



Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

6th September 2024



DATES NEXT WEEK

- **Monday 9th September 2024** School Photos - Year 3 & 6 must wear uniform (bring PE kit in bags)
- **Wednesday 11th September 2024** Year 5 Welcome Meeting - 3.40pm
- **Thursday 12th September 2024** Year 6 Welcome Meeting - 3.40pm
- **Friday 13th September 2024**
 - Year 4 Welcome Meeting - 3.40pm
 - Year 6 Football Squad Trials 3.30-4.30pm.

KEY DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR

These dates were sent out at the end of last term. Please note that due to external pressures and factors beyond our control some of these dates may change. Any changes will be highlighted in this newsletter and emails to year groups if necessary.

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

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

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

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

[Click here¹ for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar](#)

[Click Here² for Upcoming Events](#)

HEAD'S UPDATE

Welcome to the New Year 3

A huge welcome to the new Year 3 children who have effectively used this half week to settle into school routines. With the academic pressure off, the focus has been on getting organised, knowing the school site, getting to know the school systems and rules and learning how to ensure they are safe and happy in school.

It has been a joy to meet them and I have had a couple of specific talks with Year 3 at the end of the assembly and in their classes. They are already getting used to expectations in Key Stage 2 (juniors) and most have been keen to take on more responsibility and be accountable for their choices.

Their positivity and energy is a good sign and they are running into school now, keen to start each day.

Stars of the Week

This week's Stars of the Week have been awarded their certificates. They have been outstanding in an aspect of our BELIEVE ethos and they each earn five house points for their respective houses. Well done to all of them for making an impression so early in the term. Two brothers from different classes managed to make the line up in the same week. Congratulations!



Update on Exciting Summer Building Projects

There were a number of big school premises projects that started over the summer.

The former computing suite is being redesigned into a more flexible space, since the children no longer visit a room for computer studies and now complete their technical work and computing skills on Chromebooks in the classroom. This project includes fitting a dividing wall in the computer suite to create two usable and expandable spaces - one side a sensory classroom and a meeting room. The sensory room will be a breakout space for children with special needs and also available for intervention groups as well. This will provide two learning spaces rather than one and the meeting

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

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

room will be a more formal environment whilst the sensory room will be kitted out to create a safe space and have additional sensory resources within it. There is a lot of work to be done still and you will be kept updated as it develops.

The second big project is the installation of a multi use games area (MUGA) or all-weather surface, beyond the activity trail. After 4 years of fundraising, work started in the summer and continues to progress. We will let you know when the MUGA is complete and when the time comes there will be an official opening. It is safely fenced off for the time being and looks to be in the final stages of completion.

Helping Hands

Thank you for all those who came along to meet me today to discuss opportunities for volunteering at Wallace Fields Junior School. If you were unable to come along today, please do contact the School Office for more information. If you did sign up to volunteer please do bring in your identification documents so we can start organising your DBS as soon as possible.

Lost Property

The box is overflowing from end of term - please come and have a look - it is in the quad and includes lots of jumpers and belongings. We will throw away most of it at half term. The unclaimed uniform will be sold off by the PTA.

COMING UP and IMPORTANT REMINDERS

School Photos Monday 9th September 2024

The School Photographic team will be coming into school on Monday 9th September 2024 to take individual and sibling photographs of the children. Please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform including a red cardigan or jumper with logo. They may bring in a small comb or brush to tidy their hair but please ensure long hair is tied back off the face. If it is usually a PE day on Monday (Year 3 and 6) please send your child in with a PE kit and trainers in a separate bag. Thank you.

Football Squad Trials Starting Next Week

Trials for football squad start next week with Year 6 first, followed by trials for netball and Year 5 football the following week. All these teams **welcome girls and boys**. The dates are as follows:

- **Friday 13th September 3.30-4.30pm** Year 6 team Football.
- **Friday 20th September 3.30-4.30pm** Year 5 boys Football trials and year 5 girls team trial.
- **Thursday 19th September 3.30-4.30pm** Year 6 Netball trials.

As it is after school, we need parent/carer permission for them to take part so please complete the Google form by clicking here³.

Year Group Tea Parties - Dates for Your Diary

Later in the term we hold a Year group Tea Party. The children bring in donations of cakes and then have their work available to show you. The child will serve you tea and cake, and there will be another opportunity to meet the teachers and to mingle with other parents. The children usually sing a song to you that they have been learning in music and there is a brief talk from the head and

³<https://forms.gle/NGzVRdXpYWWrUiSm9>

deputy before the song. A lovely relaxed afternoon. Details to follow prior to the dates. Keep an eye on this newsletter.

The Tea Party dates are as follows:-

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

Welcome Meetings

This week it was lovely to meet lots of parents/carers from Year 3 at their welcome meeting on Thursday 5th September 2024. Next week we are looking forward to welcoming lots of Year 4, 5 and 6 parents/carers into school. **The welcome meeting dates and times are as follows:-**

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

Home Start Parenting Workshop - Difficult Emotions

We are holding a Parenting Workshop with our Primary Mental Health Work on 26th September 09:30-10:30. The topic will be on difficult emotions. This session is **free** of charge and delivered by fully trained experts.

18 parents have already signed up, so if you have not done so already there are still spaces. If you would like to attend please complete the Google form by clicking [here](#)⁴.

Nasal Flu Vaccination

NHS nurses will be visiting school on Monday 30th September to deliver flu vaccinations via nasal spray. Please find attached letter with full details and e-consent, which needs to be completed by Tuesday 24th September.

Please complete the e-consent form by 4pm on TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER by visiting: www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk⁵ and entering your school's unique code SR125298. **If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine, then please fill in the 'No' box.** If you do not want your child to receive the nasal spray vaccine on the basis of porcine gelatine, please fill in the 'No' box indicating this, and you will be given the opportunity to consent for an alternative vaccination.

For more detailed information see the email sent to parents/carers earlier in the week.

YEAR 3

Well Done to Year 3

Well done to all of Year 3. We are so proud of the maturity they have shown to Junior School life and how they have worked hard to settle into new routines. They have had a lot to take on this week and

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

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

coped admirably. For more information on Year 3, please see the letter sent home at the parent meeting or visit the website for more information including the Year 3 Welcome Meeting slides. Superb effort Year 3 and have a restful weekend! **Miss Day and Mr Taylor**

Online Accounts

This week, Year 3 have spent time logging into all their new accounts that they need including Spelling Shed, Mathletics, Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) and the Google Classroom. Reading Records, with passwords in the front cover, have been sent home with the children today (Friday) so they have passwords available to log onto sites at home. Children should remember to bring in their Reading Records in their school bag every day so they have passwords available at school too.

Year 3 Homework

Teachers have explained all homework expectations to Year 3 this week and discussed with parents and carers in the Welcome Meeting, in line with the home school agreement with parents.

Homework consists of:

- Reading at least 3 times a week - 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.

All homework is due in on the following Monday. Children who do not complete homework attend Catch Up Zone to allow time to catch up on any incomplete or missed work.

We start homework proper next week, beginning on Monday 16th September 2024. Children will be reminded of this.

Year 3 Pencil Cases and Scopay Payment

You were contacted in July to let you know that pencil cases would be provided for year 3 and a £7 donation collected at the beginning of September. This donation request should now be on your Scopay account and you will have received an email from Scopay with instructions on how to use the on-line payment system.

Please do let us know if you have any problems logging in to your Scopay account by emailing office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk or telephoning the school office on **020 8393 0350**.

Arrive in School Uniform and Change After Photographs on Monday 9th September 2024.

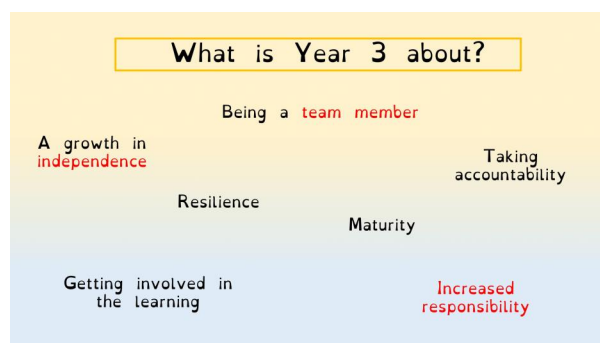
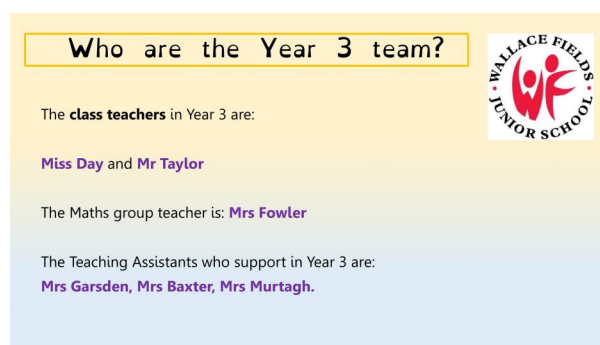
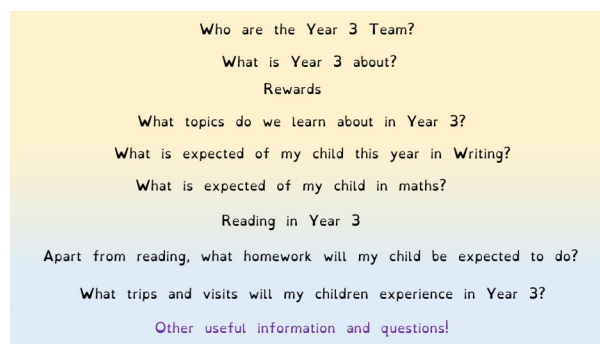
Arrive in School uniform and change after photographs. Monday 9th September 2024. Year 3 should wear full school uniform and bring PE kit to change into for next Monday, 9th September 2024 only due to the school photographer taking photos. **PE is normally on Mondays and Tuesdays**. Children wear PE kit to school and avoid wearing earrings and watches on these days as they need to be removed for PE lessons.

Fidget Tools and Toys

Please note that fidget tools are a specialist learning strategy agreed in conference between the teacher and child. Toys are not permitted in school (along with large multi sectioned pencil cases). The school already have a selection of fiddle resources that teachers can provide if needed. These are not toys to be brought in and please remind your children to keep these safe at home.

Welcome Meeting

We hope you found the welcome meeting useful. The power point has been put on the school website in case you would like to refer to any information. Click here⁶.



⁶<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-3>

Rewards

Every week, we award one child from each class with a 'Star of the Week' award to children who demonstrate the school values.

We celebrate their achievements in assembly and a certificate will be sent home to show parents/carers. We want every child to believe that they can achieve success in all they do.

In addition to this, we also award:

- Dojos (house points)
- Head Teacher Award
- Monthly BELIEVE award

Brilliance
Equality
Learning for all
Inspiration
Enthusiasm
Vision
Every pupil matters

At Wallace Fields Junior School we BELIEVE that we can "Dream more, learn more, do more, become more"

Year 3 covers some exciting topics such as:

History: Stone Age, Bronze Age, Iron Age and Romans.

Geography: mapping, using an atlas, physical and human geography.

Science: classifying living things, sound, light, electricity and plants.

Art: Wassily Kandinsky, Georgia O'Keefe, Bridget Riley

Design & Technology: packaging, fruit salad and light up cards

Personal, Social & Health Education: wellbeing, bullying, internet safety, stranger danger and roles in the community.

Sex & Relationship Education: personal body parts and the PANTS rule

Faith and Philosophy: Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

Computing: coding, touch typing, internet safety, research and word processing.

PE & Games includes: Football, netball, rugby, hockey, tennis, rounders, cricket, athletics, dance, gymnastics and fitness.

What is expected of my child in Writing?

English

Children will be in their classes for English. Teachers will differentiate within the class – setting a variety of challenges.

A Year 3 writer must end the year being able to...

Writers of the World	SPiG
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use varied and rich vocabulary To use planning resources to organise writing into paragraphs Create setting, characters and plot in narratives In non-fiction, use simple organisational devices (e.g. headings, sub-headings) Expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. when, before, after, while, so, because) Expressing time, place and cause using adverbs (e.g. then, next, soon, immediately) Expressing time, place and cause using prepositions (e.g. before, after, during, in, because of) Uses the present perfect form of verbs Chooses nouns or pronouns appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced to inverted commas to punctuate direct speech and other punctuation to indicate direct speech (e.g. a comma after the reporting clause: The conductor shouted, "Sit down!") Places the possessive apostrophe accurately in words in regular and irregular plural Uses a or an according to whether the next word starts with a consonant or vowel Formation of nouns using a range of prefixes (e.g. super-, anti-, sub-) Spells further homophones Word families based on common words, showing how words are related in form and meaning (e.g. solve, solution, cover, discover, insective)

What is expected of my child in Writing?

'Must Haves' will be referred to in order to remind children of expectations from Year 2, such as capital letters and full stops.

Writers of the World	Writers of the World
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> capitalisation in key sentences (setting, when, if, what, because) and in underlining in and for! a range of sentence types: statement, question, exclamation or command using the correct punctuation (., !, ?) variation in use of present and past tense through writing Progression from simple to more complex sentences (e.g. using conjunctions to show cause and effect) a range of short expanded noun phrases for description and specification (e.g. the blue butterfly, pink flower, the star at the moon) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> capital letters: sentences, proper nouns, personal pronouns, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks correctly conjunctions to be fit apostrophes to mark missing letters and regular possession
Year 1	Year 2

What is expected of my child in Writing?



Spellings

The teaching of spelling will be supported by the online programme 'Spelling Shed' which will be set as weekly homework (which you can complete as 3 x 10 minute slots or a 1 x 30 minute slot).

What is expected of my child in Maths?

In maths, we cover topics including:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Measurement
- Shape

In order to pitch the support at different levels, we will group three ways for maths. Some groups have a higher adult to child ratio to support the children.

For the first few weeks, until we know the children, maths groups will be more fluid. Please do not worry if your child moves groups during the year as they are exposed to the same curriculum and we teach the exact same learning question.

What is expected of my child in Reading?

- Wallace Fields promotes reading for pleasure and understanding. We ask that children bring in a book from home to read in class, however we do also have a fantastic book corner in each classroom, should your child want something different to read.
- At KS2, a child needs to read the word correctly and build their understanding of the meaning and the context in which it is used.
- We will be teaching the children how to select appropriate books for them by regular visits to the library.
- We teach Guided Comprehension to develop the children's inference skills and enhance their understanding of different texts.

<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/learning/english>



What is expected of my child in Reading?

Reading Diaries

Children will be given a reading diary to record any reading that is done at home.

We ask that children read at home at least 3 times a week (preferably with an adult hearing them) and that a parent or carer signs and dates each entry.

1 dojo will be given to children who read 3 times a week, 2 dojos are awarded for 5 reads and 3 dojos are awarded for 7+ reads.

This book is also for any quick questions you may wish to ask and is checked once a week, when the children hand them in on a Monday morning.

Please make sure the children bring their reading records into school every day as passwords for Mathematics, Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rock Stars will be stuck in the front page.

<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/learning/english>



Homework Expectations

Our homework reinforces topics taught that week in English, maths, science, history or geography.

Weekly Homework:

Reading at home at least 3 x per week. This is to be signed by a parent/ carer.

English (30 minutes per week)

Spelling Shed based on the sounds we are teaching (10-15 minutes) 3 x per week.

Maths (40 minutes per week)

Times Tables Rockstars 10 sessions per week (10 minutes) and one Mathematics task per week.

Handwriting (30 minutes per week)

Handwriting books will be sent home with activities enclosed.

Termly Homework:

Autumn: French

Spring: History

Summer: Design project (tbc)

We will be giving the children their login details (stuck in the front of their reading records) and training them how to use these programmes in our Computing sessions over the next couple of weeks.

Year 3 Trips

Butser Ancient Farm: A Stone Age Village

Wisley: Plant Life

Crew Theatre: Science – the body

Other Information:

PE and Games

We teach a variety of Games including: Netball, Tennis, Football, Rugby, Hockey, Cricket and Rounders.
In PE, we teach Gymnastics, Dance, Fitness and Athletics.
We are lucky to have our expert Sports, Mr Sellars, to teach some of our games lessons.

Year 3 have P.E./Games on Mondays and Tuesdays and will therefore need to attend school in their PE kits on these days.

If there are any children who have earrings, they are responsible for taking them out themselves or advised not to wear them on PE/Games days.

<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/learning/pe-games>

Other Information:

Extra Support

Should your child need extra support in their learning, intervention strategies will be put in place.

These include our

- Phonics groups
- Focus guided reading sessions
- Focus reading fluency sessions
- Must Haves support
- Topic pre-teaching

Our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, Mrs Elliot, will monitor children's progress within any intervention groups as well as children on the Special Education Needs register. <https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/inclusion>

Other Information:

Stationery:

- Each child has been given their own pencil case with a whiteboard pen, pencil, rubber, ruler, highlighter, glue stick and a purple pen.
- Please provide colouring pencils.
- We have a school stationary shop for children to purchase and stationary items that they lose/finish. This is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays by the Year 4 classrooms - price lists are available here.



Thank you so much for listening!

Please feel free to ask any questions!

YEAR 4

Welcome Letter

Good afternoon,

We hope that you are well. We have had a fantastic first week with your children. The letter below was sent out last year but just in case it did not make it home, please see the letter attached, explaining the year four expectations. We also look forward to seeing parents at the year four welcome meeting, next week Friday.

Kind regards, The Year Four Team



Year 4 Parent / Carer Fact Sheet

Welcome to Year 4!

This is information to help you understand the approach and key content of Year 4.

The **class teachers** in Year 4 are **Mrs Curran and Mrs Kidwai**

The **group teacher** is Mrs Elliot.

The **Teaching Assistants (TAs)** are:

Mrs McGahan, Mrs Salam and Ms Grover

Topics and Curriculum

Year 4 covers some exciting topics such as:

- **History:** Anglo Saxons and Vikings.
- **Geography:** Weather, climate, mapping and Kenya.
- **Science:** Forces, changing materials, the Earth and beyond and mini-beasts.
- **Art:** 3D modelling, silhouettes, Impressionism, observational drawing and clay masks.
- **Design & Technology:** Money containers, muffins, and pop-ups.
- **Life Lessons:** Please see progression map on the Life Lessons webpage.
- **Relationships and sex education:** Changes to body and personal hygiene.
- **Faith and Philosophy:** Christianity, Sikhism, Humanism and a thematic unit.
- **Computing:** Coding, research and word processing.
- **PE & Games, which includes:** Football, netball, rugby, hockey, tennis, rounders, cricket, athletics, orienteering, gymnastics and fitness.

Reading

We ask children to read at **least three times per week at home**. Please spend some time listening to your child read aloud, as well as allowing them time to read alone and record this in their reading record. This must be **handed in every Wednesday**. The children will receive house points/ class dojos for their efforts.

We ask you to **avoid reading** the books we study in class which are:

- "Gangsta Granny" by David Walliams
- "Leon and the Place Between" by Angela McAllister
- "Boy at the Back at the Class" by Onjali Q. Rauf

Discussing the children's books with them - characters, plot, predictions, language and motivations of characters - is important to develop their comprehension skills.

Homework

In Year 4, children will receive 1 piece of maths homework, 1 piece of English homework and are expected to read at least 3 times **every week**. They will also be set a project homework every half term which relates to a topic in our learning.

Weekly Homework:

Beginning every Wednesday.

Children are expected to read at least 3 times per week. Reading records will be taken in on Wednesdays.

Every Wednesday:

The children will be given Times Table Rockstars activities and/or Mathematics tasks which **total 30 minutes**.

The children will also be set **30 minutes of Spelling Shed activities**.

All of these will be due the following Wednesday.

Half Termly Homework:

One homework task will be given on a Friday, once each half term. This will usually be topic or foundation based, which is to be handed in on a date later in the term.

In the Summer Term:

In preparation for Year 5, the children will receive a Spelling and grammar homework on a Wednesday, due in the following Wednesday. This will not start until the summer term.

If homework is not completed on time, pupils will go to the Catch-up Zone and they will then be expected to complete their homework that evening.

We can't wait to have a fantastic year and are excited to see how well your children progress and develop throughout their year.

Thank you,

Mrs Curran and Mrs Kidwai

Year 4 Welcome Meeting - Friday 13th September 3.40pm

Next week we are looking forward to welcoming lots of Year 4 parents/carers into school Friday 13th September 2024 at 3.40pm. The year group welcome meetings give you the opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and hear about the trips and other exciting events that will be happening over the year. If you are unable to attend we hope to stream them as well as publish hand-outs on our website. There are no childcare facilities available, so please bring something for your child to do quietly or arrange alternative childcare.

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Year 5 Football Squad Trials - Friday 20th September 3.30pm

Trials for football squad for Year 5 girls and boys are on **Friday 20th September 3.30-4.30pm**. As it is after school, we need parent/carer permission for them to take part so please complete the Google form by clicking here⁷.

YEAR 6

Year 6 Welcome Meeting - Thursday 12th September 3.40pm

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Year 6 Football Squad Trial - Friday 13th September 3.30pm

Trials for football and netball squads start next week for **girls and boys** start next week and details are as follows:

- **Friday 13th September 3.30-4.30pm** Year 6 boys and girls team football squad trials.
- **Thursday 19th September 3.30-4.30pm** Year 6 girls and boys netball squad trials.

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PTA



WFJS PTA 6th September 2024

BACK TO SCHOOL!

Welcome back to the new school year of 2024 / 2025!!

We at the PTA can't wait to get the year started! We learned a lot last year, so this year we have a fresh program of events for everyone to enjoy to help raise money to add extra fun and support to our childrens learning.

We're kicking off with our annual tea parties to hear about staff updates, take a peak at the childrens learning and all whilst enjoying tea and cake!

October will hear the calls of BINGO! at our first Bingo night. £5 entry and just £1 per game so come along to get yourself a full house! The Fireworks are back with a twist this year so listen out for ticket sales announcements soon.

We hope all the children had a fab first week back!

BINGO!

BINGO! Friday 11th October
Doors and bar opens at 7:30pm
£5 Entry with a free drink
£1 per game
Get your entry ticket here:
pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta

Dates for your Diary

	Tea Parties
	Year 3 - 9th October Year 5 - 17th October
	Year 4 - 10th October Year 6 - 16th October
	Bingo - Friday 11th October 19:30
	Fireworks - Sunday 10th November 16:00
	Christmas Fair In School Time Date tbc



UNIFORM SALE
3pm Wednesday 18th
September
Please bring any
donations to
the office by
Tuesday 17th
September

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

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

⁸<https://forms.gle/NGzVRdXpYWWrUiSm9>



WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE



**WEDNESDAY
18TH
SEPTEMBER
CARD AND
CASH
3:15-3:45PM**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR UNIFORM DONATIONS TO
THE OFFICE BY TUESDAY 17TH SEPTMEBER**

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL
PTA PRESENT

BINGO NIGHT

FRIDAY 11TH OCTOBER | DOORS OPEN AT 7:30PM

Join us for a night of fun and games at our Bingo Night! Get ready to shout "Bingo!" as we play for exciting prizes!

£5
ENTRY
INCLUDES A
FREE DRINK

Buy your books
on the night for
just £1 per
game

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL

CLUBS

At Wallace Fields Junior School we offer a huge range of extra curricula activities. The club letters were sent out in the newsletter at the end of term so please click here⁹ to see the club letters on our web page.

The clubs will be on a "first come first served basis" and many clubs still have spaces including the popular Arts & Crafts, Lego, French, and Football clubs.. Please contact the club leaders directly if you have any questions. See clubs timetable below.



CLUBS TIMETABLE AUTUMN TERM 2024

clubs are "turn up and join in" clubs; and * clubs are selected children only.
[Click here](#) for more information at the clubs on Wallace Fields Junior School website.

	BEFORE SCHOOL	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL		
Monday	TENNIS All years 7.45-8.40am Playground Tennisball (€)	LIBRARY DROP-IN # Alternate weeks for Lower & Upper School 12.30-1pm FREE NEW TO ENGLISH FUN CLUB * Blue Room 12.30-1pm Ms Hallett (FREE)	CHOIR # Yr 5 & 6 12.10-12.40 Music Room Jo Johnstone FREE	ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB All year groups 3.30-4.30 Room 55 Ms S White (€) PIANO 1 on 1 lessons 30 min Variable times Music Room Mrs Cratchley (€)	CODE CAMP Years 3 & 4 3.30-4.30pm Yr 6 Group Room Code camp (€)
Tuesday	JUDO All years 8.00-8.40am Hall Mr Kennedy (€)	BOOK CLUB Monthly Yr 6 12.10-12.40 Yr 3 12.40-13.10 Library Mrs Clarkson (€) FRENCH Int 12.10-12.40 Beg 12.40-1.10 G Group Room Mrs Tesselment(€)	SCIENCE CLUB Year 4 Blue Room 12.30- 13:00pm Mrs Hernandez (€) GARDENING CLUB# Yrs&S 12.10-12.40 Yr3&4 12.40-13.10 Eco Area Mrs Dodd FREE	HIP HOP All years 3.30-4.30pm (Hall) Mrs Johnson(€) TAG Rugby Year 5&6 3.30-4.30pm Field Mr Sellars (€)	FOOTBALL Years 3&4 3.30-4.30pm Field (€) COOKERY All years 3.30-4.30pm (Canteen) Jayne McGee (€)
Wednesday	JUDO All years 8.00-8.40am Hall Mr Kennedy (€)	BOOK CLUB Monthly Yr 5 12.10-12.40 Yr 4 12.40-13.10 Library Mrs Clarkson (€)	CHOIR # Yr 3 & 4 12.35-13.00 Music Room Mrs Johnstone	CODE CAMP Years 5 & 6 3.30-4.30pm Yr 6 Group Room Code camp (€) LEGO CLUB All years Room 55 (€)	GYMNASTICS All years 3.30-4.30pm Hall CSellars(€) FOOTBALL Years 5 & 6 3.30-4.30pm Field (€)
Thursday		SPANISH Yr 5&6 12.10-12.40pm Yr 3&4 12.40-1.10pm Blue Room (€) Mrs Hernandez	PIANO 1 on 1 lessons Variable times, Blue Room Mrs Cratchley (€)	PIANO 1 on 1 lessons 30 min Variable times Blue Room Mrs Cratchley (€)	SCIENCE CLUB Year 6 3.20-4.20pm Blue Room (€) Mrs Hernandez NETBALL TEAM * Year 6 selected 3.30-4.30pm Playground FREE CSellars THEATRE ARTS All years 3.30-4.30pm Hall Mrs Kennedy (€)
Friday	DODGEBALL All years 8.00-8.40am Hall CSellars(€)	BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE CLUB # Language Club G Group Room Mr Lee (FREE) PIANO 1 on 1 30 min Variable times - Blue Room Mrs Cratchley (€)	GIRLS FOOTBALL Yr 3 & 4 12.30- 13:10pm Field Dowdeswell (FREE)	THEATRE ARTS All years 3.30-4.30pm Hall Mrs Kennedy (€) FOOTBALL TEAM * Selected Yr 5&6 3.30-4.30pm Field (FREE)	PIANO 1 on 1 lessons 30 min Variable times Blue Room Mrs Cratchley (€) GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM* Selected Yr 5&6 3.30-4.30pm Field (FREE)

Version 6th September 2024

Clubs Start Dates

Most though **not all** clubs start back next week (Week commencing 11th September 2023) so please double check with the list below and arrange alternative childcare if required.

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

Start Dates of Clubs	
Club	Start Date in September 2024
Arts and Crafts	9th
Book club	17th/ 18th
British Sign Language club	20th
Chess	Cancelled
Choir - Lower School	11th
Choir -Upper school	9th
Code camp	16th /18th
Cooking club	10th
Dodgeball	13th
Football	10th
Football club Girls Yr 3 & 4 lunchtime	13th
French club	10th
Gardening club	10th
Gymnastics	11th
Hip Hop Club	10th
Judo	24th /25th
Lego club	18th
Science club Year 4	17th
Science club Year 6	19th
Spanish	19th
Tag Rugby	10th
Tennis club	9th
Theatre Arts	19th /20th

Chess Club Cancelled For This Term

Unfortunately due to personal reasons the chess club has been cancelled for this term. Anyone who has signed up will be contacted directly by the club leader Mrs Casey to organise a refund and she will be in touch later in the term with an update on when the club will start back.

New Football Club

NSSport will be delivering football after school clubs for Year 3 and Year 4 on Tuesdays and Years 5 and Year 6 on Wednesdays. To guarantee your child a spot please head to our website, nssport2.co.uk, and book your child in. If you are having an problems booking on, please contact us via email at enquiries@nssport.co.uk.

There is possibly still one space available for the Year 3 and Year 4 club and 3 spaces available for the Year 5 and 6 club.

Girls' Football Training Year 3 and Year 4

Girls' football training for Year 3 & Year 4 starts on Friday 13th September. Don't forget to sign up (see link in club letter below) and bring in PE kit and trainers.



Autumn Term 2024

Girl's Football Training - Year 3 & 4

Coach Mr Dowdeswell will be running his free girl's football session on Friday lunchtimes.

If your daughter would like to attend or wishes to try a session, please sign up by completing the Google form.
<https://forms.gle/EbsQQbPGWQX8mDMu8>

Please ensure she brings in PE kit and trainers (shin pads and football boots are ideal but not essential).

Children will need to go in for early lunch.

Gardening Club Reminder

Gardening Club starts back on Tuesday 10th September 2024. In the winter months it will have to be on a weather permitting basis. Any children are able to turn up for this free lunchtime club but they must bring **a change of shoes** so that mud is not taken back to the classrooms and **a waterproof coat**.

Sign Up for Excellent Wrap Around Care - JAG!

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

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



Action-Packed Breakfast & After School Clubs

SUPER SPORTS • POWER TEAMS • GLOBAL KIDS
CREATIVE INVENTORS • BRAIN BOOSTERS • ZEN MASTERS

Fun packed multi-activity clubs for every child!

- ✓ A BIG DOSE OF FUN BEYOND THE SCHOOL DAY
- ✓ MAKE NEW FRIENDS ACROSS ALL AGE GROUPS
- ✓ DELIVERED BY A TEAM OF EXPERTLY TRAINED PROFESSIONALS
- ✓ KEEP ACTIVE AND IMPROVE WELLBEING
- ✓ EXPLORE CREATIVITY AND A RANGE OF INTERESTS
- ✓ HEALTHY BREAKFAST & NUTRITIOUS AFTER SCHOOL SNACK AVAILABLE EACH DAY

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Holiday Clubs

FREE DAY PASS!

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

What to expect at a JAG Holiday Club?

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

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REMINDERS and MORE INFORMATION

Don't Forget Water Bottles

Please don't forget to send your child in with a water bottle every day. Please label the water bottle clearly.

Have Your Contact Details Changed Recently?

Make sure your details are up to date! Please contact the office if your contact details have changed this is **extremely important** to ensure we are able to contact you in an emergency. Email Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk¹⁰ with your updated contact details. Thank you

SAFEGUARDING

**HOME
START**
Epsom, Ewell
& Banstead
Including
Mole Valley North



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

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

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

Where?

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

When?

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

How do I book?

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

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

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




¹⁰<mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Roald Dahl Day

At Bourne Hall
Saturday 14th September




Science Show 11am-12pm

Science Boffins present an amazing science show for children, including jaw dropping scientific experiments and mind blowing demonstrations!


£6 a ticket

[Book on our website](#)



James and the Giant Peach Display

Come and see some of the characters from James and the Giant Peach, bought to life as animatronic models by the super talented and legendary Bob Ballan!



Quentin Blake Illustration Workshop 1pm - 2pm


Join us for a creative workshop aimed at adults of all abilities, learning the watercolour techniques used by Quentin Blake.

£10 a ticket

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Museum Ghost Writers

Come and meet the writers who made your area famous in the museum where history is brought alive. Take part in our Poetry competition too!



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in the Foyer



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Bourne Hall Museum will be celebrating some of the many writers who have celebrated our local area. All have died, hence ghost writers. Four re-enactors will be playing the writers: Mrs Beaton, Robert Fabian, Samuel Pepys and Charles Dickens. So come and join us as our Museum comes to life!



ROALD DAHL Day



at ewell library



Celebrate in Ewell Library 10th - 14th Sept!

Dress as your favourite Roald Dahl character

Saturday craft based on Roald Dahl books

Creative competitions to win prizes!

£1 per craft!

Explore the Roald Dahl Treasure Hunt and, as always, HAVE FUN!!!



Epsom and Ewell ghost writers

On September 14th 2024 Bourne Hall Museum will be celebrating some of the many writers who have celebrated our local area. All have died, hence ghost writers.

Four re-enactors will be playing the writers details of which ones are on the reverse.



To run alongside the event, we are holding a poetry competition for local children to write poems on what they like about the local area or a local place.

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

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

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

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

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