



Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter



Thursday 9th October 2025

KEY DATES FOR NEXT FEW WEEKS

- Friday 10th October 2025
 - BY 9am **Happy Bag** Collection

- 1.50pm-3.00pm **Inter House Cross Country** - Parents welcome to watch
- **Monday 13th October 2025**
 - Ambassador presentations
 - Epsom & Ewell Borough **Cross Country Race** at Sutton Grammar Playing Fields 3.30pm-5pm. Top 8 girls and top 8 boys
- **Tuesday 14th October 2025** - Home netball match v St Josephs 15.45-16.30. Parents welcome to watch
- **Wednesday 15th October 2025**
 - Deadline for Harvest **Donations** to class rooms art areas
 - 2pm **Year 6 Tea Party**. 1.45pm for uniform sale.
- **Thursday 16th October 2025**
 - **Sports Crew** Training at Tadworth Leisure Centre 9am-12pm
 - 2pm **Year 5 Tea Party**. 1.45pm for uniform sale.
 - **Football Match** at Stamford Green for selected footballers
- **Friday 17th October 2025**
 - **Pumpkin competition** winners announced.
 - **Year 3 & 4** tag rugby tournament at Auriol School 1.15pm-3pm

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- **Tuesday 21st October 2025** at 15:45 - 16:30 Home Netball fixture at WFJS with St Clements. Parents welcome to watch.
 - **Wednesday 22nd October 2025**
 - **Parents Autism Workshop 2.15pm - 3.15pm**
 - **4.30-5.30pm** - PTA Halloween Disco
 - **Thursday 23rd October 2025 3pm** - Deadline for Parent Governor Nominations
 - **Friday 24th October 2025** - Break up for Half term. Normal finish time 3.30pm

[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

Autism Friendly Review

As part of their support for schools, Surrey County Council were offering an autism friendly review for schools. This is a team of people including very experienced education leaders with young adults with autism visiting schools and reviewing the total environment, and lessons, to improve the school for autistic children or those with autistic traits. Part of this review includes getting the viewpoints from all stakeholders including children, all staff and all parents - especially parents with children with autism or have traits of ASD. The team came in this week to do a full review and we will be getting feedback in order to find out ways of improving our school environment and approaches. I will keep you informed of the feedback and actions taken.

Cars Collecting at JAG - Please Drive Carefully

One of the privileges of children going to Junior Adventure Group Wrap Around Care (JAG) is the drive in to the staff car park. Some cars have been driving too fast in the staff car park. Please drive **dead slow** and park respectfully in the marked bays. Drive extra carefully as staff have noted some cars pulling in far too quickly and some near misses of children walking behind parked cars. We do not want to remove this privilege, so your safe driving is politely requested.

Reporting Illegal and Inconsiderate Parking

As a school we contact the Surrey Traffic Enforcement team many times every year. Our main concern is wellbeing of the children and families walking to and from school - for example parking on a junction or on double yellow lines, and the respectful parking for local residents - for example parking over drives and blocking access and egress. If you spot anyone parking dangerously or disrespectfully then please report it direct to the Surrey Traffic Enforcement team.

Surrey say please use their online form on the Report problems and make requests⁴ page on their website. Please include as much information as possible and they will send a patrol if there is one available in the area. If someone is found to be parking illegally, they issue the vehicle with a penalty charge notice (parking fine). If the parking is just inconsiderate, they may not be able to take any action, but they can have a look.

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

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

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

⁴<https://tellus.surreycc.gov.uk/>

I imagine that the more local people that report illegal or inconsiderate parking, the more likely they are to send an enforcing officer to the school gates.

Stars of Week



Last week's **Stars of the Week** were announced in the assembly last Friday - they create a superb 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** 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 an ordinary academic award but more of one of showing improvement or willing, teamwork or resilience. They are often 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.

THIS WEEK

Tea Parties

Thank you to all those parents and carers who came in for the Year 3 and Year 4 tea parties. They were a great success and very well attended. There was an opportunity to look through their books, hear them sing a song they had learned in music and some input from Mr Lee, the deputy Mrs Day and the SENDCo Mrs Elliot about online safety and school plans for the future. Please do sign up for the National Online Safety (NOS) website.

Well done to the winners of the 'Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin' competitions who were Mrs King in Year 3 and Mrs Bhandari in Year 4. The Year 3 pumpkin weighed 7.5kg and the Year 4 pumpkin 5.5kg. Thanks to the Gardening club for growing such *ginormous* pumpkins. We raised an amazing £320 in Year 3 and £290 in Year 4, so that will buy two more Chromebooks for school.

We look forward to seeing the Year 5 & Year 6 parents/carers at their Tea Parties next week.

The second hand uniform was a very popular aspect of the Tea Parties and so if you are keen to get yourself some bargains please come along at about **1.45pm** to get them before the Tea Party presentation starts proper. Our thanks to Mrs Dave for helping with this excellent provision for bargain hunters.

PTA Football Fundraiser



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

The first match of the season for the Year 5/6 Girls was away at St Martin's on Thursday and the squad of 12 girls arrived excited to play what for some of them was their first game at this level. We started the game strongly, with wave after wave of attacks, though did not manage to score the goals our play deserved. Scarlett O'S made several great runs, ably supported by Peggy, Vivienne and Eliana, but the St Martin's keeper managed to save anything on target. In defence, Annelise, Marta and Emily A did a great job of protecting Alice McM in goal, though unfortunately the only goal of the game came not long before half time from a powerfully hit shot that gave Alice little chance. Layla, Sara, Scarlett B and Francesca all joined the fray and made telling contributions with their work rate and endeavour.

In the second half, kicking up hill, the girls kept pushing forward in search of the equaliser, and despite constant pressure we did not manage to score. This was a great first game and the girls will have learnt a lot from their experience, so we look forward to our next league match against Cuddington Croft in the week commencing 17th November 2025.

Missed Your Flu Vaccination

All those who consented to have the flu vaccination were given their vaccination on Wednesday 8th October 2025. If they were absent from school and wish to have the flu vaccination at a later date then please visit www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk⁵ and enter your school's unique code SR125298 (For Years 3 – 6) and you will be sent information about your nearest clinic.

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

EVENTS COMING UP

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

The children will have all had the opportunity to run in heats for the cross-country race and we will shortly share with you and the children who will be taking part in the **School Cross Country event on Friday 10th October 2025**. Each year group will select 16 boys and 16 girls to represent their house.

All parents of children selected have been contacted by email to confirm they are competing on Friday.

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.

All parents and carers are welcome to come and watch the event, whether their child is participating or not. All children will be out and cheering on those running. 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.

From the Upper School a few children will be selected to enter the Epsom and Ewell event on Monday 13th October 2025. As this is very short notice please keep your eye out for emails and Google permission form to confirm they are able to attend if selected.

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.

What we collect



We accept:

- ✓ Adults and children's clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes
- ✓ Handbags, belts, hats, jewellery
- ✓ Toiletries, perfumes,
- ✓ Souvenirs, unwanted gifts

Please ensure that all items placed in the bags are in good REUSABLE condition. Please ensure that the bags remain dry on rainy days. Thank you

If unsure about anything, please call us on 0170 868 5071

We do not accept:

- ✗ Uniforms, underclothing
- ✗ Bric-a-brac, toys, DVD'S, CD's
- ✗ Rugs, blankets, curtains, books
- ✗ Household linen, pillows, duvets
- ✗ DIRTY, DAMAGED, or WET clothes

0170 868 5071

info@happyschoolbag.co.uk

www.happyschoolbag.co.uk

Friendly Reminder



Happy wants to remind you, your school's clothing collection is soon! Get your bags ready. Bring as much as you can, even use extra bags if needed. More donations mean more funds for the school's reinvestment! Let's make it count!

Your Collection Date is:

10th October

0170 868 5071

info@happyschoolbag.co.uk

Year 5 & Year 6 Tea Party

We are really looking forward to seeing parents, carers, grandparents and siblings at school for **the Year 6 Tea Party on the 15th October and Year 5 on 16th October from 2pm - 3pm.** It's a great opportunity to see your child in their school setting and meet their teachers, as well as the Head Teacher and Deputy Head. They're all very excited to show you what they've been doing at school, and you'll be able to listen to them perform a song. This will all be followed by tea and cake. You will also be able to take your child home after the event. Alternatively they can go back to their classroom and wait for the start of their after school club or JAG as normal.

- We kindly ask for cake donations for this event. Can you **please deliver to the class room** on the morning of the event. (Remember, strictly no nuts please)
- The children will walk round with a bucket collecting donations for the school so please remember to bring some loose change with you.
- It's always worth bringing a tupperware pot to bring home any extra cake as the children aren't allowed to eat any on site (strictly for parents only!)
- We will put out some second hand uniform during the event so please bring some extra cash in case you want to purchase anything. **Please come at 1.45pm if you want to find bargain uniform items. Please donate** unwanted or outgrown uniform - as it is very much appreciated.

If you haven't got any cash but you would still like to donate you can do it via the donation page on the PTA Events website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta/index.cfm?event=login¬LoggedIn=true&success=event&eventId=87356>

We look forward to seeing you all then.

Your WFJS and PTA team

Parent Governor Vacancy Now Open

Today, another Parent Governor vacancy is open to applications. This is a great way to help the school, help build your skills and become part of the school family. If you are interested please complete the nomination form by 3pm on Thursday 23rd October 2025. For more information and for the role description and other related documents please see the Governor page on the website by clicking here ⁶.

Harvest Celebration - Food Bank Donations

As part of our whole school **Harvest Celebration**, we are once again supporting our local food bank to help families in need. Our school has a long and proud history of generosity, and together we can make a real difference. Children can start bringing in their donations to their classes, from **Monday 6th October 2025** until the **15th October 2025**. We warmly invite children to bring in items such as tins of soup, beans, vegetables, pasta, rice, cereal, and long-life milk. If your child brings in several items, please send them in a carrier bag. Single items can be brought in on their own. Every single contribution, big or small, helps us share the spirit of Harvest and continue our tradition of caring for our community. For more detailed information, please visit the following link:

<https://epsomewell.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Thank you for your kindness and support.

⁶<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/governors>

Mrs. Kidwai

Autism Review and Invite to Parent Discussion Group

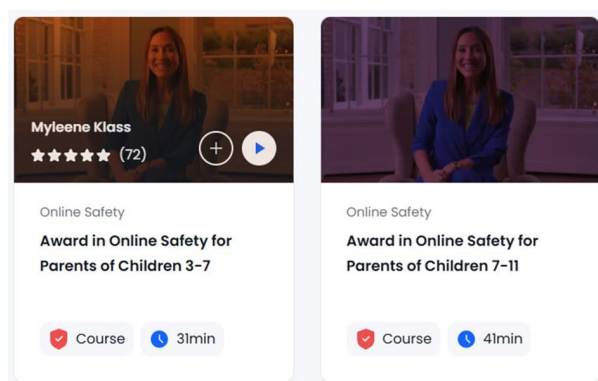
As part of our Autism Friendly Review (mentioned earlier): On **22nd October 2025 at 2.15pm - 3.15pm** we would like to invite parents in for a parent discussion group with an independent practitioner, Vanessa Frances for a parental audit of how we support our autistic community. All parents are welcome. We particularly encourage those who have autistic children, are autistic or think you may have autistic traits.

Click Here⁷

Free Online Courses - Sign Up for National College

At the Tea Parties this week, we mentioned that as a school, we are part of the **National College** who provide lots of free training and resources to parents and carers about staying safe online. The National College's resources aim to help equip parents and carers with the confidence and skills to have age-appropriate, informed discussions with children to keep them safe, healthy and resilient to life beyond the school gates. We would recommend the Award in Online Safety for Parents courses, in particular. To enrol on the National College website and access these free resources, please click the link here <https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/wallace-fields-junior-school>.

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Parenting Workshop on Dealing with Difficult Emotions in Children

Does your child get anxious and overwhelmed easily?

Do they exhibit angry outbursts and meltdowns?

Are they clingy or do they find separation tricky?

Difficult behaviour is always led by difficult emotions.

We are all emotional beings and sometimes these emotions can be overwhelming. This workshop helps to address these emotions and teaches ways to manage and express

⁷<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RbVh2UwQ0E6Fgh9XDwWVzc0MDKnBG6xGu-NvHHa4HeNUOFBTNjNQNTBHVkpRWEwwREs1VU9YUlg0TS4u>

emotions safely. Everyone is welcome. Lesley is an expert in positive parenting and has led many highly acclaimed parental workshops.

- **Led by:** Lesley Lane from **Home Start**
- **When?:** Thursday 20th November **9.15am -11.15am**
- **Where?:** Wallace Fields Junior School
- **Booking?:** Please click here⁸ to complete the Google form to give us an idea of numbers.

Little Wandle Letters and Sounds - Phonics Intervention

Parents and carers will soon be informed if their child has been selected to participate in our Little Wandle Letters and Sounds **Rapid Catch-Up Phonics Programme** this year. The aim of this programme is to help children to reach and maintain expected standards in phonics, spelling and reading, whilst also developing reading fluency, comprehension and other essential skills related to reading efficiency. Children completing phonics sessions will be sent home with a letter next week which details information about the programme. Further information will follow in the coming weeks regarding ways you can support your child with reading at home by accessing an e-book website with books suited to the children's learning.

Kind regards, **Miss Day. (Writing and Phonics Lead).**

Sports Crew Training 16th October 2025

On Thursday 16th October 2025 the Sports Crew have been invited to take part in training at Tadworth Leisure Centre from 8.40am to midday. The Sports Crew children are as follows:

6G: Peggy, Kian Rruci, Leena, Louis, Prithvi, Dylan Laurie and Elianna.

6H: Toby, Aarushi, Otis, Marta and Lochlan.

They will spend the morning learning how to plan and run competitive sporting events at our school. This will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop leadership and teamwork skills through sports coaching. Parents/Carers have been emailed and need to complete the Google form before Friday 10th October to confirm their attendance and that their lifts have been arranged.

Year 3 & Year 4 Boys' Tag Rugby Tournament at Auriol School

Well done to those selected to play tag rugby for the school at a NS Sport tournament on Friday 17th October 2025 at Auriol School 1. **The following children have been invited:** Leo F, Robert F, Henry K, Mathew L, Musa T, Nicolas L, Barnaby R, Henry Dodd, Luke K & Logan H. As it is not a home match please complete the Google form in the letter sent to inform us of your arrangements and permission for your child to take part. The children

⁸<https://forms.gle/qBJCGkBY2c4X9w8f8>

should bring their PE Kit, football boots (no metal studs please) and bring a named water bottle.

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. (1st to 3rd 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 **15th of October**. The winners will be called out in assembly on the **17th 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



Keep the Date - Parent Teacher Consultations

Remember to pencil in your diary our Parent Teacher Consultation afternoons on **10th and 11th November 2025 15:45-18:00**. On **Monday 10th November 2025** we will be holding face to face meetings and on **Tuesday 11th November 2025** virtual meetings.

Open Day Tours for Prospective Parents

Do you have a Year 2 children looking to join our Year 3 in September 2026? We are holding two open mornings for prospective parents/carers this term on **Tuesday 4th November 2025 - 10.15am - 11.30am** and **Wednesday 5th November 2025 - 10.15am - 11.30am**. This is the perfect opportunity to tour around our school with some of our prefects, see the classes in action and view the school at first hand. There will be a brief presentation on arrival and then a questions and answers session with the headteacher at the end of your personalised tour. If you are interested in booking the tour, please click on the following link and complete the form if you would like to attend. **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER⁹** We look forward to seeing you.

More PTA and Fundraising Events

Click here¹⁰ for the link to buy tickets for PTA events. You will need to sign up, if you have not attended any events in the past.

⁹<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSex9mvOTiDhEITgUr6Ho49TRYDSHmE4YC2tjrsopbKEfeFLOA/viewform>

¹⁰<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta>

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 1ST
OCTOBER - SIGN UP TO
GET PRIORITY EVENT
TICKETS



PLEASE JOIN US

~~SAVE THE DATE~~

Christmas Wreath Making

With Jade Green Flowers

21ST NOVEMBER
WFJS
£45

Includes a welcome drink and mince pie

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL HALL

Halloween Disco

£5

INCLUDES DRINK
AND SNACK



TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

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WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

4.30PM TO 5.30PM

FANCY DRESS
OPTIONAL -
PRIZES FOR
BEST COSTUMES



CHILD FRIENDLY
HALLOWEEN
COSTUMES PLEASE



YEAR 5

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF TEA & CAKE

SIBLINGS AND GRANDPARENTS WELCOME

YEAR 5 TEA PARTY



MEET THE HEAD TEACHER, DEPUTY HEAD
TEACHER AND CLASS TEACHERS

VIEW YOUR CHILDS WORK AND LISTEN TO
THEM SING

16 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 6



'Macbeth' The Young Shakespeare Company Storytelling Interactive Workshop 3rd November 2025

As part of the Year 6 literacy curriculum, we are looking at classical texts and famous authors. Following the enormous success of last year's visit, we have been fortunate to secure a visit from **The Young Shakespeare Company** on **Monday 3th November 2025**. The storytelling workshop, delivered by a team of experienced actors, provides a fun learning experience bringing to life the text of Shakespeare's '**Macbeth**'. Throughout the performance, the storytellers enable the children to become actively involved in the play through carefully structured drama and language activities. The children are encouraged to explore the motives, thoughts and feelings of each of the key characters using improvisation and drama.

In order to cover the cost of the visit we are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£12.50**. Please make your payment through Scopay, our online payment system. If your child qualifies for free school meals, there is some financial assistance. Please contact the school office for further details.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS and OTHER NEWS

Winter Uniform After Half Term - No Polo Shirts

After half term it is winter uniform until March 2025. No polo shirts after October, so it is time to learn how to tie a tie, check jumpers have names in and label warm waterproof coats for the winter.

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

For the full uniform click here on link below <https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/parents/uniform>

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

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

500 Words Competition Reminder - 9pm Friday 7th November 2025

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.

<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

SAFEGUARDING and WELLBEING

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides 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 wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [thenationalcollege.com](https://www.thenationalcollege.com).

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about VPNs

VPN use among UK teens is on the rise – with a noticeable uptick following the introduction of the Online Safety Act's age-verification rules. A VPN – or virtual private network – can boost online privacy by hiding internet activity and masking the user's location. But while this technology has legitimate uses, it can also allow children to bypass safety filters and access inappropriate content. This guide covers what parents and educators need to know about VPNs and how to keep young people safe.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- BYPASSING RESTRICTIONS**
VPNs are commonly used by young people to get around blocks on school networks or parental controls. This could include accessing social media, gaming sites or adult content that would otherwise be blocked.
- ACCESSING INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**
When a VPN is active, content filters can no longer see which sites a child is visiting. This means they could access inappropriate content without detection. This gives them a harder time to intervene when a child is engaging in risky behaviour, as it may be difficult to detect it's happening.
- REDUCED TRANSPARENCY**
VPNs may make parental monitoring difficult. Keeping parents from monitoring their child's activities, including their ability to identify potential threats, could expose them to inappropriate content or online contact. This in turn may prevent parents from protecting their children from attempted sextortion or other online threats.
- FALSE SENSE OF ANONYMITY**
Children believing that VPNs make them 'invisible' online may seek to explore uncharted internet territory, including content which might otherwise be blocked. This may result in them seeing and accessing increasingly inappropriate – or even harmful – content.
- INCREASED EXPOSURE TO MALWARE**
Many VPNs are poorly regulated and may contain hidden malware. Hackers could exploit unpatched software, could unknowingly open up their device (and home network) to spying, data theft, computer viruses, or even remote access by criminals.
- RISK OF MALICIOUS VPN PROVIDERS**
Although VPNs may promise privacy from network or real-life provider filtering and monitoring, the result is increased data usage data to VPN providers. Some VPN providers may track, use, and share that data to advertisers – or worse, malicious third parties, for all VPNs use insecurity.

Advice for Parents & Educators

- EXPLAIN THE POSSIBLE BENEFITS OF VPNs**
Explain how VPNs can help protect user data and therefore may be appropriate when using public or other unsecured Wi-Fi, or while dealing with sensitive corporate or personal data.
- EXPLAIN THE RISKS OF VPNs**
Discuss online risks, including harmful, disturbing, and criminal content. Inform children about criminal content, such as sextortion, and how VPNs may prevent adults from monitoring children's internet use and helping them avoid these risks.
- FREE ISN'T FREE**
Discuss the risk of 'free' VPNs and how they may sell or use people's data, which adds privacy risks. Additionally, discuss the potential for added malware in VPN downloads, and how these compromised devices and apps, leading to potential fraud or theft.
- CHECK DEVICES FOR VPNs**
VPNs can be installed on both apps and browser extensions, so regularly check these on the devices used by the young people in your care if they have been using VPNs. Discuss it, listen to their reasoning, and inform them of the associated risks. In some cases, it may be appropriate to block VPN use via parental controls and other settings.
- DISCUSS ONLINE BOUNDARIES**
Reinforce the importance of keeping safe online and how filtering and monitoring helps keep young people safe – explain this to them rather than just 'being strict'. Encourage an open conversation around what they're accessing and why.

Meet Our Expert
This guide has been created in collaboration with Gary Henderson, director of IT at a large independent school in the UK, an ambassador for the Association of Network Managers in Education and the Vice Chair of the Independent Schools' Council Digital Advisory Group.

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in your hands



**WHEN THE HEART STOPS,
THE CLOCK STARTS.**

What happens next is in your hands.

Learn CPR and how to use a defibrillator this October.

Join one of our FREE:

- Interactive 30-minutes live-stream sessions
- Live in-person sessions
- Pre-recorded sessions to watch on-demand at a time that suits you



Tailored sessions for every age group



Sign up now, it's in your hands
aakss.org.uk/restart

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You Are Not Alone - Free Parent Online Drop-In

Parenting an autistic child can feel amazing, confusing, and overwhelming, sometimes all in the same day. That's why we host our **no-cost monthly online drop-in sessions for parents and carers**.

First Tuesday of every month
7pm - 8.30pm
Platform: Zoom



Erik Wagter - host of the drop-in

What these sessions are all about

We've created a safe, non-judgemental space where parents can bring their questions, share worries and connect with others who 'get it'.

Topics often included:

- Understanding and responding to challenging behaviour
- Making sense of autism on a deeper level
- The ups and downs of family relationships and dynamics
- Working with schools and professionals
- Meeting like-minded parents and realising you are not alone

What parents can expect to take away:


- Feeling heard, appreciated, and understood
- Knowing they are seen as the experts on their own child and family
- Feeling hopeful and having gained practical ideas

Who runs the sessions?

I'm Erik Wagter, co-founder of Autism Family Support Service. Alongside being a social worker, trainer and Solution Focused family coach, I also bring over two decades of personal lived family experience of autism.

If you would like to join please send an email to sallywagter@gmail.com and we will send you the Zoom link.


Autism Family Support Service
www.autismfamilysupportservice.com




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Phone: 07554 403522
Or scan the QR code to the right



Click here¹¹ for More Information About Safeguarding at Wallace Fields Junior School

CLUBS

Gardening Club Reminder - Volunteers & Equipment Needed

We are looking for more adult volunteers to help with our free popular gardening club. We have two volunteers running the club but we had **30 children** keen to take part this week; so we really need more adults to help. They are a lovely group of children and it is great to see them out in the fresh air having fun and enjoying hands-on science growing fruit and vegetables.

If you could spare an hour on a **Tuesday lunchtime** that would be fantastic. No gardening experience needed just plenty of enthusiasm and willing to get your hands dirty and encourage the children to take part.

If you cannot spare any time but do have **some gardening gloves or old tools** such as trowels you can donate that would be fabulous. Do not worry about the condition - we will mend and fix up as needed. Please bring in to the School Office.

¹¹<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/safeguarding>

Parking for Wrap Around Care

If you are driving to drop your child into JAG wrap around care, please do slowly and with extreme care. Other children walking with their parents will be crossing this car park so please be alert to this.

Please park with consideration to neighbours and school staff.

Sign Up for NS Sport Holiday Club at Half Term



The image is a promotional flyer for NSSport Holiday Activities at Wallace Fields Junior school, running from 27-31 October. The top section features the NSSport logo and five cartoon children playing various sports. Below this, the text reads 'NSSport Holiday Activities Wallace Fields Junior 27-31 October' and 'SAFE, SPOOKY, FUN, ALL WEEK LONG.' A purple button labeled 'Make a Booking' is positioned below the text. The middle section contains a large, colorful illustration of a Halloween-themed event titled 'NEXT STEP HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES YEARS 1-11'. The illustration depicts a witch, a ghost, a pumpkin, and a child in a costume, set against a dark, spooky background. Text within the illustration includes 'NNSport presents a action-packed holiday activity programme offering a further of sports, arts/crafts and more activities for children in a safe and fun environment.', 'WALLACE FIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL', 'KIDDLING ROAD', '27-31 OCTOBER 2023', and '9.30 AM - 11.30 PM'. A purple button labeled 'View Holiday Activities Flyer' is located below the illustration. The bottom section is an orange banner with white text stating: 'Due to popular demand, our Half-Term Adventures for 4-5 year olds will also be running over October Half Term at Wallace Fields, giving little ones another chance to join the fun! Running from 9.30 AM - 1.00 PM, this fun-filled half-day option offers a safe, welcoming, and engaging environment where children can enjoy age-appropriate activities, make new friends, and build confidence while having a great time.'

NSSport Holiday Activities is the perfect place to have fun

We provide active, affordable and exciting childcare for primary school aged children in Years 1-6. We aim to inspire children with a passion for health and fitness through innovative activities and unique approaches. Recently rated as Ofsted 'Outstanding' and led by a dedicated, enthusiastic and highly qualified team we ensure your child is safe and experiences the best time. Our knowledge allows us to care for your child in a fun, age appropriate and friendly environment whilst maintaining their physical, social and emotional development.

Full Play Options

We are pleased to inform you that NSSport Holiday Activities camps offer a full range of play options which allows you to work freely or go about your daily routine uninterrupted knowing that your child(ren) are in safe hands.

STANDARD PLAY	EXTENDED AM/PM	EXTENDED PLAY
£27	£30	£33
09:45 - 16:15	08:00-16:15 09:45-18:00	08:00 - 18:00

Here's what we have to offer

WEEK 1: 27-31 OCTOBER

NS STARS: HALLOWEEN
NS STRIKERS: FRIGHT ON THE FIELD

[Go To Bookings >](#)

How do I make a booking?

All bookings via our website at nssport.co.uk

If you haven't booked with us before you will need to register for an NSSport account. Registration is a one off process just so we have all the relevant information about your child as well as your contact details. Registration can be done via our website nssport.co.uk. Select the **VENUE** followed by the **REGISTER** button from the website header. Once you have registered you will have access to our **BOOKINGS** area. Select the activities which you wish to book and add to your **BASKET**, then proceed to **CHECKOUT** to make payment. We accept childcare vouchers (a list can be found on our website within the FAQ section), debit and credit cards. Please ensure you select the correct **CARD TYPE** when entering your details and confirm your **NAME** and **ADDRESS** are filled in correctly as displayed on your card. Failure to do so may result in an unsuccessful booking. A booking confirmation email will be issued when payment has been made to confirm your child's place.

All bookings must be placed on our website and are allocated on a first come first serve basis. We are unable to reserve any places. Please make yourself familiar with our terms and conditions regarding all our policies prior to booking. We ask that when your child(ren) attends a NSSport Holiday Activities camp they are in good health. We welcome guests to all our venues and look forward to having a fun time with your child(ren) over the holiday period.

Have a question?

Should you require any further information or have some questions regarding our service, please do get in touch by email and we will be happy to assist.

[Email Us](#)

Social media

Changed your mind? [Unsubscribe](#)

Stay up-to-date with current activities and future events by following us on your favourite social media channels.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Football Achievement



Savannah B (3D) was awarded Player of the Week for Alexandra United FC U8 Sapphires on Saturday. Savannah scored a hat trick, including 2 goals in the final minutes of the game, helping the Sapphires to secure a 4-4 full-time score. The whole team showed determination, resilience and belief right until the final whistle - well done girls!

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
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




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

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