

Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter



Friday 6th June 2025

KEY DATES

- Monday 9th to Friday 13th June 2025 Walking to School Week
- Monday 9th June 2025 Year 5 & 6 Selected Pupils swimming

- Tuesday 10th June 2025 Year 4 trip to Painshill Park
- Wednesday 11th June 2025
 - **8.45am** Year 6 French trip **medications** in hall
 - "Wacky Sock Wednesday" with school uniform.
- Thursday 12th June 2025
 - All Year Group Photos
 - Friday Theatre Arts children may attend on the Thursday this week Please let club leader know
- Friday 13th June 2025
 - No Theatre Arts Club today (they may attend on Thursday instead)
 - Year 6 French Market Tasting 1.10pm -3.00pm Parent Volunteers still needed
 - No girls' football at lunchtime or after school
 - **PTA** Fathers'/Special Person Day

Click Here¹ for Upcoming Events

Click here² for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar. Click Here³ for School Term Dates and INSET days

Head's Update

Mrs. Boddy Retiring After 27 Years at Wallace Fields Juniors!

Mrs Boddy is part of our admin team and I am sure most of you know her if you have been into the school office. Obviously, I have known Mrs Boddy for all the time I have been here at Wallace Fields Juniors and she has been an incredible member of the team. I am aware that a few people were asking about this and now it is official, so for our Celebration Afternoon / Summer Fair the children will be singing a special song dedicated to Mrs Boddy as part of the celebrations and Mrs Boddy will have the opportunity to say a few words. The school does not formally have any WhatsApp groups though I know there are parent groups out there so please spread the word. We are having a private celebration at the end of the summer term so it would be lovely if some representatives of the PTA came along to that celebration. Current and former staff, teachers and governors are welcome to come along also. We will say our proper farewells at the end of term.

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

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

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

Summer Uniform

Some children are wearing cycling shorts or Lycra shorts for summer uniform in PE. Uniform is red shorts (they do not have to be branded) or grey or black leggings, not tight or black shorts. Obviously for Bikeability (Year 6) this is overlooked, however it is not an option in any other circumstances.

Year 6 Hoodies are not school uniform so cannot be worn in class – they must wear a jumper if they are concerned about being cold. Hoodies can be worn in breaks and at lunchtimes though a coat is expected to be worn on rainy days as hoodies are not waterproof.

Gives Us Your Views - Please Complete Your Parent Questionnaire

We are keen to get your views and opinions in our endless efforts to improve and provide the very best for the children. We need your feedback and your constructive input and creative ideas to help the school improve and grow. Please complete the Google form below by Friday 4th July 2025. your views are very much appreciated and your positive input is needed to know what is going well - so do leave it up to the complainers - tell us what you think if your child is loving it at Wallace Fields Juniors. It should should take about ten minutes. Thank you.

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THIS WEEK

Stars of the Week



Year 3 Stars of the Week will be completed on Monday's assembly as they were at Wisley today.

This week's **Stars of the Week** were announced in assembly - 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.

BELIEVE AWARDS



The BELIEVE Award winners for Year 4, 5 and 6 today as Year 3 were out at Wisley.

The Believe Award is presented to those children who show all of the school values including brilliance, enthusiasm, learning, inspiration, equality, vision and every pupil matters. 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. This is not simply an academic award but more of one of improving and showing willing, teamwork and resilience. 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. Congratulations to this month's winners.

Drumming Assembly

Drumming has definitely seen an increased profile in the school over the last few weeks as we were very kindly donated a kit by an ex-governor. This week we were treated to some very cool beats when Bobby, a drummer who performs in West End shows and neighbour of Mrs Day, visited the school to share his talents during our music assembly. He got everyone involved practising single, double and paradiddle strokes on their knees and a few children were lucky enough to have a go on the real kit themselves. He then performed a solo which very much inspired us all! Here are a few photos from the afternoon.











Year 3 Wisley Trip

Year 3 had a great time at Wisley. Luckily, the weather was on our side! The children got to explore a wide variety of plants by exploring the gardens and Glass House. We also helped out in the gardens by planting seeds and observing wildlife. 3T managed to spot a centipede whilst 3D were lucky enough to see a frog and a newt! Thank you to our helpers Mrs Fowler, Mrs Murtagh, Mrs Baxter, Mrs Garsden, Mrs De Bliquy and Mrs Hernandez. Have a restful weekend, Year 3! Miss Day and Mr Taylor.

Look out next week for more photos from the trip which will be published on our school website.



Happy Bags

Thank you so much for all those who contributed to the Happy Bags unwanted clothes collection on Monday 2nd June 2025. We raised £148.05 towards the school funds.

Future Dates for Happy Bag Collections for your diary are as follows: Friday 10th October 2025, Wednesday 4th February 2026 and Thursday 4th June 2026.







We are still looking for a new PTA chair! Don't be scared of the commitment - we think reworking how events are run is the way forward - smaller teams each taking control of different events throughout the year! Get in touch for a chat to see if the next chair or co-chairs could be you!

There will be no PTA from September if no one steps forward...

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

wfjspta@gmail.com facebook.com/groups/wfjspta











Coming Up and Important Information

Please Return All School Sports Kits to School

Please can any school sports kits be returned to school by end of next week please. They are costly to replace and we are still missing a few from the kit boxes. Thank you.

Jacket Potato and Wraps Offered at School Lunches Next Week!

From Monday 9th June 2025, we are going to be offering a third choice of school lunch for all year groups. There will be a selection of wraps or jacket potato throughout the week. There will be a certain number each day, so they can decide if they would like the main meal choices or the third choice. based on how popular this third choice is the catering crew will

extend the offer beyond next week. It is a first come first served basis so the third choice is not guaranteed if it proves very popular!

Walking to School Week 9th to 13th June 2025

Join us at Wallace Fields from the 9th- 13th June 2025 as we put our best foot forward!

Walking to school is a fun, healthy, and eco-friendly way to start the day. This special week is all about encouraging families to leave the car at home and enjoy the benefits of walking to school. Whether it's a short stroll or a longer adventure, every step counts! If you have to drive to school why not park a little further away and walk the last section.

Walking to school helps:

- Boost children's physical and mental health
- Improve concentration and readiness to learn
- Reduce traffic congestion and pollution around the school
- Build independence and road safety awareness

Prizes wait for the best class and the best individuals. Lastly join us on **Wednesday 11th June 2025** the middle of walking to school week for "*Wacky Sock Wednesday*". If you walk to school on Wednesday then you can walk to school in your uniform however you can also wear your most favourite socks – these could be bright, bold, beautiful, colourful or even wacky!

Donate Previously Owned Uniform Please

Please bring into the School Office any second hand uniform by the end of June. We are particularly looking for smaller sizes as the next second hand uniform sale is on **Tuesday 1st July 2025** for the new Year 3 intake children.

School Dinner Tasting Session 1st July 11.00am

Thanks for all those who came along to the School Dinner tasting session this week. Our head chef Emma was available to answer questions and explain the specific dietary requirements they cater for in creating these nutritious and healthy meals. The next session will be held on **Tuesday 1st July at 11.00am** in the diner. It is primarily for new parents however if you missed the last tasting session and want to get a real taste of what the children are eating, including the hot meals and puddings then feel free to come along via the office.



YEAR 3 & 4

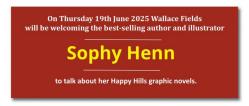
Author Visit - Thursday 19th June 2025

On Thursday 19th June, Year 3 and Year 4 have an exciting visit from the author, Sophy Henn. Sophy Henn is the creator of many graphic novels and is coming to talk to the children about her latest book, Happy Hills 3. This is a similar style book to much loved novels such as Cat Kid, Dog Man and Bunny Vs Monkey. Sophy will be in school to talk to the children about how to create a graphic novel, how to invent characters and there will be 'draw along' opportunities for children to experience being an illustrator too.

After the session, Sophy will be selling her 'Happy Hills' book and meeting the children who would like to purchase a signed copy. If your child would like to buy a book, please send them into school with the cash in a sealed envelope on Thursday 19th June - see flyer attached for details.

In order to for us gauge numbers and ensure Sophy brings enough books on the day, please register your interest on the attached Google form by Monday 9th June.

https://forms.gle/MFG1xM1SaNZFvAJF6





There will be an opportunity to purchase signed books.

Please order by 9th June.

Books will be £8 each, 2 copies for £15 and 3 copies for £22.

Please send your child to school with cash on the day in a sealed envelope.

Clearly marked with with how many books to purchase and their name/form.





YEAR 4

Does Your Year 4 Child Suffer from Travel or Motion Sickness?

The children will be going on a coach journey to **Painshill Park** so if they suffer from **travel sickness or motion sickness**, please inform your child's class teacher **before** the day of the trip. We aim to sit children with travel sickness downstairs on the coach and only have limited numbers so would be grateful for any information prior to the trip. On the day of the trip, please administer medicine well before the journey and give their teacher (on the morning of the trip) the named box for the return journey, if required. Please complete an administration of medicine form which is available by downloading from our school website by clicking here⁴.

Reminder: Tracking Tags are Not Permitted on Trips or Visits

Electronics or chargeable items including tracking tags (Apple or others similar tracking devices), smart devices such as apple watches or mobile phones —**are not permitted** on any trips or visits. Please note that these tags are for personal use only and are not designed to track children. As consent has not been given by all parents, we kindly request that you respect the privacy of those, who do not wish to be tracked and those who simply cannot be tracked for personal reasons.

⁴https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/forms

Any trackers found by staff - using a location app, will be confiscated and parents/carers can collect from the head teacher or deputy head. Mobile phones - both 'block' phones and smartphones are banned from trips and visits.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Year 4 Trip to Painshill Park on Tuesday 10th June 2025

The Year 4 children will be off to Painshill Park on Tuesday 10th June 2025. Please ensure your child is prompt into school for registration at the normal time as the coach will be leaving school promptly at 9 a.m. Children can go straight into their classroom when they arrive at 8.40am. We will be back at school before 3.30pm for pick up as normal.

Children do not need to wear their school uniform. They should wear sensible outdoor clothing and comfortable shoes or trainers. They should wear light long sleeve/leg layers and not shorts as there are nettles and long grass where ticks may be present. Children will be pond dipping so please ensure any cuts on arms and legs are covered with a waterproof plaster. Gloves will be provided if learners would like to wear them for the pond dipping. Weather can always be changeable so please keep an eye on weather and equip them appropriately. All children should bring a light waterproof jacket as well as a sun hat. Please apply sun cream in the morning before the trip and include a named bottle of sun cream in their bag.

If your child suffers from travel or motion sickness please email the School Office by Monday 9th June 2025 by emailing Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁵ so we can assign them a downstairs seat on the coach. Please give child travel or motion sickness tablet in the morning before the journey, if required. Hand in tablets in a named packet to a member of staff on the morning of the trip for the return dose.

They should take drinks and a packed lunch in a small backpack. No nuts or products containing nuts or sesame seed such as nutty flapjacks, sesame seed bread or Nutella products. Please bring a large named water bottle. No pocket money will be required please. Please remove any air tags or tracking devices from backpacks as these are not permitted on the trip.

Thank you to everyone that offered to **help on this trip.** We have contacted parents / carers that we have asked to join us. We are looking forward to an interesting and exciting day.

A few photographs will be taken of the trip and published on the school website later in the week.

⁵mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

YEAR 5

Year 5 Science Fair – Monday 14th July 2025, 9.30am -10.00am – Parents Welcome

We would like to invite parents/carers to come in to view the Year 5 science fair on **Monday 14th July 2025**, **9.30am to 10am**. The event will take place outside on the playground, near the shade sail area - weather permitting (or the school hall, if it is raining). The children will present their science fair projects to the rest of the school throughout the day. Children must remember to bring in their science project on Monday 14th July 2025 and will come in as normal for registration. Children will be encouraged to bring home their science projects at the end of the day. We really appreciate all your support with the science fair. We are always amazed by the children's high quality projects and the confidence they show when explaining them to the whole school, staff and parents. We cannot wait for the science fair 2025!



Year 5 Dance Festival Rehearsals have started. Get Tickets ASAP!

Rehearsals for those selected for the dance festival started on Friday 16th May 2025 and will continue every Friday lunchtime until the festival.

If you would like come along and watch the show; tickets will be available to purchase from the theatre box office and online at www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk⁶ from **NOW**. They sell out very, very quickly so please don't delay as many less-organised parents have been disappointed in the past.

⁶http://www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk/





Transition to Secondary School

Summer Holiday Support Sessions

Is your Year 6 child feeling anxious about starting secondary school?

Learning Space & YMCA East Surrey are offering 1:1 young person & parent/carers support sessions during the summer holidays to help ease the transition.

These sessions focus on addressing anxiety, worries, building resilience and celebrating each child's strengths.

Sessions are available either in Tadworth, Redhill or online. Your child can attend one or two sessions. Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Parents and careers can sign up using the QR code/link https://forms.office.com/e/GHtAgndK3z



Year 6 Key School Production and Leavers' Event Dates

- Tuesday 8th July 2025 9.30am Year 6 Dress Rehearsal
- Wednesday 9th July 2025 Year 6 Production (1) 6.30pm 8.30pm
- Thursday 10th July 2025 Year 6 Production (2) 6.30pm 8.30pm
- Monday 14th July 2025 4.30pm 5.45pm Year 6 Leavers' Disco
- Wednesday 16th July 2025 Year 6 Decade Day Dressing Up
- Thursday 17th July 2025 Leavers' Assembly

Year 6 French Food Tasting

The Year 6 children have been learning food related vocabulary and expressions recently in preparation for their French trip.

To prepare them for this and to celebrate their achievements, we will be holding a **French Market tasting event on Friday, 13th June 2025** in the diner. Children will be able to taste some culinary delights from France including cheeses, saucisson, fruit, and a selection of tasty French pastries.

We kindly ask for a contribution of £3.00 in order to cover the cost of the food. Please visit Scopay to make your donation.

Allergies and special dietary requirements: as we cannot guarantee that the pastries were made in a nut-free environment, so please let me know if your child will be bringing in their own pastries on the day in a clearly labelled box/bag by 10:00 on the day.

Thank you to those who have volunteered to speak a little French and help at the French Food Tasting. Mrs Cornell has been in touch directly with the volunteers with more details on how they can help.

Merci beaucoup!

Confirmation of Secondary School Places

In order to facilitate the transfer of the children's files, please complete the following Google form indicating which secondary school your child will be joining in September 2025. The form is now working so it is open for you to complete.

CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE⁷

Year 6 French Residential Trip Medical Meeting 11th June 2025 at 8.45am

Parents of children with medical conditions or is on any medications should attend. Please provide medicines in their original packaging.

⁷https://forms.gle/RRE1dqdvnSPbe9Tw9

SAFEGUARDING and WELLBEING



Click here⁸ for More Information About Safeguarding at Wallace Fields Junior School

CLUBS

Theatre Arts Club Changes

There will be one more Friday session on 4th July 2025 as I am away on the 13th June and 20th June 2025. They will be doing a little performance at the Celebration event on the 27th June 2025.

Friday children are welcome to attend sessions on the 12th June (Thursday) and 26th June (Thursday) in which we will be practising for the Celebration Event. I will also try to come in during the school day for a practice for those who can't do Thursdays.

Please will you let the club leader know if your child will be attending the Thursday sessions so that I have the correct register for those days.

Most children will need a green accessory (sunglasses/hat/bow) for our song of which I have many but do send in anything you have. A couple of children are Glinda/Elphaba (they know

⁸https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/safeguarding

who they are) and again an appropriate accessory would be good (witch's hat/pink bow/sunglasses).

No Girls' Football Training

If your daughter takes part in the girls' football training then please note that on the **6th**, **13th** and **20th June 2025** Coach Tim Dowdeswell is **not available** and unfortunately there will not be any girls' football training. Please make a note in your diaries.

Piano Lesson Space Available

Mrs Cratchley has asked me to let parents know that she has one space at 4.30pm on Mondays. Please contact her directly if you are interested in signing your child up for a lesson at this time. Email piano teacher alisonmcratchley306@gmail.com⁹

Wraparound Care

Click here ¹⁰to book your place at Junior Adventure Group.



⁹mailto:alisonmcratchley306@gmail.com

¹⁰https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/make-a-booking/

✓ Flexibility When You Need It
Early starts or late finishes? We've got you covered.

✓ Savings That Support Your Family Use Tax-Free Childcare, grants, vouchers, or Universal Credit-plus a 5% sibling discount.

 \checkmark A Routine That Feels Like Home Familiar faces and a friendly environment help children feel at ease.

 \checkmark Friendship & Confidence From snack-time chats to games, children connect and grow.

 \checkmark More Fun, More Adventures With seven themed categories, there's always something new to explore!

- Book now: Secure your spot

- Parent Support

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Join the fun with JAG this summer!

ACHIEVEMENTS

Great Swimming Achievement



Well done to Alison KQ for her great swimming. It's a medal of achievement from the Rainbow Leisure Centre swim school where Ally is looking to complete her England certified swimming accreditation. She's proud to show she's achieved her 50m accreditation.

COMMUNITY

SAVE THE DATE

The Hidden Impact Of Smartphones On Our Children

Thursday 3rd July, 2025 7:30 - 9pm

Hosted by: St. Martins School, Epsom

- Join parents & school leaders from **Epsom, Ewell, Cheam and surrounding areas** for a Free
 Community Forum Event
- Listen to our incredible panel of local experts in education, safeguarding and healthcare
- Empower our community, support our children, lead the change













Viking and Saxon shield designs Saturday June 7, I pm to 2.30pm



Viking and Saxon shields were primarily round, wooden, and often adorned with designs, with Viking shields featuring more elaborate and symbolic patterns while Saxon shields were more utilitarian. Viking shields were typically round, constructed from planks of wood and often featured metal fittings. Designs on Viking shields were diverse, incorporating spirals, runes, animal motifs, and divine symbols, reflecting personal values and connections to Norse gods. Saxon shields, on the other hand, were also round, but their designs were often more geometric and less elaborate, with a focus on practicality for battle.

Learn from a Viking visitor why shields had designs Then you can design your own shield and at the end line up and make a shield wall. Ready for battle!

Cost £6.50 per child. Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF.

Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk



ns5.co.uk

Ready to join the action?

We're excited to share information on our 5-A-Side league at Auriol Junior School, Epsom, we're now opening bookings for our new 6 week season from the W/C 9 June to the W/C 14 July. (Please note, teams can register at any point of the season if the league space allows for this)

If you're interested in joining the NS5 League, gather a team of 5 to 8 players and prepare for kick off on on the W/C 9

June 2025. Your team members don't all have to attend the same school. As long as everyone is in the school year
highlighted in registration, you're eligible to form a team and compete.

Don't wait until the last minute! League capacity is limited. Submitting your team early prevents any unnecessary disappointments. Form your team, register today, and get ready to experience the thrill of the NSS League! So what are you waiting for - form your team, register today, and get ready to experience the thrill of the NSS League!

Get your team ready!



APPOINT A MANAGER

The team requires a manager to support the team administration. A parent/coach usually works well in this role. The manager will be responsible for team sign up and match day management.



COMPLETE REGISTRATION

Please register your team. We will require specific information for each individual player such as date of birth. We suggest using our player invitation and sending this to the team manager. Payment will be taken at registration.



SELECT YOUR PLAYERS

Teams are formed through friendships at school, sports clubs, or in your neighbourhood. So select between 5-8 players and agree on a team name. We require teams to enter school year group leagues so please consider this.



PLACE YOUR KIT ORDER

We will require players to wear the NS5 team shirt which can be submitted by the whole team. We require each players name and shirt size along with their squad/team name.



CHOOSE YOUR VENUE

We are currently in process of launching a number of venues over the next year, so please select your chosen venue during registration and stay in touch for more venues coming soon!



STAY INFORMED

Please do stay in touch and up to date. Upon sign up you will have an account giving you access to fixtures and timings. We also have social media platforms on TikTok and Instagram search ns5.football which provide further information.

Team registration is a **breeze!**

Registering your team is a breeze with our streamlined process designed for your convenience. To get started, simply visit our website at ns5.co.uk. Once there, you will find an intuitive interface that guides you effortlessly through the registration steps. Just select the REGISTER option from the menu.



EDSOM APR-MAY - YEAR 3/4 (UB/U9) LEAGUE

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Select EPSOM as your venue. You will then be presented with a list of year groups. navigate through the list and select the YEAR GROUP into which you wish to enter a team. This selection process is crucial, as it ensures that participants are grouped appropriately based on their age and skill level. You will then be taken to CREATE AN ACCOUNT.

COMPLETE THE FORM We require specific information for each player. We will also require information about the team manager. Once complete SUBMIT to the NS5 administrators. Payment will be requested at a later date. PRICES may vary across all venue, per match week. Fees are charged per season and are expected to be settled ahead of game week 1.

