID CARD

Being able to pay by card is essential these days, with some expenses not accepting cash outside the home. Prepaid debit cards are a good way to teach children about the benefits of using a card. They can be used to pay for things like an ice cream, a birthday gift or a small amount of pocket money. It's also a good way to teach them about the benefits of using a card.
- #### 3 PRACTISE BORROWING

Although official borrowing is only available to over 18s, kids need to understand how debt and interest work before they become adults and are presented with credit cards. Buy them a toy that they can't afford to pay for. Explain how it works. When about this, parents could offer to help pay for it. This teaches them about the benefits of borrowing. It also teaches them about the importance of paying back by a certain date, plus an extra charge or penalty on interest.
- #### 4 ENCOURAGE OPEN CONVERSATION

Chatting about money and how much things cost will have children that financial is a part of every day life and not some "icky adult thing". Parents can spend time discussing the budget for the weekly shop, for example, working together to get one thing on the list and seeing how much it costs. A certain number, letting young ones make spending choices and see how much you could get for their allowance regarding money.
- #### 5 DISCUSS THE PRESSURE TO SPEND

Whether it's YouTube ads or a hint of any ad at a friend's house, children are being targeted by marketers everywhere. Encourage children to notice how every thing they see has a price, and to think about how they can save money. Encourage them to think about how they can save money. Encourage them to think about how they can save money. Encourage them to think about how they can save money.
- #### 6 TELLING 'NEED' FROM 'WANT'

Learning how to prioritise spending is an important life skill. The difference between 'need' and 'want' is a key concept. Encourage children to think about how much they need to live and how much they want. Encourage them to think about how much they need to live and how much they want. Encourage them to think about how much they need to live and how much they want.
- #### 7 ENCOURAGE SAVING

Getting children saving early can set them up with a useful habit for their adult life. Suggest that they set something aside every time they receive money and try to save it. Encourage them to think about how much they need to live and how much they want. Encourage them to think about how much they need to live and how much they want.
- #### 8 SPARK INTEREST IN INTEREST

Motivate children by telling them about interest. You can describe it as a reward for saving money. Explain how every thing they put away will grow over time. Encourage them to think about how much they need to live and how much they want. Encourage them to think about how much they need to live and how much they want.
- #### 9 PAYING FOR CHORES

This is a complex debate with no right or wrong answer. It depends on what you do each individual family. However, it can be one of the best ways to teach children that money needs to be earned and helps to create in my opinion responsible workers. If parents were to pay for whatever chores they could do the children to what they can do for earning a little extra.
- #### 10 PROTECT CHILDREN FROM SCAMS

Children are being targeted more and more by scammers. Encourage children to think about how they can protect themselves. Encourage them to think about how they can protect themselves. Encourage them to think about how they can protect themselves.

Meet Our Expert
 Gohenry is a prepaid debit card and financial education app with a mission to make every young person smart about money. Co-founder and CEO Louise Hill is a professional career coach for better financial literacy among school children and strongly believes that money management is a crucial life skill.

<https://www.thenationalcollege.com/guides/spending-and-saving>

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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators ENCOURAGING CHILDREN TO CHOOSE RESPECT

Sometimes, differences between children can escalate into bullying, potentially impacting their mental health in a way that can persist into adulthood. While it's natural to disagree sometimes, teaching children the importance of respect is essential – especially in difficult situations. This guide provides strategies for encouraging considerate behaviour, even during a dispute, to foster a kinder, more inclusive environment for everyone.

1 LEAD BY EXAMPLE

As adults, we play a crucial role in modelling respectful behaviour for children: they observe and learn from our actions every day. Be mindful of the way you interact with others in front of children. Keep in mind that you should always approach others with an attitude of mutual respect, even if you disagree with them. Demonstrating this behaviour can influence young people and help them to handle their own conflicts in a healthy way.

2 AGREE TO DISAGREE

Make sure children know that it's fine to have differing opinions – and that disagreeing with someone doesn't mean you can't get along or respect each other's point of view. Help them understand that sometimes we can 'agree to disagree'. Using active listening skills when doing this can also help to build empathy and understanding of others.

3 PROMOTE ACTIVE LISTENING

Teach children about the importance of active listening: that is, making a genuine effort to listen to the other person's perspective without interrupting, before responding in a way that shows you understand their viewpoint, even (or perhaps especially) if you disagree with it. This makes people feel respected and allows for a better comprehension of their point of view, which in turn can make it easier for you to communicate your own opinions to them.

4 ENCOURAGE THE USE OF "I" STATEMENTS

If a child finds themselves in a disagreement with someone, it can be useful to encourage them to use "I" statements during the discussion. Framing their thoughts and feelings using statements like "I feel..." or "I think..." can help them avoid an accusatory tone and encourages them to take responsibility for their own emotions.

5 FOCUS ON BEHAVIOUR, NOT CHARACTER

When disagreements happen, encourage children to focus on critiquing and addressing the specific actions or behaviours that caused the upset, rather than attacking the person's character. For example, "I didn't like how you interrupted me" is better than "you're so rude". This can help children avoid hurting someone's feelings, which is likely to inflame the situation.

6 STAY CALM AND TAKE BREAKS

It's perfectly normal to feel upset during a disagreement – especially if it's getting heated. Remind children that if they feel overwhelmed, they should try to take deep breaths or even go for a short break to help them stay composed. If a conversation becomes too intense, remind them it's OK to suggest continuing it later or in a different setting. This can prevent things getting out of hand, allowing cooler heads to prevail.

7 START CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RESPECT

Talk openly to children about what respect means – to you and to them. Discuss how they might show respect to each other, to friends, to strangers and even to people we might disagree with. You could use examples of considerate or inconsiderate behaviour in books, films or TV to open discussions about the importance of giving others due regard.

8 SEEK COMMON GROUND

When a disagreement has occurred between children, they may find it hard to move past it. You can support them in finding a more positive way forward by helping identify areas of agreement or common ground with the other party. This can help to build bridges between differing opinions and foster a more cooperative atmosphere, as well as preventing those involved from demonising each another.

9 AVOID MAKING THINGS PERSONAL

It's important that we make it clear to children they must avoid name-calling, swearing or derogatory remarks in a disagreement with others. Respectful language sets a positive tone and helps keep the conversation productive. Reminding children to stay calm and take breaks – as mentioned previously – can help them avoid getting too emotional and saying or doing something hurtful.

10 REFLECT AND LEARN

After a child has had a disagreement, encourage them to reflect on the experience and think about what they can learn from it. What did they handle well? How might they improve their communication skills to handle conflicts more effectively in the future? You could use role play, writing and drawing pictures, or hypothetical examples to further develop their skills in showing respect during a disagreement.

Meet Our Expert

The Anti-Bullying Alliance (ABA) co-ordinate Anti-Bullying Week each year. ABA is a unique coalition of organisations and individuals, working together to achieve their vision to stop bullying and create safer environments in which children and young people can live, grow, play and learn. They welcome membership from any organisation or individual that supports this vision and support a free network of thousands of schools and colleges.



Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/choose-respect>

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ACHIEVEMENTS

Violinist

A Wallace Fields Junior School pupil won first place in the Violin Performance on both Kingston upon Thames festival of the performing arts and Sutton Music Festival held (16th and 17th November 2024).





Great Gymnastic Achievement



We are excited to share that Benji M (4K) competed in the regional Neon gymnastics competition last weekend. He was in the boys aged 9 and 10 years old level. He competed on floor and vault and he won GOLD. We are (and he is) very proud and wanted to share this achievement with everyone. He showed his medal in assembly this morning and was applauded for his fantastic achievement.

Cello Achievement

Congratulations to Ezra in Year 3 who successfully achieved his Cello Grade 1. This included playing prepared pieces, scales and arpeggios and sight reading as well. He was

congratulated in our celebration assembly this morning and showed us his certificate. well done Ezra!

Christmas Activities



The poster features a dark green background with strings of warm white lights and falling snow. In the center, a white rounded rectangle contains the event details. Below the text, there is an illustration of Bourne Hall at night, flanked by two decorated Christmas trees and a snowman in the foreground.

**CHRISTMAS
LIGHT SWITCH ON
BOURNE HALL**

SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER
4PM - 7PM

SWITCH ON BY THE
MAYOR

HEART & SOUL CHOIR
CHRISTMAS GROTTO
A-LAD-IN EWELL
COMMUNITY PANTO

SPRING STREET, EWELL, KT11 1UF

EPSOM & EWELL
BOROUGH COUNCIL

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
MORE INFORMATION ABOUT
OUR CHRISTMAS EVENTS
WWW.BOURNEHALL.ORG

Bourne Hall

Epsom ON ICE ICE SKATING FAMILY FUN

28 NOVEMBER - 5 JANUARY 2025

OPEN EVERY DAY EXCLUDING CHRISTMAS DAY
TICKETS FROM JUST £10!

Epsom Downs
RACECOURSE

Christmas For Kids The FREE Digital Sensory Show **EMBRACING ARTS**

Phoebe's Festive Favourites

"We all loved it so much, it was completely inclusive and amazing"

"A real feel good activity to get us into the Christmas spirit that everyone can enjoy."

Register here

Dear Friends,
Award-winning children's theatre charity, Embracing Arts, invites you to enjoy their flagship festive production: Christmas for Kids. Since 2009, these sensory, interactive shows have been enjoyed by over 33,000 children across the UK. This year marks the 5th digital show... **'PHOEBE'S FESTIVE FAVOURITES!'**

Join lovable puppet Phoebe as she shares her favourite elements of Christmas!

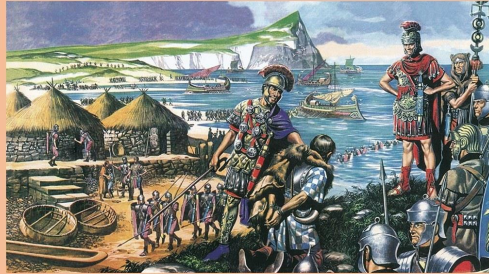
This six-part interactive festive adventure is bursting with music, puppetry, colourful visuals and more! Accompanying this FREE Digital Production is a **Facilitators' Guide**, made in collaboration with organisations across the SEND network to bring the show to life for sensory learners.

Available from 11th November at www.christmasforkids.org.uk

Bourne Hall Museum



Bourne Hall Museum
Kids Club
bringing history alive



The Romans are here!

Saturday December 7 1pm to 2.30pm

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to travel back two thousand years in time, to when the whole known world was ruled by the mighty Roman Empire?

Have you ever wondered how their food tasted, the feel of wearing their clothes, what their language sounded like, and the look—and smell! of their buildings?

A visit from the Butser IX Legion will bring the Roman world alive for you. Find out what a Roman schoolchild had to learn, try on Roman armour, and if you are tough enough, undergo Roman army training: all orders in Latin – we will teach you!

Cost £6 per child per session . Further information is available from David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell. Surrey, KT17 1UF.

Tel 0208 394 1734, Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk



THE MUSEUM OF
EPSOM AND EWELL

BOURNE HALL

Free services for schools, colleges
and home educator groups
2023/24



Welcome



Welcome to the Museum of Epsom and Ewell at Bourne Hall in Ewell, Surrey.

We are a local museum dedicated to preserving and recording the local history of the Borough of Epsom and Ewell. We have a permanent display based upstairs in Bourne Hall in Ewell village with free entry to the public. Here we exhibit a regularly changing display of all aspects of local history.



FREE SERVICES FOR SCHOOLS COLLEGES AND HOME EDUCATORS

In addition to our traditional museum role we also offer a range of free services to schools, colleges and home educators, complementing all the key stages of the national curriculum.

These include:

- Talks by museum staff at schools and colleges,
- Guided walks around the Borough
- Loan boxes containing items chosen to illustrate certain topics from the curriculum.

Further details of these services are included in this booklet.

For more detailed information,
please contact
David Brooks
dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk
Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, EWELL, Surrey,
KT17 1UF.
020 8394 1734



LOAN BOXES

The free loan box service is offered to illustrate various historical topics studied within KS1 and KS2. Boxes include a combination of original artefacts from the museum's collections and reproduction items designed to illustrate some of the earlier periods of history. Boxes may be borrowed free of charge for up to half a term at a time.



ROMANS

Boxes contain a selection of pots, tiles, brooches, lamps, writing equipment and finds from local archaeological digs.

8 boxes available for loan



TUDORS

Learn how the Tudors lived. Our boxes include kitchen utensils, pots, clay pipes and items of clothing such as ruffs and shoes.

4 boxes available for loan



VICTORIANS

Choose from boxes covering Victorian costume, Victorian home or Victorian school. Discover what the Victorians wore, how they used abacus' and what their hot water bottles were like.

13 boxes available for loan.



THIRTIES

Illustrate home life in the 1930s. Our boxes contain a selection of cameras, games, magazines and kitchen utensils.

4 boxes available for loan



WORLD WAR II

Explore life in WW2 using gas masks, ration books, shrapnel and shell cases, newspapers, helmets and more.

6 boxes available for loan.



WORLD WAR I

Explore life in WW1 with items such as a German helmet and horse shoes found on the French WW1 battle fields



4 boxes available for loan.



TOYS

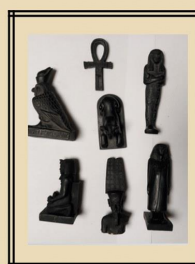
Discover how toys have changed through time using our boxes containing a variety of toys from the 1900s to the 1950s.



3 boxes available for loan.

EGYPTIAN

Discover the Egyptian boxes filled with figurines representing gods, goddesses, and pharaohs of ancient Egypt.



1 box available for loan



PREHISTORIC PALAEOLITHIC MESOLITHIC NEOLITHIC

These boxes of tool kits include a range of exciting historic tools and items such as flint blades; flint tranchet knife; bone harpoon; bone needles; microlith; periwinkle shell necklace; scrapers.

3 boxes available for loan.

**For further detail on these or any other items of interest please contact David Brooks.
dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk**

Boxes are subject to availability and must be collected and returned to the museum by the borrower. The above descriptions are not intended to be the full contents and our boxes contain many interesting items.



TALKS

We are pleased to be able to offer talks to pupils covering a variety of topics including;

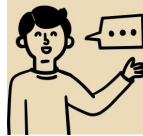
- Roman Epsom and Ewell
- History of Epsom
- History of Ewell
- World War 1
- World War 2
- Prehistoric Epsom & Ewell

These illustrated talks are free of charge and can be suitable for KS1, KS2 or KS3. They can be given either at school or at Bourne Hall. Other subjects may also be covered. Please contact us to discuss details.

We can also arrange a joint visit to the Museum and Ewell Library.

WW1 and WW2 Days

WW1 and WW2 days or part days are available at Bourne Hall or in school lead by an WW1 officer or WW2 air raid warden and home guard Officer but there is a charge for these. Please see front cover.



GUIDED WALKS

Guided walks for groups of up to one class at a time are also offered. These walks provide an excellent opportunity to fully illustrate local history. Popular walks on offer include;

- Epsom town centre
- Epsom Common
- Ewell village
- Manor Hospital site

All walks are free of charge. Please ask if there is any other location that you would be interested in visiting.



KIDS CLUB



Bourne Hall Museum Club is the club for children 7 to 12+ who love history and like to have fun while learning about it. We travel back through time to discover the past and its people encompassing all periods of history from the deepest Stone Age to the home front in Epsom during World War 2.

Through a combination of hands-on experience, visiting experts and a coming together of enthusiastic minds we aim to have fun and learn together.

The club meets on the second Saturday of each month at Bourne Hall, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF 1.00pm to 2.30pm and costs £6 per child for each session.

For more information please email David Brooks on dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk



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BOURNE HALL MUSEUM

ABOUT US

Discover the fascinating past of Epsom & Ewell at Bourne Hall Museum. Based in the futuristic building of Bourne Hall, our free museum allows you to come face to face with the local past in a variety of interactive and engaging ways.

With exhibits ranging from prehistoric times to the modern day, our permanent displays and regular exhibitions illustrate every aspect of local life and have something to interest all members of the family.

The Museum charts the Borough's history through its, fine art, costume, archaeology and social history. Highlights of our collection include Prime Minister Rosebery's hansom cab, a 19th century fire engine, extensive Derby memorabilia and significant Roman archaeology from local sites.

The museum shop offers a wide collection of local history books and pamphlets.

The museum offers a wide range of popular, free educational services to both schools and home-educating groups within the Borough. These include loan boxes, talks and guided walks. For more information on any of these services please see our brochure.

Museum Opening Hours

Monday - 09:30am - 5.00pm

Tuesday - 09:30am - 5:00pm (Museum Office open)

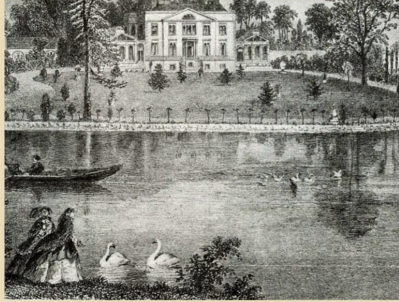
Wednesday - 09:30am - 5:00pm (Museum Office open)

Thursday - 09:30am - 5:00pm (Museum Office open)

Friday 09:30am - 5:00pm (Museum Office open)

Saturday - 09:30am - 5:00pm

Sunday and Bank Holidays - Closed



OLD BOURNE HALL - THE MANOR HOUSE THAT ONCE STOOD WHERE BOURNE HALL STANDS TODAY



Bourne Hall, Spring Street, Ewell, KT17 1UF.

The Museum is located in the first-floor gallery in Bourne Hall, Ewell. Full disabled access is available. Visitors to the Museum are also able to enjoy the full range of family-friendly facilities offered by Bourne Hall, including the café, library, regular art exhibitions and the park. Car parking is available or there is easy access by bus or train.

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