



# Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter



**Thursday 25th September 2025**

## **KEY DATES FOR NEXT FEW WEEKS**

- **Friday 26th September 2025**
  - Tag Rugby team fixture at Sutton & Epsom Rugby Club 3.45pm-4.50pm.

- **Celebrating Languages Day** - wear traditional dress or uniform today.
- **Tuesday 30th September 2025** - Epsom College Music Festival all day.
- **Wednesday 1st October 2025 8pm** - Volunteer slots for Fireworks Night go live
- **Thursday 2nd October 2025**
  - Year 5 River Trip
  - Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football Match v St Martins Away Match 3.45pm arrival for a 4pm kick off. No training for those not selected for the team.
  - Deadline to complete e-consent form for flu vaccinations
- **Friday 3rd October 2025** - PTA Parents v Children Football Tournament 3.45pm - 6pm (followed by pizza and drinks)
- **Wednesday 8th October 2025**
  - Flu vaccinations and Year 6 Height and Weight Check
  - 2pm **Year 3 Tea Party** - Please bring in cake donations in the morning
- **Thursday 9th October 2025** - 2pm **Year 4 Tea Party** - Please bring in cake donations in the morning
- **Friday 10th October 2025** 1.50pm-3pm Inter house Cross Country - Parents welcome to watch

[Click Here<sup>1</sup>](#) **for Upcoming Events**

[Click here<sup>2</sup>](#) **for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar. Click Here<sup>3</sup> **for School Term Dates and INSET days****

## Head's Update

### Expectations to Work Hard and Do Their Best - Parent Feedback

We asked parents tell us if they thought we expect their child to work hard and do their best- **93.9% agreed** (with **43.9% agreeing** strongly). This is a powerful endorsement of the high expectations our teaching staff set every day in the classroom. It reflects the consistent message we give to children: that effort, perseverance, and pride in their work matter. We are equally pleased that children themselves are reporting they are trying hard and feel they

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

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

<sup>3</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/news/2025-03-18-inset-days-confirmed-for-next-academic-school-year>

are doing well—this shows that our expectations are not only clear but also motivating and achievable.

Such feedback is more than just a statistic—it is a testament to the strong partnership between home and school, and to the culture of aspiration and confidence that we are building together. Thank you for your continued support in helping every child thrive.

### **Rich and Curriculum Range - Parent Feedback**

We asked parents if they felt that their child got a good range of curriculum activities and lessons in school and **98.5% agreed** (with **51.5% agreeing strongly**).

One of the things we're most proud of at Wallace Fields Juniors is the richness and variety of our curriculum. From exciting trips and inspiring visitors to creative projects and performances, we work hard to make sure learning is never confined to the classroom walls. In fact, barely a week goes by without something special happening—whether it is a workshop, a presentation, or a hands-on experience that brings learning to life.

This term, we asked parents about the impact of these experiences, and we were thrilled to see such a positive response. It's incredibly reassuring to know that the effort our staff put into making lessons fun, engaging, and memorable is being felt and appreciated—not just by the children, but by families too.

These activities are not just enjoyable—they are powerful. They spark curiosity, deepen understanding, and help children connect their learning to the wider world. We will continue to invest in this approach, because we believe that when children are excited by what they are learning, they thrive.

Thank you for your ongoing support—it is what makes our vibrant school community so special.

### **Dangerous Parking**

#### **Parking Safety Reminder for Parents and Carers**

We kindly ask all parents and carers to be especially mindful of where they park during drop-off and pick-up times. Parking on junctions, yellow lines, or across the ends of alleyways poses serious risks to our pupils and families.

These areas are vital for visibility and safe crossing. When cars obstruct these spaces, children may be forced to step into the road without a clear view of oncoming traffic — increasing the danger of accidents.

Please think carefully about how and where you park. Even a few minutes in the wrong place can compromise a child's safety.

**We strongly remind everyone: Please do not park on junctions.** By working together we keep our school community safe.

Thank you for your continued support.

## Stars of Week



Last week's **Stars of the Week** were announced in the assembly last Friday - they create an excellent role model for their fellow peers through their efforts and commitment by following the school values.

Nominated each week in our Celebration Assembly every Friday. All of the Stars of the Week receive a certificate and five house points for showing one or more of the school BELIEVE values - **Brilliance, Enthusiasm, Learning, Inspiration, Equality, Vision** and **Every pupil matters**. Well done to this week's winners.

## THIS WEEK

### Photos of Year 6 Hard at Work

Click [here](#)<sup>4</sup> to see some lovely photos of the Year 6 - writing at their desk, doing role plays and outside learning.

### Epsom College Football Tournament Update

Wallace Fields Junior School (WFJS) took part in the Epsom College tournament on Wednesday 24th September 2025. The sun came out and our players took part in some high intensity 6-a-side matches. WFJS were met with tough competition and had to work hard to find the back of the net. Although WFJS did not come up on top - a lot of fun was had and it was a great lesson in 6-a-side football. Many thanks to the parents for their support and thanks to the children for getting stuck in. Finally thanks to Mr Findlay who brought out the very best in our players.

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<sup>4</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/news/2025-09-24-year-6-hard-at-work>



## Welcome from Jonathan Barker Our New Chair of Governors



I am delighted to take on the role of Chair of the Governors for the school. The Governing Board exists to provide a level of strategic oversight; holding the school to account for educational and financial performance and ensure that the voices of all stakeholders (children, staff, parents and local community) are heard.

I have been a Governor for just over 2 years, and have really enjoyed the additional insight it has provided me into how the school operates and supports our children (my eldest child finished Year 6 this summer, and my youngest child has just started Year 5, so I have lots of experience as a parent at WFJS).

It is, of course, great to spend time with Mr Lee, the teachers and the school staff, but undoubtedly the best part of being a Governor is having the opportunity to come into school and observe the children during their regular school day - I have always found them to be polite, curious and engaged at whatever part of the school life they are involved.

For new parents to the school - you're probably seeing that life at junior school is a step up from infant school - the children take on more responsibility and independence and it can be a tough transition for parents. I'd highly encourage you to take up some of the many opportunities there are to get involved in the school - whether it's applying to be a school governor, join the PTA, volunteer to accompany a school trip, etc.

Looking forward to another year at WFJS!

**Jonathan Barker**

## EVENTS COMING UP

### WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

OCT 3<sup>RD</sup>: PARENTS V CHILDREN  
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

3:45 - 6PM (FOLLOWED BY PIZZA AND DRINKS)



8<sup>TH</sup> OCT: YEAR 3 TEA PARTY 2-3PM  
9<sup>TH</sup> OCT: YEAR 4 TEA PARTY 2-3PM  
15<sup>TH</sup> OCT: YEAR 6 TEA PARTY 2-3PM  
16<sup>TH</sup> OCT: YEAR 5 TEA PARTY 2-3PM  
(NO TICKETS REQUIRED)

22<sup>ND</sup> OCT: HALLOWEEN DISCO

4:30-5:30PM



TICKETS AVAILABLE: [WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK](http://WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK)

**WFJS PTA  
FOOTBALL**

KIDS V ADULTS TOURNAMENT  
ALL YEAR GROUPS

**Tickets on sale**  
Available until midnight on  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> - BUY NOW!

**3RD OCTOBER, 2025**

3.30PM PICK UP, FIRST MATCH AT 4PM  
FOLLOWED BY PIZZA & DRINKS

ALL PLAYERS REQUIRE A TICKET . . . .  
(KIDS & PARENTS)

Available at [www.pta-events.co.uk](http://www.pta-events.co.uk)

### **Wear Traditional Dress on Celebrate Languages Day Friday 26th September**

Children may if they wish on Celebrating Languages Day wear **traditional dress**, such as a **sari, kimono, tartan kilt, hanbok, lederhosen, sherwani** etc. No football or sports kits please. See below some photos from a previous year. If unsure then please send your child into school in school uniform.

Thank you to all the parents/carers who volunteered to come in to talk about their language or culture on the day. We had so much interest that we did not have space for everyone but we will try and make time at a later date. We have been in touch with all those who offered their time to confirm their attendance and the time slot.

Merci beaucoup! Grazie mille ! Gracias! Danke!

**Mme Siobhan Cornell, French Lead**



### **Epsom College Music Festival Tuesday 30th September 10.30am-4.20pm**

**On Tuesday 30th September 10.30am-4.20pm** the upper school choir will be attending a **Music Festival at Epsom College** . They will join other local schools for their annual Music Festival, led by the Director of Music, Mr Paul Johnson-Hyde. It will be a lovely day, the children will be taught some songs and how to be part of a large choir followed by a short concert for parents at the end of the day.

On the day, children will be expected to come to school as usual and we will walk them to Epsom College ready for a 10:30am start. Thank you for those who offered to walk with the children, Mrs Johnstone has been in touch to confirm their help.

Don't forget the following:

- Wear **full winter uniform** (shirt and tie) so we look smart for the concert.
- Bring a **raincoat** for the walk to Epsom College
- **No** water or lunch needed as provided
- **No** school bags please as they get in the way.

- **No** fidget toys or books as they will be busy rehearsing.

Epsom College are very kindly providing refreshments for parents/carers (in Main Hall at 3.30pm) before a little end of the day concert at 4pm (in Big School). We are delighted that all parents have signed up to join us for the children's final performance. P

I am very much looking forward to this day and I am sure the choir will have a wonderful experience.

Kind regards, **Mrs Jo Johnstone (Music Lead)**

### **Year Group Tea Parties**

Later in the term we hold a year group Tea Party. The children will serve you tea and cake, and it is an opportunity to meet the teachers and to mingle with other parents. Hot topics will be discussed and the children usually perform a song or give a recital of some sort for the parents' entertainment. Details will follow nearer the time. The tea party dates are as follows:-

- Wednesday 8th October 2025 2pm **Year 3 Tea Party**
- Thursday 9th October 2025 - 2pm **Year 4 Tea Party**
- Wednesday 15th October 2025 - 2pm **Year 6 Tea Party**
- Thursday 16th October 2025 - 2pm **Year 5 Tea Party**

### **Cross-Country: Parents Welcome - Friday 10th October 2025, 1.50pm-3.00pm**

Over the next week or so, the children will have the opportunity to run in heats for the cross-country race happening on Friday **10th October 2025**. Each year group will select 16 boys and 16 girls to represent their house. Children will be told if they are participating.

If your child is selected, they must bring their PE kit to school in a bag (unless they already have a PE lesson that day, in which case they will already be wearing their PE kit). Children are welcome to wear a t-shirt which represents their house colour. Please make sure they have a water bottle too.

Parents and carers are welcome to come and watch the event. Entry will be via the field gates, using the alley way.

The approximate timings are as follows:

- 1:50pm - Lower school girls' race
- 2:10pm - Lower school boys' race
- 2:30pm - Upper school girls' race
- 2:50pm - Upper school boys' race

The children will not be released until the usual pick-up time.



## Happy Bag Collection - 10th October 2025

Are you having a clear out at home? Please bring in your second hand donations at drop off on 10th October 2025.

Happy School Bag is an easy fundraising scheme that helps schools, clubs and other organisations to raise funds through the collection of pre-loved reusable clothing. They are doing a collection from Wallace Fields Junior School on 10th October 2025 Please drop off items by the school gate before 9am on that day. Children were sent home with a Happy Bag but if you have lost yours or have too much to include then any bin bag or plastic bag will be fine.

Please keep any second hand logoed uniform and bring into school for the next uniform sale by the PTA.

We accept	We don't accept
✓ Adult and children's clothing	✗ Dirty, Damaged, Wet Clothes
✓ Paired Shoes	✗ Uniforms, Underclothing
✓ Fashion accessories	✗ Toys, Books, DVD's
✓ Handbags, Belts,	✗ Duvets, Pillows, Household linen
✓ Hats, Scarves	✗ Carpets, Blankets, Curtains
✓ Jewellery, Perfumes	✗ Bric-a-Brac
Please ensure that all items placed in the bags are in good REUSABLE condition. Thank you	

## Flu Vaccination - Wednesday 8th October 2025

Surrey Immunisation Service is coming in to Wallace Fields Junior School to administer the **flu vaccinations on Wednesday 8th October 2025**. We sent you a letter earlier in the week with more information. Please complete the e-consent form by Thursday 2nd October 2025. Please visit [www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk](https://www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk)<sup>5</sup> and enter your school's unique code **SR125298** (For Years 3 – 6). If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine, we ask you to complete a consent form and select the 'No' option.

Please see further information about the NHS child flu vaccine on this You Tube clip.

Year 6 will also have their height and weight check when the nurses come in for the flu vaccination.

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<sup>5</sup><https://www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk>



<https://youtu.be/IemX05TO4lw>

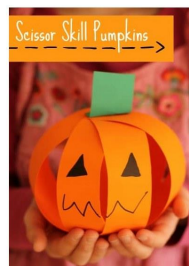
## Pumpkin Making Competition

# The annual pumpkin-making competition is back!



Design your own pumpkin using either materials that you have at home or, if you need materials, please speak to Mrs Curran. Be as creative as you can. The winning designs will receive a prize. (1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> in lower school and the best pumpkin in Year 5 and 6 will receive a prize). The final hand-in date for your pumpkin creations is the **15<sup>th</sup> of October**. The winners will be called out in assembly on the **17<sup>th</sup> of October**.

Please see some design ideas on the slides that follow. We can't wait to see your awesome pumpkins!



## Beaded pumpkin





## Awesome pumpkin making ideas



## More PTA and Fundraising Events

**YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!**

**WALLACE FIELDS  
JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA**

GET INVOLVED WITH THE PTA TO HELP MAKE OUR  
SCHOOL A BETTER PLACE  
YOU CAN DO AS MUCH OR AS LITTLE AS YOU CAN  
TAKE THE LEAD ON AN EVENT  
OR JUST GIVE US AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME  
HELP US BUILD A STRONG SCHOOL COMMUNITY

**NEW PTA TEAM:**  
**CHAIR: MALIHA (YR 3)**  
**VICE CHAIR: NICOLA (YR 5)**  
**TREASURER: SARAH (YR 6)**  
**COMMUNICATIONS LEAD: MARY (YR 5)**

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL & WALLACE  
FIELDS NURSERY & INFANT SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS

# FIREWORKS NIGHT

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

GATES OPEN AT 4:30PM  
AT WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL

ADULTS £10 - KIDS 4-16YRS £6  
UNDER 4S FREE

HOT DOGS & PIZZA  
BAR - SWEET TREATS  
GLOW STALL  
FREE PRIZE WINNING TRAIL

VOLUNTEER SLOTS GO LIVE AT 8pm  
ON WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER - SIGN  
UP TO GET PRIORITY EVENT TICKETS

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL HALL

## Halloween Disco

£5

INCLUDES DRINK  
AND SNACK

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

[WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK](http://WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK)

WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

4.30PM TO 5.30PM

FANCY DRESS  
OPTIONAL -  
PRIZES FOR  
BEST COSTUMES

CHILD FRIENDLY  
HALLOWEEN  
COSTUMES PLEASE



## YEAR 3



### Year 3 Homework

It has been a fantastic start to Year 3 and the children have settled into junior school life well. Last week was the first week children were set homework and we saw a great effort from lots of individuals however some are not completing the set tasks so here is a reminder: Homework consists of:

- **Reading** at least 3 times a week at home - to be noted and signed in the Reading Record.
- **Spelling Shed** - 3 x 10 minute games will be set on a Monday.
- **Times Tables Rock Stars** - 10 x 1 minute games will be set on a Monday.



- **Mathletics** - 1 x 30 minute quest will be set on a Wednesday.
- **Handwriting** - a written activity will be sent home in dedicated handwriting books on a Wednesday. Please could children complete with a sharp pencil in an appropriate seated position.

All homework is due in on the following Monday. Children who do not complete homework will attend Catch Up Zone to allow time to catch up on any incomplete or missed work. We have spoken to those who did not complete their homework today to ensure they understand the expectations and have reiterated that if there are any problems, please let their teacher know.

Kind regards, Year 3 Team

## YEAR 4

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF TEA & CAKE

SIBLINGS AND GRANDPARENTS WELCOME

# YEAR 4 TEA PARTY



MEET THE HEAD TEACHER, DEPUTY HEAD  
TEACHER AND CLASS TEACHERS

VIEW YOUR CHILDS WORK AND LISTEN TO  
THEM SING

09 OCTOBER '25  
2-3PM

WE KINDLY ASK FOR BAKED OR BOUGHT CAKE DONATIONS.  
PLEASE DELIVER TO THE SCHOOL ON THE MORNING OF THE EVENT.

REMEMBER! WE ARE A STRICTLY NO NUTS SCHOOL.  
PLEASE PROVIDE A LIST OF INGREDIENTS.

## YEAR 5



### Year 5 Old Pillow Cases/Sheets Needed

Donations of old pillow cases, bed sheets or shirts (preferably white!) are still needed for the children's leaf artwork. We have some fabric left from last year which we have used, though not enough for the backing. It can be an old used one or a very cheap new one. Please bring them in as soon as possible so we can start cutting them up ready for the upcoming art lessons.

### REMINDER - Year 5 River Trip Thursday 2nd October 2025

Many thanks for the offers of help for the Hogsmill River trip for next Thursday 2nd October. We have now been able to fully staff this trip within school. However, we greatly appreciate

the parents who were willing to volunteer and we will contact you if we require assistance for future trips.

The children are very excited about their river trip. We will be leaving school at 9.30am and returning to school at 3.00pm. Please note, pick up and drop off is as usual.

This trip is completely free of charge. As we already have parental consent for local walking trips, you do not need to sign a permission slip.

For the trip, all children will need:

- A packed lunch
- Water bottle (plus an additional drink for their lunch- no fizzy drinks/glass bottles please)
- A waterproof jacket/coat
- Trainers to change into at school in a carrier bag (the walk can get muddy in places)
- A clipboard (if you have one)
- Children will be required to wear their school uniform and must bring a warm waterproof coat. They will change into their trainers once they are at school.

## YEAR 6



### Year 6 - The Ambassador Elections

This week Mrs Day held an assembly to advertise to Year 6 pupils two new school roles for school ambassadors. This is an exciting role at WFJS holds a great deal of importance and responsibility across the school.

Ambassadors will:-

- Lead and represent the pupils at school-wide functions, such as Open Days and Parents' Consultation Days, meeting with and talking to adults and pupils.
- Be expected to lead school-wide tours for visitors and to answer questions as well as share the schools vision with visitors.



- Be required to chair one of the School Council meetings, expected to lead on meetings within this committee and liaise with the relevant members of SLT to discuss the ideas presented.
- Be expected to speak in front of parents and members of SLT, discussing their experiences and sharing the ideas of pupils in a formal manner.
- Prepare & lead assemblies a year to promote the school's vision on the 2025-2026 vision linked to: promoting sustainability, raising awareness about climate change, encouraging eco awareness and supporting our vision for outdoor learning.

This is open to all Year 6 children in addition to any other prefect roles and responsibilities. They will need to complete an application form by **Wednesday 1st October 2025**. Application forms can be collected from Mrs Day.

The teachers will short list applicants and the finalists will be asked to make a 2 minute presentation to the whole school in an assembly on **Monday 13th October 2025**. All children will then vote for a candidate to represent them and our school. The 2 winning candidates will be announced in the following week's assembly.

### Year 6 Roles and Responsibilities

As part of the school's drive to continually develop independence, resilience and get all the children secondary ready, the Year 6 children are given the chance to take on responsibilities. These range across the school to include things such as prefects, librarians, peer mentors, house captains, head teacher helpers, monitors, sports crew and digital leaders. The roles include key positions that will help develop their abilities to apply themselves, follow instruction effectively and work together as a team.

They can put themselves forward for specific roles and many of them are keen to get involved. The children selected three roles (after having each role explained) and they were each awarded one of their three choices. This year, most children were awarded their first choice though some roles were so popular that names were selected using a randomiser. Next week we will begin training them all for their roles.

The full list of roles and responsibilities will be published shortly on the school website. We are so proud of how the Year 6 children help the school run effectively and they are true role models for the rest of their younger peers. We very clear evidence that these roles and responsibilities **inspire** the rest of the school and staff. (BELIEVE).

### Year 6 Height & Weight Check

Each year in England, school children in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. Height and weight measurements are used to calculate weight status. To find out more about the programme

and how the data will be used, please visit [www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-weight/national-child-measurement-programme/](http://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-weight/national-child-measurement-programme/)<sup>6</sup>

During the Autumn and Spring term members of the School Aged Immunisation and Screening team weigh and measure children fully clothed, except for their coats and shoes, in a private space away from other pupils.

**This is a national opt out programme and if you do not wish your child to be measured please email the team as [scfh.contact@hcrhcaregroup.com](mailto:scfh.contact@hcrhcaregroup.com) putting in the email title NCMP Opt Out and name of your child's school.** In the email please state your child's name and date of birth or NHS number to identify them and confirm that you wish to opt out of the measurement screening programme. If you do not opt out the results will be sent to you via the contact details on our electronic system. If your child's measurements fall outside the normal range details of further support will be included in this communication.

If you do not receive your results please contact our advice line on 0300 247 0025 option 3. Children do not have to take part on the day if they do not want to.

### How to Apply for Secondary Schools for your Year 6 Child



## Is your child in year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place by **31 October 2025**. Applying on time gives you a better chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions) or you can call us on 0300 200 1004.



**Apply online**  
apply on time by  
31 October 2025

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<sup>6</sup><https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-weight/national-child-measurement-programme/>

## How do I apply?

- The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online. Visit [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](https://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions) to access the application form and more information on the application process and admission arrangements for Surrey schools. It is important that you consider this information carefully when you make your application.
- You can start your online application any time from 1 September 2025 but you must have completed it by 31 October 2025. We would suggest you submit your application by **Friday 24 October 2025**, before the half-term holiday.
- You can download the app **ParentComms** to your mobile device to receive notifications about your application.
- Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email.
- On **2 March 2026** you will receive an email with the outcome of your application and, if you have registered for **ParentComms**, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.
- You will need to accept or decline your offer of a school place online by **16 March 2026**.

## 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. You should contact schools directly if you'd like to arrange a visit.
- You can name up to six schools on your application form, in the order that you prefer them. Where possible the local authority will allocate a place at one of these schools.
- Schools will not know where you have ranked them on the application form so the order of your preferences does not disadvantage you.
- The local authority has a duty to provide a place for your child but it does not have to be at one of your preferred schools.
- If you have an older child already at the school, you must still apply for a younger child.
- If you have more than one child applying for a school place, you must make a separate application for each of them.
- If you live in Surrey you must apply to Surrey, even if the schools you list are outside Surrey.
- Some schools may need you to submit a supplementary information form in addition to the application form. Find out more about supplementary information forms at [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](https://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions).
- If you are registered for council tax you must supply the name of the borough or district and the council tax account number for the property where your child normally lives. Otherwise you will be asked to provide evidence of where your child lives.
- When applying online you must make sure that you press 'submit' at the end of your application and that you receive a confirmation email which sets out your preferences and confirms your application reference number.
- If you do not receive a confirmation email you should check your application to ensure its status has been changed to 'submitted'.
- If you write to us or submit information to support an application, remember to include your child's name, date of birth and application reference number (if you applied online).
- If your child has an education, health and care plan, there is a separate process and you will receive more information from your child's SEND Case Officer.


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### No internet?

If you don't have internet access at home, why not visit your local library? Just call 03456 009 009 to book a computer and you can use the internet for free.

To request a paper application form or for all other enquiries, you can call us on 0300 200 1004.

[surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](https://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions)

### Important dates

**1 September 2025**  
You can apply online for a school place.

**24 October 2025**  
We suggest you submit your secondary application by this date as this is the Friday before the half term holiday.

**31 October 2025**  
Closing date for secondary applications but we welcome early applications.

**2 March 2026**  
Secondary outcomes will be sent by post or email. If you applied online, you will receive an email in the evening with the outcome and you can also view your school offer online. If you registered for ParentComms, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.

**By 16 March 2026**  
You must confirm whether you wish to accept or decline the place you have been offered.

**By 13 April 2026**  
For many schools, if you wish to appeal, you should submit it by this date so that it can be heard by 16 June 2026. Other schools may have different appeal deadlines.

### Is your child in year 6?

If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 you will need to apply for a secondary school place by 31 October 2025.



**Apply online**  
apply on time by 31 October 2025

## SPORTS TEAMS and FIXTURES

### Year 5 & Year 6 Boys' Football Team Update

The final football trials for the squad is tonight, Thursday 25th September 2025 for Year 5. So we should be able to announce shortly who has been selected to take part in the team.

For the selected team - Training will start on **Thursday 2nd October 3.30pm-4.30pm every week**. Training is free and with Coach George of NS Sport. Matches will also predominantly be on a Thursday. We will let you know as soon as possible by email if your son has been selected and give you a link for Spond communications.

For those disappointed that they haven't made the team, we are in discussions about creating a development squad. We will keep you posted on this.

**Paid Football Club** If your child does not make the team or just wants to play more football, then there are still spaces for Year 5 and Year 6 Wednesday girls' and boys' after school **paid football club with NS Sport**. Click here<sup>7</sup> for more information.

<sup>7</sup><https://nssport2.co.uk/>

## Girls' Football First Upper School Fixture - Thursday 2nd October 2025

**Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football have their first fixture is next Thursday 2nd October 2025.** It is an away match v St Martins Away Match 3.45pm arrival for a 4pm kick off. Parents/carers of girls selected to play have been invited by SPOND. For those not invited to play in this match there will NOT be training after school.

The following girls have been selected: Alice Mc, Annelise F, Eliana A, Emily A, Francesca L, Layla B, Marta H, Peggy K, Sara L, Scarlet B, Scarlet O and Vivienne M. All parents/carers have been emailed to confirm. If you have not done so already please sign up for SPOND with the link sent to receive details of fixtures. Thank you.

## Tag Rugby Squad - First Fixture Friday 26th September 2025

We look forward to the tag rugby team taking part in their first fixture at Sutton and Epsom Rugby Club on **Friday 26th September 2025 3.45pm-4.50pm**

The tag rugby team is as follows: **William C, Dylan L, Josh K, Lucas E, Finley KQ, Lander S, Benjamin M, Peggy K, Olivia W, Alma C and Eliana A.** If you have not done so already please download the SPOND app and click on the link provided in the email to receive information about fixtures and extra training etc.

The children will be provided with a rugby kit a couple of days before and you can keep that kit until the end of the rugby season. The children should wear football boots, coat, and water bottle.

The next fixture date for the calendar is **Friday 21st November 2025 3.45pm-4.50pm.**

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS & OTHER NEWS

### Dojo Rewards

Parents can see the positive praise children have received throughout the day via 'Class Dojo Rewards' on the **free version** of the Dojo App. Dojos are an electronic form of house points that run alongside physical house point tokens. **There is no need to purchase or pay for the app.** We do not use Class Dojo as communication with parents. **Do not pay for any aspect of Class Dojo.** Any messages via Class Dojo do not go to the teachers so if parents / carers have a message for staff, they should contact [office@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk)<sup>8</sup>

### Cycle Helmets Compulsory and E-bikes & E-Scooters Not Permitted

Please remember that children must wear cycle helmets if they cycle to school.

A quick reminder that E-bikes and e-scooters are not permitted due to them being heavy, dangerous and most importantly a fire risk on the school grounds.

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## Unauthorised Absence

Please email [office@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk) if your child is to be absent for any reason.

As parents, you have a legal responsibility to ensure your child's attendance at school. During the academic year, pupils are at school for 190 days and at home for 175 days. Please be aware that the School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 state that **headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time** unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Unauthorised absence of **5 days or more** will result in the following action being taken:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the **rolling 3 year period** will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the **Magistrates Court** under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Headteacher will consider the reasons for absence request carefully and will notify parents/carers of the decision. In the absence of a decision, parents/carers cannot assume that permission for the absence has been given.

For further information, please click [here](#)<sup>9</sup> and refer to our School Attendance Policy.

## 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. It is all about the creativity!

If your child would like to enter, details can be found on the BBC website.

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<sup>9</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/attendance>



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

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!

Good luck!

**Miss Day, English Writing and Phonics Lead**

### Reminder - Earrings Not Permitted for P.E.

Children wearing earrings are not permitted to do P.E. or games due to health and safety guidelines. We have asked the infant school to send a helpful reminder parents in Year 2 (at the end of the summer term) to get ears pierced at the start of the summer holiday so that they are fully cured for the start of term.

**Please ensure your child can take out their own earrings on PE days or take them out in the morning before school.**

Thank you

## SAFEGUARDING and WELLBEING

At the National College, we have produced this guide to empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health, and device usage. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, facts and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

### What Parents & Educators Need to Know about GROUP CHATS

On messaging apps, social media and online games, group chats are one of the most popular ways that children connect. Group chats allow messages, images and videos to be shared in one place and help friendships flourish; however, they also come with a number of risks.

#### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- TEASING AND BULLYING**  
Children of all ages are keen to fit in socially, and group chats can sometimes become places where they feel excluded. When group chats can foster connections, they can also give way to mean comments or jokes at someone's expense. Bullying can happen in group chats, when bullying happens publicly, in front of multiple and potentially large numbers of people, it can be more embarrassing and hurtful. It can also lead to the exclusion of someone, leading to embarrassment, anxiety and feelings of isolation for the child being targeted.
- UNKNOWN MEMBERS**  
Children often can't control who is added to a group chat. They can feel that privacy is being lost, and that their chat is no longer just for the people they want to talk to. Some members of the chat might even decide to use such information maliciously.
- PEER PRESSURE**  
Children may feel they have to constantly stay engaged just to be included and keep up with the conversation. In some cases, they might partake in inappropriate behaviour – like sharing explicit photos, jokes or teasing – just to fit in. Group settings can also encourage children to act in ways they normally wouldn't. Of this kind, when they know something is wrong, out of fear of being excluded, some children may find it difficult to leave such group chats.
- INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**  
Some group chats may include inappropriate language or images. Even if a child can't leave a group chat, they can still see the content. They may also be exposed to this content simply by being part of the group. Some apps have disallowing messages, where content is only available once or for a few seconds, which makes it harder for children to report something they've seen.
- EXCLUSION AND ISOLATION**  
Exclusion in group chats is common and can take several forms. Sometimes a group chat is created specifically to leave one child out on purpose. In other cases, the chat may become an in-joke that a child doesn't have access to. Missing an important message or being left out can cause feelings of being left out.
- VIDEO AND LIVE CHATS**  
Many popular apps allow children to engage in live streaming with interactive chats or have group video chats. Anyone can be added to these chats, and often children tag peers in the comments and have conversations which are unsupervised. There is a risk of being exposed to inappropriate or violent content and offensive language, either in the group video or via the group chats.

#### Advice for Parents & Educators

- CONSIDER OTHERS' FEELINGS**  
Group chats can become an arena for children to compete for social status. Help children consider how people might feel if they become excluded. If a child does upset someone, encourage them to think about how they might apologise for their mistake.
- SUPPORT, NOT JUDGEMENT**  
Group chats are an excellent way for children to connect and feel like they belong. However, remind them that they can't control who is added to a group chat. Instead of responding to the person who's upset them, validate their feelings and encourage them to discuss how they'd like to handle the situation. You can also encourage children to speak up if they witness others being bullied.
- SET SOME GROUP CHAT RULES**  
Discuss safe group chat practices, such as making a plan for content before adding them to a group chat, or having a group chat if it's through a school. Tell children that if they're added to a group chat, they should be respectful, it's OK for them to leave immediately.
- BLOCK, REPORT AND LEAVE**  
If a child encounters inappropriate content, or feels uncomfortable in a group chat, encourage them to block and report the person and leave the group. Make sure children know it's OK to leave a group chat if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe.
- PRACTISE SAFE SHARING**  
It's vital for children to be aware of what they're sharing and who might potentially see it. Remind them that sharing personal details – like their address, their school, or photos they wouldn't like to be seen online – means that their privacy is shared in a group chat. They can't be certain where it might end up or how it might be used.
- SILENCE NOTIFICATIONS**  
Being bombarded with notifications from a group chat can be an irritating distraction. Encourage them to turn off notifications for the group chat. Explain to children that they can still be part of a group chat while disabling notifications. In fact, it would be healthier for them to do so, helping them avoid the pressure to respond immediately.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at @Cyberworks, who has presented on bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools in Australia and the UK. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government, comparing the internet use and online behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

**Wake Up Wednesday**  
The National College

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## NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. Programme

Mrs Day (Deputy Head) delivered the NSPCC's 'Speak out. Stay safe' programme this week. This is for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline. This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and in the next two weeks the teachers will be delivering supporting classroom activities. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy. If you would like to know more about the Speak out. Stay safe. programme visit <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/>

Click here<sup>10</sup> for More Information About Safeguarding at Wallace Fields Junior School

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## CLUBS

### Gardening Club Update

Apologies for Gardening Club's last minute cancellation this week. There will definitely be Gardening Club on Tuesday 30th September 2025.

Please can children who want to take part bring in a pair of gardening gloves please (or alternatively school purchase some for us )

Please remember to send them in with a coat and old shoes/ boots in case the weather is wet.

If any parents can donate small trowels / forks they will be most welcome.

Next week there will be the planting seeds of broad beans, onions, radish, and garlic ready for spring harvesting.

The pumpkins 🎃 will also be picked next week for display at school.

### Change to JAG's Cancellation Policy - More Flexibility!

We are writing to share some positive news regarding our booking and cancellation policy, which came into effect on **Monday 15th September**.

Back in May, we extended our cancellation window from 7 days to 28 days. While well-intentioned, families told us this didn't provide the flexibility they needed. Importantly, we have not returned to the old 7-day model. Instead, we have listened carefully to what parents and carers have told us and **moved further forward** – introducing a **48-hour**

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<sup>10</sup><https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/safeguarding>

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**cancellation policy across all of our services** (breakfast clubs, after school clubs, and holiday clubs).

### What this means for families

- Families can now cancel or amend their child's booking up to **48 hours before the session** begins.
- Any cancelled sessions will be credited back to their JAG account for future use.
- Parents can book ahead with confidence, knowing that if plans change, JAG offers the flexibility they need.
- Instalment payment options and permanent booking functionality continue to give families even greater control over how they book childcare.

You can view the full policy update here: <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/parent-support/advice/making-childcare-work-around-you-new-48-hour-cancellation-period/>

### Back to School, Back to JAG Wrap Around Care



JAG Wraparound Care Clubs are back this year at our school — keeping children active, happy and thriving before and after school.

- ⚽ Team games to build confidence
- 💡 Creative activities to spark imagination
- 💛 100% screen-free fun with friends

👤 **New to JAG? Register here:**

<https://bookings.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login><sup>12</sup> 📅 **Already have an account? Book now:**

<https://bookings.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login><sup>13</sup> 🔍 **Find your school club:** <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/><sup>14</sup>

**#BackToSchool #WraparoundCare #WherePlayFindsPotential**

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<sup>12</sup>[https://bookings.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login?utm\\_source=chatgpt.com](https://bookings.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login?utm_source=chatgpt.com)

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<sup>14</sup>[https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/?utm\\_source=chatgpt.com](https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/find-us/?utm_source=chatgpt.com)

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Scouting Achievement

Will KB (3D) was promoted to Lodge Leader at Beavers this week. Congratulations on achieving this position.



# Rosebery School Open Mornings

Come to one of our Open Mornings this October to see our school in action. Visit us on any of the dates below:

Friday 3 October 2025  
Tuesday 7 October 2025  
Thursday 9 October 2025

Welcome Talk at 9.15am  
Tours available between 9.15am to 10.15am

There is **no need to book** if you wish to tour the school without attending a talk. Parking **will not** be available onsite; please do not expect to park in any of the roads near school. Instead, we encourage visitors to travel by public transport and/or walk the last part of the journey. Parking restrictions apply in **all local roads**

Visit [www.roseberyschool.co.uk](http://www.roseberyschool.co.uk)  
to book a Welcome Talk



1 - One open day session will be authorised per child.

### VIRTUAL NHS ENGLAND SOUTH EAST ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS INSIGHT EVENT

Are you a student, parent/carer or teacher, or considering a change in career?

Join this event to hear about all the roles within allied health professions (AHPs) and the career and educational pathways available, including apprenticeships

There will be a diverse panel of speakers, talking about different settings an AHP could work in, sharing their insights and experiences

**LIVE Q&A SESSION**

Scan the code or click this link - [HERE](#)

Thursday 16 October 2025 6:00 – 7:00 pm

For more information contact: [england.southeastapprenticeships@nhs.net](mailto:england.southeastapprenticeships@nhs.net)

### VIRTUAL NHS ENGLAND SOUTH EAST HEALTH CARE SUPPORT WORKER INSIGHT WEBINAR

Are you a student, parent/carer or teacher, wanting to learn more about a career in Health or Care?

Join this online event to learn more about the role of the Health Care Support Worker, including different opportunities and potential career progression in Health and Care settings

There will be a diverse panel of speakers, talking about a typical day of a Health Care Support Worker and the different areas and specialities they work in and professions they work alongside

**LIVE Q&A SESSION**

Register by scanning the QR code  
Or by clicking [here](#)

THURSDAY 9th OCTOBER  
6PM – 7PM

For more information contact: [england.southeastapprenticeships@nhs.net](mailto:england.southeastapprenticeships@nhs.net)