

Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

25th October 2024



DATES NEXT WEEK

- Monday 28th October Friday 1st November 2024 Half term
- Monday 4th November 2024 -
 - Year 6 Macbeth Workshop
 - Deadline for all Cauliflower Cards artwork and form to be return to school
- Tuesday 5th November 2024 Open Morning Prospective Parents 10.15am 11.30am
- Wednesday 6th November 2024
 - Open Morning Prospective Parents 10.15am 11.30am
 - 3T Parents' Evening with Mr Taylor Face to Face 3.45pm 6.00pm
- Thursday 7th November 2024 3T Parents Evening with Mr Taylor Virtual 3.45pm 6.00pm

Click Here¹ for Upcoming Events Click here² for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar

HEAD'S UPDATE

More Rugby Victories for Wallace Fields Juniors

There was clapping and cheering in the school hall and I talked about the pride we have for those that represent us and bring home the trophies. I also talked about humility and being honourable in defeat when we lose. I had no preconceptions about the lower school rugby team though, no sooner

¹<u>https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/events</u>

²https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/calendar

had I typed about our glee and excitement at winning the upper school rugby tournament, that the news was coming in that the lower school had also returned victorious! What a fabulous result showing such great skill, teamwork and sporting achievement that they win both the rugby tournaments. We have shown our appreciation in assembly and the lower school team received their certificates. Well done to them. They have earned our fullest and most sincere congratulations.



Gas Main Works

The large hole outside the school has finally been filled in and the surface repaired, however, the gas company have told us that more works are due inside the school grounds and thankfully this has been scheduled for the half term break to minimise disruption when the children are not in school. I am hoping above all that they are able to complete the works inside the school grounds. They have reassured us that they will also repair the damaged surfaces on the island so there may still be some more work next outside the main gate soon though we hope it will be concluded over half term.

Thanks to the PTA and Parent Helpers

A big thank you to the parent helpers and PTA leads who made the Hallowe'en Disco such a huge success. The children had a great time and the hall and diner were cleared up very carefully ensuring that the mess was all gone after the disco and the school ready for use the next day. We do have a few lost property items from the event - these are in the lost property box in the quad. Thanks also to the staff who attended to help with monitoring and managing the children to ensure everything went smoothly - they were very generously giving their time after what has been a very long half term and their efforts are very much appreciated.

Air Tags and Trackers Ban

With the growth of technology and subsequent 'surveillance parenting', there has been a growth in popularity of air tags. These are location devices primarily used for finding keys and luggage, now being used to track children, many without their knowledge. We have banned these from trips and visits following the triggering of anti-stalking software on iPhones on trips, the lack of consent to track and the safeguarding issues that arise in revealing the exact locations of children who may have court orders, are looked after (fostered/in care) and those children that need to be protected from this tracking. The details are too many to go into so put simply, they will be removed from bags and rucksacks (using an app) before any trips or visits outside of school, so please remove them from your child's bag on the trip days. Any air tags or trackers found on children on a trip day will have it confiscated and the parent can collect it from the office directly (if the classes have not departed). If they are found on a trip they will be confiscated and the parent can collect from the main office on the return of the group.

This ban on trackers and Air tags on trips has been written into our mobile phone policy and includes a ban on smartwatches (that can take photographs) and other tracking devices (e.g. 'Tile'). Thank you for your understanding with these issues. Safeguarding is not compromised as if there is a serious incident on a trip or visit, the staff act in loco parentis, and will contact parents immediately.

Ghosts in a Jar competition

Thank you to all those who entered the Ghost in a Jar competition. This went round at the Tea Parties and was a great success. Congratulations to the winner which was Hendrix in Year 3 who guessed 82 ghosts! Well done **Hendrix**. He collected his prize today.

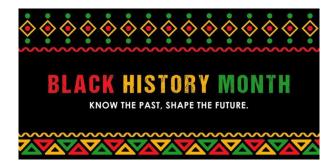
THIS WEEK

Wallace Fields Junior School Celebrating Black History Month

Message from Mrs. Kidwai, Diversity Lead

At our school, the celebration of Black History Month was a huge success and the children absolutely loved it! The enthusiasm could be felt in every year group as children participated in various classroom activities, learned about significant historical figures, and discussed important events that have shaped our society throughout this month. From engaging presentations to vivid posters, every aspect of the celebration was thoughtfully planned and executed with passion and dedication.

I had the pleasure of seeing the energy and positive vibes which were contagious, creating a sense of unity amongst our learner community. It was truly inspiring to see our students so eager to learn and honour the contributions of African people throughout history. This month-long celebration served as a powerful reminder of the importance of diversity, inclusion and equality in our school community. Please have a discussion with your children about what they have learnt in school to spread the message everywhere. Our efforts towards embedding diversity values in our school continue throughout the year and we celebrate all cultures, languages and communities that make our school the wonderful place it is as we unite in this beautiful tapestry. I hope you have a lovely and relaxing half-term.





Pumpkin Craft Winner Announced





Congratulations to **Roberta 3D, Sara L 4C, Sophia 5H, and Heidi 6H** who won the pumpkin-making competition. It was announced on Friday 18th October and they received a £5 Amazon voucher.

http://twitter.com/statuses/1848378990337073301

Believe Awards



These are the 25th October 2024 **Believe Award** winners. The Believe Award is presented tot those children that show all of the school values including **b**rilliance, **e**nthusiasm , learning, inspiration, **e**quality, **v**ision and **e**very pupil matters. This means that essentially these children are all round excellent individuals with a willingness to do their best, work with others, approach tasks with vigour and achieve real progress. They are children who are kind to others and work well in a team whilst understanding that there is a reason for everything we learn and do in school. They are outstanding individuals who deserve this recognition. The Believe Award is only awarded once a month and is worth ten house points.

Stars of the Week



1 - 25th October 2024 Stars of the Week. Well done to this week's winners.



2 - This is the Star of the week winners for 4th October 2024. Their picture was omitted in error from the newsletter that week.

This week's Stars of the Week are above as well as one from a few weeks ago (4th October 2024) which was not in the newsletter. 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.

Head Teacher's Award - October 2024

Well done to all the children below who have been awarded a Head Teacher's Award this half term. Children are sent to Mr Lee to show their excellent examples of work, amazing levels of effort and wonderful tasks where the children have gone over and above to meet the goal set. They get five house points for each visit to the headteacher and often the children get a certificate. The Head Teacher award is given by all class teachers and this achievement is often recorded in the end of year report. All Head Teacher award winners are published in the newsletter (first name and initial only).

Head Teacher's awards October 2024

Aarushi B	5H	Eesa H	5S	Leena O	5S	Peggy K	5 S
Adam JH	5H	Elias A	5H	Livi B	5H	Reema K	5 S
Alice M	4K	Ella C	5 S	Louise H	5S	Rhea J	5H
Alice W	4K	Emily A	5H	Luke O	5H	Robin O	5H
Amelia P	4K	Ezra JH	3T	Marta H	5H	Rose Winzar	5H
Anna C	5H	Finlay KQ	5H	Mia G	4C	Sabrina C	5H
Arlo O	6 G	Francesca	5H	Mila R	4K	Scarlett B	4C
Ben M	5H	Freddie B	6G	Millie D	5H	Sebi L	4K
Blake T	5S	George C	4C	Millie N	4K	Sophia X	5H
Carter D	4K	George Ho	5H	Monty W	5S	Thea Y	5H
Charlie W	3D	Grace E	5 S	Nandika S	5S	Theo C	3D
Dilan C	5H	Henry D	3D	Nyla H	4C	Theo L	4K
Dylan L	5S	Joshua K	5H	Oliva W	5S	Violet D	5 S
Eddie E	3T	Kiaan R	<mark>5</mark> 5	Oliver B	4K	William F	4C
Edward P	5H	Kian R	5S	Ollie J	<u>5</u> S	Wilfred R	3D
						Yoon S	5H

Times Table Rock Stars Inspired Writing Competition

A huge well done to the children who entered the TTRs writing competition! We have really enjoyed reading some already and are blown away by your creativity! We will be announcing winners and celebrating their fantastic stories in the next half term. Please see some creative entries below from Heidi (6H), Eesa (5S), Olivia (5S) and Katrina (3T) who all entered the competition last week. We will share some more in the newsletter after the half term too!

Kind regards,

Miss Sarjeant





TTRs Inspired Writing Competition

<u>Name: Olivia</u> Class: 5S



Beneath an amber evening sky, Jerry trudged along a path on the outskirts of town. It had been a long day at school and the outsitis of town. It had been a long day at school and they were eager to get home. Suddenly, the rumble of cars in the distance was interrupted by an electrifying guitar solo piercing the air... It was coming from what Jerry though was an abandrong warehouse. Overcome with curiosity, he aneakip peeked through a window and discovered the legendary Times Tables Rock Stars band performing a secret music and began waving... directly at Jerry. It was definitely Baz and he was was inviting Jerry into the secret gis...

Jerry stood, his mouth gaping, his feet powerless and unable to stir. Quickly, his eyes pivoted around, checking for anyone else that was sharing his emotion. Nothing. He scanned again. Still nothing. Why was no one else looking? " Come" Bar's tone was surprisingly soft, not the gruff voice recorded on YouTube shorts. Faker, Jying, A fraud Jerry felt a fire stirring in his empty stomach. How could they imittee his idl?" of a top yout noene?" Bar's tassing voice echoed in his head. Curiosity powered him on. Then his feet started moving automatically, into the crumbling warehouse... At least he thought it was crumbling and colourless

Inside, he was instantly blinded. Outside was barren, dull and dark, yet inside it was neon and colour filled. The radiant, neon guitar was hung up on the roplenished walls, as if It was strumming the chords. Splashes of colours coated the poster filled walls. The posters had a strange complexion of the times tables and a five year golden banner. On the stage stod a man with splity rock star ebony hair, a starry microphone that could compete with the night sky, clasped tightly in his hands. The mars⁵ T- shirt was white and he wore a denim jacket. Jerry looked at his own purple TTRS birt. It was worm and fraved at the edges. There was a strangely familiar look about that man. Boz. He did recognise him at first but now it was becoming more impossible, more far fetched.

No Jerry, this is not happening, no one else is here, my eyes are stupids fools, let's see. He strutted down the seats No Jerry, this is not happening, no one else is here, my eyes are stupids jools, let's see. He strutted down the seats and appeared at the towering poportor machine. Or beportor and a slushie popped out of the tin hath. He dived his hand in, which hurt. Eyes wide open in shock, he realised he could actually touch and taste the popcorn which had the most indescribable flavour. Each bite was jam packed with the taste of succulent strawberries, the most reamy caramel and the lingering flavour of appeting apples. Jerry gaped around him again. Baz was opening his smiling mouth, about to strum a chord on his guitar.

The vents whirled and right there was an opening- *a hole in the wall*. Jerry sighed and pitfully glanced at the used to be sparkling and graffit coated wall, which was now a crumbling pool of nothing but paint, rubble and the sense of unwanted destruction. Now inside was a crowed each part halloween and Ziggy. And they gazed straight past Baz and Jerry. Their minds whirled like the vents. Baz beckoned at Jerry.

" I've got something to tell you before the time runs out." Baz bit his shapely tongue, Jerry had remembered about The giv sometime, to ten you bence ten time funs out, a other in shapery unique, ten y had remembered adout Bar and the Shark's tongue. Luckly now he didn't hav, as droked tongue, but his tongue at liddn't look humane. " You know why no one else has seen this place apart from you? No, of course not. Okayyyyyy. This IS harder than 1 expected," Jerry heard the familiar crack in his voice when his mother spoke to him about how his uncle left them guilt.

Baz clutched his now sodden forehead. Jerry still had the clouded and confused expression on his face. Clearly he had use statistical is not souder thereas. Series and the source is not source dependence and the source of the source is not source dependence of the source of the source is not source dependence of the source of th

"But Bay you're so... so... so specialandcleverandextremelykindandextremelyrichandfamousandpopular-II" / erry stopped to catch his breaht to say another bach of words but he thought about it and simply replied in a manner that was the opposite of cool and caim. "But dad's my dad! My uncle left me, even if you 're related to me, you would be my uncle!" " No? Baz groaned and followed on bitterly: "Many things have changed since I had gone. No, your 'Dad's' your uncle and i am your dad. That dam fool changed his identity to mine. The YouTube videos are of your uncle's voice. That is why you can only listen and see mo, otherwise I'm anonymous to everyone esks. I'vbe ben putting up all these dumb gigs, all to find you, you would only be able to see me. Only if we looked similar." Baz gave him a weak smile

Baz slowly picked up his now dull microphone and picked himself up onto stage. Jerry also picked up his slushie and out tumbled out his entire slushie, the contents sloshing the avatars from head to toe. They shrieked, the Ziggy thrashing, the Halloween crackling, the pumpkins erupting into a spectacular show of flames. "RUN MY SON

TTRs Inspired Writing Competition

<u>Name:Katrina</u> Class:3T



Story starter: Beneath an amber evening sky, Jerry trudged along a path on the outskirts of town. It had been a long day at school and they were eager to get home. Suddenly, the rumble of cars in the distance was interrupted by an electrifying guitar solo piercing the air... it was coming from what Jerry thought was an abandoned warehouse. Overcome with curiosity, they peeked through a window and discovered the legendary Times Tables Rock Stars band performing a secret gig. Mesmerised, Jerry stayed hidden, watching the show through the window... until the lead singer, Baz, stopped the music and began waving... directly at Jerry. Baz was inviting Jerry into the secret gig... **Continue the story**

With no hesitation, Jerry bolted and went into the abondoned studio where she climbed onto the stage and made some vast noise.Baz even gave Jerry a special signature on a piece of paper.Suddenly,she dropped the piece of paper and the crowd started throwing the signature around making chaos Around the studio.Jerry was shouting across the stage "GIVE IT BACK!"

The crowd went silent. Baz was petrified, Jerry started feeling forlorn for the large audience and an apology for being mean to the crowd. BANG! Something happened.

TTRs Inspired Writing Competition

<u>Name:</u> Heidi <u>Class:</u> 6H



Story starter: Beneath an amber evening sky, Hazel trudged along a path on the outskirts of town. It had been a long day at school and she was eager to get home. Suddenly, the rumble of cars in the distance was interrupted by an electrifying guitar solo piercing the air... it was coming from what Hazel thought was an abandoned warehouse. Overcome with curiosity, she peeked through a window and discovered the

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The thought of meeting the TTRS band was her dream come true so she went inside to discover not an old warehouse but a child's heaven. There were balloons, games and most importantly a stage where Baz and his band would rock till they dropped. Song after song was played and Hazel accidentally got whiplash by rocking so hard. Baz invited Hazel to their next England Rocks Competition and asked if she wanted to play in the competition with them. "OMGI Yes please" cried Hazel in excitement. So in preparation for the the source of the competition Baz started to teach Hazel the lyrics of their favorite song, which is the theme tune, and soon Hazel was a new member of the best band in the history of TTRS!

When the day of the competition eventually arrived. Hazel was in a massive panic. She went through all the which the day of the competition eventuary arrived, nazer was in a massive paint. Site went torougn an the possibilities of what bad scenarios could somehow happen and there were loads of them such as the light falling down and starting a fire or she forgot the lyrics. Hazel's nerves were gaining on her so much that she thought she may as well die rather than lie about a story that she had made up as to why she could not perform. As hours went by the competition was getting closer and closer. Her tummy was filled to the brim with butterflies and each of those little butterflies were little worries.

This is the moment Baz and his band had been waiting for ;on the other hand, Hazel really was not ready This is the moment data and his band has been warning to , you the outer hand, share really, was not reavy whatsoever. They walked onto the stage with the lights down and as soon as the beat started for the song everybody that was anonymous in the crowd was heard cheering and clapping. The lead guitarist, Mark Rippler, started playing the original tune and then Baz started to sing. When the chorus kicked in Hazel sang her solo ;in addition, she had gone viral globally and her voice was heard all over the world in all the possible languages. She was famous.

When it was finished and Hazel was on her way home, she thought to herself what a great day she had had and how it started at school and ended at a competition It was the best day ever!

TTRs Inspired Writing Competition

Name: Eesa Class: 55



Beneath an amber evening sky, Jerry trudged along a path on the outskirts of town. It had been a long day at school and they were eager to get home. What was this? Suddenly, the rumble of cars in the distance was interrupted by an electrifying guitar solo piercing the air... It was coming from what Jerry thought was an abandoned warehouse. Overcome with curiosity, they peeked through a window and discovered the legendary Times Tables Rock Stars band performing a

secret gig. Mesmerised, Jerry stayed hidden, watching the show through the window... until the lead singer, Baz, stopped the music and began waving... directly at Jerry Baz was inviting Jerry into the secret gig! Wow! This was going to be the best injuit of her life. She was going to have to keep this a big secret in case anyone got jealous.

Once she had entered the abandoned warehouse everyone was hustling and bustling trying to find a space to sit! Luckly she had found a spot near the front. Suddenly the warehouse was filled with screams of happiness as the well known Times Tables Rockstars performed an a very unique song: The Echoes of Journey: Amidst the shadows, whispers sign, Glimmers of youth in twilight's eye. Every path we wander, trace, Revels in time's

Amidst the shadows, whispers sigh, Glimmers of youth in twilight's eye. Every path we wander, trace, Revels in time's unyielding race. Out on the horizon, tales unfold, Adventures etched in memories bold. Desires drift like autuml leaves, Underneath the weight of what one believes. Longing for those who walked beside, Over oceans wide, they seemed to hide. Fleeting echoes—conversations lost, Hearts entwined beneath deep frost. From jubilance to a silent ache, Aignis grip holds every mistake. Innocence fades as wisdom dawns, Mountains chimb beneath pale lawns. Yet in our searching, we find our way—Hope's flicker lights the fading day. While this song was being sung, Jerry waved her arms like she just didn't care and screamed "Baz, I love your song!!!!!!" until her voice was as sore as an old granny when her was ill.

Finally, when the song ended, Baz just gave a few words, " Thank you all so much for coming to my concert. I really appreciate it, I really do. Thank you all so much for coming to this concert! It couldn't have been performed without you." And then everyone burst into a round of applause. Just when everyone was just about to leave, including Jerry, Baz tapped her gently on the shoulder asking her to have a 5 minute word with him. "Hey, I heard you screaming about how much you really liked the song. Do you want a little encore with me?' inquired Baz "Yes please!" exclaimed Jerry. She was so excited that her knees were wobbling and she had butterflies in her turmmy. The encore went really well. At the end, Jerry fell like she was a pro at electric guitars.

As she walked home, it came to mind that she hadn't come home after school. Her parents were going to be worried sickl What was she going to do? As quick as sonic, running around a cricket pitch several times Jerry got home in less than 5 minutes! By this time it was 9pm (when the house was asleep), so she quickly had a quick bite of toast (which she was saving for her breakfast next morning), brushed her teeth until it was sparkling clean (which took her 3 mins) and got dressed into her prijamas which were sea blue with spotty dots spread out. Jerry was so tired that as soon as she got into her cosy bed, she drifted off to sleep.

NEXT WEEK and COMING UP

Cauliflower Cards - Order Online and Return Artwork to School

Now you have your child's Cauliflower Cards artwork you can order Christmas cards, mugs, notebooks and wrapping paper online. A percentage of your spend will go to the school. Please use the unique code on the form when ordering. It is very important to return your artwork to school on the first day back from half term. I can then match your order and artwork and make sure it is sent to the card company to be printed. All orders will be returned to school in early December. Any questions please do ask, Thank you Nicolette Dave



Tickets for Fireworks Night

Wallace Fields Junior School and Wallace Fields Infant School PTA have been holding a Fireworks Night for many many years. This year it is to be held **on Sunday 10th November 2024 from 4.30pm.**

Access will be through the Junior School playground. Adult tickets will be £10 and Children from 4-16 years £6. Hot dogs, pizza, bar, sweet treats and glow stall will be available.

Tickets for the hugely popular PTA Fireworks Night went on sale at Thursday 17th October 2024. Every year this event is a sell-out so please sign up soon to avoid disappointment.

Volunteers are still needed to help so please sign up to help by clicking here³



Parent Teacher Consultation Meetings

We are holding:-

- **Face-to-face appointments** on Monday 11th November 2023 3.45pm 6.00pm (except for 3T when appointments will be Wednesday 6th November 3.45pm-6.00pm)
- Video call appointments on Tuesday 12th November 3.45pm 6.00pm (except for 3T when appointments will be Thursday 7th November 3.45pm-6.00pm).

If you have not done so already please book via School Cloud.

To login to School Cloud please visit <u>https://wallacefieldsjunior.schoolcloud.co.uk</u>.

For security and safeguarding reasons, you will need to use the email that it is registered with the school to access your account. You will also need your child's name and date of birth and your first name and last name. It is important that you use accurate name information, which matches details held on our database. e.g. not shortened name. A step by step guide on how to make

³https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfispta/

appointments is attached to this email and for a video guide click here SchoolCloud Parents Evening - Parent Login on Vimeo⁴

If you have any problems please call the school office.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal - Poppies Available for Children (after Half Term)

If you would like your child to purchase a poppy to support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, Year 6 children will be selling them at lunchtimes when we return after half term. Please send coins in with your child - a suggested donation is 50p for poppies and £1 for metal badges (limited supply) or other merchandise.

Sports Kits

If your child took part in the **Tag Rugby** or **District Sports kit** please can you wash the kit and return it to the school office. Anyone with a football kit and currently in the school team can keep the kit at home until they next represent the school in a football match.

YEAR 3

Parents Evening Times for Year 3

3D Parents Consultations are being held **face to face** on Monday 11th November 2024 3.45pm – 6pm and **virtual** meetings via video link on Tuesday 12th November 2024 3.45pm – 6pm.

3T Parent Consultations will be **face to face** on Wednesday 6th November 2024 3.45pm – 6pm enter through the School Office where Mr Taylor will be in the School Business Managers Office and via **virtual** video link on Thursday 7th November 2024 3.45pm – 6pm.

YEAR 4

Year 4 – Residential Trip Ufton Court

Reminder - If you would like your child to participate in this residential trip, we require a deposit of **£60 by 30th October 2024** payable through our online payment system Scopay

YEAR 5

Year 5 – Residential Trip to Marchants Hill

Reminder of Instalments for residential trip to PGL Marchants Hill:

- £40 deposit was due by 12th July 2024
- £120 2nd instalment due by 25th October 2024
- £130 3rd instalment due by 24th January 2025
- £130 4th instalment due by 1st March 2025

⁴<u>https://vimeo.com/473882995</u>

YEAR 6

Macbeth Young Shakespeare Company

Year 6 study the most enthralling and murderous play by William Shakespeare - Macbeth! To bring this play alive for the children we have booked in a visit from the Young Shakespeare Company on 4th November 2024 to present an interactive storytelling workshop. The children take on roles and get involved in the action and it helps pave the way to understand the plot and the witches prophecies for Macbeth. The children then study the play in more detail and complete a wide range of writing pieces and performances inspired by it. A letter was sent out earlier in the week with full details and a request for a voluntary donation of **£12** to cover the workshop.

Apply for Secondary School Place Before October Half Term

From 1st September 2024 you can apply for a secondary school place. Surrey County Council suggest you submit your application by 25th October 2024 as this is the Friday before the half term holiday. Closing date for applications is 31st October 2024. Please also find attached below a Surrey County Council leaflet with important dates for applying.



You should contact sci like to arrange a visit.

name up to six schools on your ion form, in the order that you prefer frere possible the local authority will a place at one of these schools. Schools will not know where you have ran them on the application form so the order your preferences does not disadvantage yo he local authority has a duty to pro place for your child but it does not place for your child be at one of your you have an older child already at he school, you must still apply for younger child.

a school place, you must make a arate application for each of then f you live in Surrey you must apply to seven if the schools you list are outside

How do I apply? The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online

ill need to accept or decline your offer hool place online by 17 March 2025.

What else do I need to know?

School open days will usually be held in September or October. Please check each school's website for the most up to date information about open days or evenings. r evenings. ectly if you'd

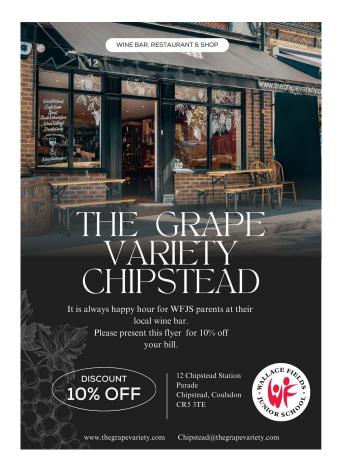
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write to us or submit inf If your child has an education care plan, there is a separate you will receive more informa your child's SEND Case Office

OTHER PTA NEWS





STORY WRITING & LITERACY

500 Words Competition - Now Open!

Every year, the BBC run a 500 word story competition. It is an opportunity for children to write a story with no more than 500 words. There are two age categories: 5-7 and 8-11 year olds. If your child wants to enter, all they need to do is write a story in 500 words or less!

All children are encouraged to enter; spelling punctuation and grammar are not marked. It is all about the creativity! If your child would like to enter, details can be found on the BBC website. <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words</u>

Competition closes at 9pm on Friday 8 November 2024.

Entries are to be submitted via the BBC website but please do bring in your story to school to share with your class teacher too. We would love to read them!

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words

Good luck! Miss Day, English Writing and Phonics Lead



ARTS AND CRAFTS

Local MP Christmas Card Competition

- Theme: Festive/Seasonal
- Age Groups: The competition is open to all students from Reception to Year 6.
- Format see form attached below.
- Submission Deadline: Wednesday 13th November 2024
- Prizes: There will be a small prize for the winner and two runners up. The overall winning design will be featured on the front of my official Christmas card this year.
- Submission: Please send all entries to Helen Maguire MP at Global House, 1 Ashley Road, Epsom, KT18 5AD. Please ensure each entry clearly includes the student's full name along with their age and school.

If you would like any further information, or would like details on our data protection policy, please contact Ellie on 020 7219 1013 or elliec.finch@parliament.uk⁵. I look forward to seeing the wonderful designs from your students!

Kind regards, Rt. Hon. Helen Maguire MP for Epsom and Ewell

⁵mailto:elliec.finch@parliament.uk

2024 Christmas Card Competition – Helen Maguire MP							
Name of School:							
First and Last name:							
Age:							
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To be sul	bmitted to: Helen Maguire, Global House, 1 Ashley Avenue, Epsom, Surrey, KT18 5AD by Wednesday 13 th November.						

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Winter Uniform After Half Term - No Polo Shirts

After half term it is winter uniform until March 2025. No polo shirts so it is time to learn how to tie a tie and check jumpers have names in.

Winter uniform is grey shorts, grey trousers, grey knee-length skirt or grey pinafore with white shirt or blouse, red V-neck pullover with school logo or red cardigan with school logo and school tie. Black shoes (not fashion shoes, trainers or boots) should be worn with grey or white ankle socks, or grey, black or red tights. No red gingham dresses or polo shirts please. Remember coats for playtime and lunchtime and put names in all coats and jumpers. Boots are not permitted in school. The uniform is smart sensible black shoes, no fashion shoes. Additional trainers for use at playtime. PE/Games kit can still be worn on PE/Games days though please ensure appropriate for the weather e.g. PE logo jumper if needed. Plain non branded joggers, black or grey for very cold days. Ensure all uniform has a name label. Hair needs to be tied up if shoulder length. Stud earrings only.

For the full uniform click here on link below

https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/uniform

Dark Evenings - Pick Up From Clubs Only (No Walking Home Alone)

Children are not permitted to walk home alone after clubs from October half term as it is dark so parents/carers must pick up at 4.30pm from the main gate. If an alternative adult is picking up they please ensure the **club leader** is informed directly.

Open Day Tours for Prospective Parents

Would you like to visit our vibrant school, meet the Headteacher and get a personal tour with some of our pupils? We are holding two open mornings for prospective parents/carers this term. This is the perfect opportunity to tour around our amazing school with our prefects, see the classes in action, view the school at first hand and ask questions. There will be a brief presentation on arrival at 10.15am and then a questions and answers session with the Headteacher at the end of your personalised tour.

The tour is aimed at prospective parents planning to join us next year in Year 3 and this is an opportunity to see the school in action. The children will get a chance to meet their new teacher and see the school in the summer term if successful in gaining a place. If you have younger, pre-school children we appreciate that you may have to bring them on this tour however, please note that there are no crèche facilities.

The dates are:

- Tuesday 5th November 2024 10.15am 11.30am
- Wednesday 6th November 2024 10.15am 11.30am

Places are limited to 60 per day so please book early to avoid disappointment.

If you are interested in booking the tour, please click on the following link and complete the form if you would like to attend.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER⁶

We look forward to seeing you.

Please Always Bring A Coat

Please ensure your child brings in a **named coat** as we encourage children to go out at playtime and lunchtime to get some fresh air unless it is heavily pouring down. The children will go out to place if it is a light shower. It is now autumn term and the weather is always unpredictable so a coat is always needed.

CLUBS

Gardening Club Update - Tuesday 22nd October 2024

Thank you to all the gardening club children who worked really hard this week clearing the second flower bed of all the old tyres so we now have two beds ready for the Spring.

Donations of compost, gardening gloves and gardening tools would be much appreciated. Thank you.

⁶https://forms.gle/SrK5weWgH53p9sCu7

Sign Up for Excellent Wraparound Care - JAG!







Discover a fun-filled daily schedule at Junior Adventures Group's Breakfast & After School Clubs!

Unforgettable sessions for 4-11 year olds delivered here every day throughout the academic year!

Junior Adventures Group [JAC] is the UK's leading provider of Breakfast, After School and Holiday Clubs offering fun and affordable childcare delivered in a safe and supervised environment. Their staff are expertly trained, DBS-checked to an enhanced level, first aid qualified, experienced and passionate about the activities they offer.

New to JAG? Click here to start your adventure with JAG today!

Rise then Shine

JAC's Breakfast Clubs, called **Rise Then Shine**, prepare children's minds and bodies for a busy school day! A healthy, nutritious breakfast keeps them energised throughout the morning, while the focus on an active start stimulates brian activity and concentration, ensuring children get the most out of their day.

Find out more at: https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/term-time/breakfast-club

After School Clubs

JAG's After School Clubs, called **Stay and Play**, offer fun, happy, safe places for children to play freely across age groups and take part in structured activities

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such as arts and crafts and active play. Providing an energising end to the school day, children can join group activities, enjoy a healthy snack, or chill out with toys and games that are all set up and ready for them to enjoy.

Find out more at: https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/term-time/after-school-club/

JAC's fun and enriching Breakfast and After School Clubs run daily throughout the academic year

The Adventure Programme!

At the core of JAG's Breakfast and After School Clubs is the Adventure Programme. Comprising seven action-packed categories, this programme is backed by research into child development and created in partnership with experts, providing children with opportunities to develop sesential life skills, explore their interests, and have fun. With a wide selection of activities focused or physical education, arts, STEM, and wellbeing, children can whip up tasty treats, get sporty, or unwind with yoga and mindfulness. d on

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Each category gives children the opportunity to develop life skills, explore their interests, and create friendships for life—all while having fun!

Access the links to the JAG website below to find out more!

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Breakfast & After School Club activities: https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/term-time/activities/

The JAG adventure Programme: https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/advice/unlocking-adventures-through-research-the-jag-adventure-programme/

Flexible Payment Options

JAC understands that affordability may be of concern for families in the current climate. Their flexible payment options offer families several ways to make payments manageable. From their handy instalment plans to supporting your eligibility to access funding schemes – JAC strives to make childcare services available for every child. Find out more about our flexible payment options available to you at: <u>https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/payment-options/</u>

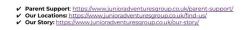
Booking Information

To book please login/create an account if you haven't already and secure your place online at: <u>https://bookings.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/</u>. Please follow the quick step guide below:

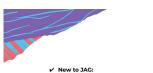
- Register a Junior Adventures Group account
 Please confirm that you have read the Terms and Conditions
 Add your desired Breakfast or After School Club location as centre
 Add your indifern lo your Junior Adventures Group account before
 attempting to make a booking
 Ensure all the Consent questions, Collector, Emergency Contacts and
 Doctor details are added.
 After this click on 'Book Activity' to make a booking.
 Select the dates you wish to book!

More information

If you're looking for more information about Junior Adventures Group Clubs, visit some of their key webpages below;



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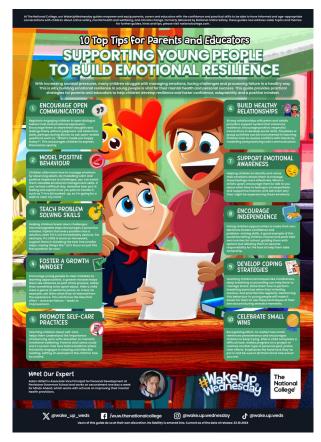


https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/new-to-jag/

Otherwise, please don't hesitate to call the friendly Junior Adventures Group team on 0333 577 1533 or drop them an email at <u>hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk</u>.

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SAFEGUARDING & WELLBEING



6 FACE OCT/NOV TIMETABLE Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each If you can't make the date or time all paid for talks are recorded and available for 48 hours afterwards Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk FREE SESSIONS Introduction to Facing Defiance Decreasing Depression 24 OCT 25 NOV Anxiety Explained 17 OCT Understanding Anger 21 OCT Autism: Improving Communication 28 OCT Introduction to OCD 29 OCT Improving Family Communication 4 NOV Anxiety-Based School Avoidance 12 NOV Anxiety Explained 14 NOV Understanding Anger 18 NOV Drug Awareness for Parents 19 NOV Supporting Healthy Screen Use 21 NOV What is ACT? 26 NOV Understanding Addictive Behaviour 28 NOV



COMMUNITY NEWS









Christmas Photo Sessions Available to Book

A professional photographer has hired our hall at Wallace Fields Junior School for a few afternoons in November to do a Christmas mini photo shoot. It will be nice for school to make some money and for the parents to have fun and beautiful memories. Please see the leaflet below or click here⁷ for the booking website.

⁷https://book.usesession.com/s/R pFlk6Az



I'm so excited to introduce the Christmas sessions.

The time has come for this special event of MINI CHRISTMAS SESSIONS!

Make Christmas a little more magical.

Christmas mini photoshoot is an opportunity to capture the magic and warmth of the holiday season, create memories, and share your love and joy with others in a uniquely festive way. It's the time of the year to really enjoy being together, laugh, have fun and document these moments in the form of beautiful pictures.

PACKAGES starts from £77

This year my Mini Sessions will be in Epsom

💭 Wallace Fields Junior School Epsom KT17 3BH

I cannot wait to photograph your family and capture those moments of pure magic.

Link to bookings is through the link or QR Code above. https://book.usesession.com/s/R_pFlk6Az

Thank you and see you soon

If you have any questions, you can email me on annapelechphotography@yahoo.com or text on 07362456429.

Girl Footballers Needed





Bourne Hall Events

Kids Club

bringing history alive Norse Gods and Runes

9 November 1pm to 2.30pm

The Viking Age, from 800 to 1050 AD, saw bands of Norsemen going raiding, colonising, conquering and trading throughout Europe, reaching as far as North America. Learn about the Vikings, their beliefs, gods, and language. Discover how to translate and write in Futhark runes, and also handle some replica artifacts.





Cost £6 per child. Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk



Epsom Halloween Walks Wednesday 30 October And Friday 1 November At 3pm to 4.30pm also 5.30pm to 7pm and 8.00pm to 9.30pm,

Meet opposite the fire station in Church Street Epsom **Cost £6 per per**son. Numbers are limited: to reserve your place please contact David Brooks—020 8394 1734 dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, EWELL, Surrey,

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A Halloween walk in Epsom, visiting where the dead do not rest, flats, pubs, old houses, ghostly children, and school teachers in Epsom's most haunted house, the matchstick ghost, the ghost that moved next door, an infamous 18th century ghost, a WW1 nurse, ghost policemen. Perhaps the ghost of Nell Gwyn and Mrs Beeton and is Epsom clock tower a ghost!