



Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

Friday 19th January 2024



DATES NEXT WEEK

- **Monday 22nd January 2024**
 - Selected Year 5 and 6 Swimming
 - Year 5 bring in clothes in named bag in preparation for French Fashion Show
- **Wednesday 24th January 2024** - Netball Match Away Match at St Martin's 3.45-4.30pm
- **Thursday 25th January 2024** - A, B and Girls Team Fixture at Home v St Joseph's 3.15-4.15pm
- **Friday 26th January 2024** - PAW Group Visit Year 3

[Click Here¹ for Upcoming Events](#)

[Click here² for School Calendar and to Subscribe to Calendar](#)

HEAD'S UPDATE

Positive Feedback: We have had a lot of positive feedback recently from parents and from visiting school parents for the netball match. They have commented on the supportive and friendly attitude of the staff and children and it is always good to hear. A special mention to the administrative team and our caretaker Mr Findlay as they are often going over and above to ensure the children feel happy, supported and safe in school. You only have to visit a few institutions to meet admin staff that can less than welcoming so it really gives you a feel for the atmosphere inside. Thanks to all those parents who have taken the time out to write in and share their positive feedback. It is very much appreciated.

Quiz Club General Knowledge Success - A selection of children took part in the first heat of the Quiz Club general knowledge competition and managed to get through to the next round! The team, from across the whole school, worked well and their strategic thinking and wide general knowledge paid off. My congratulations to Sebi, Kiaan, Josh T and Daniel P. Excellent effort.

Financial Audit: We are currently being audited by Surrey County Council. We have been randomly selected and they are simply checking all due processes and effective financial management of the school. The auditor is polite and convivial and have conducted themselves with great professionalism whilst they dig deep into our systems. The report is not publicly available but does reassure Surrey that all is well.

THIS WEEK

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1748289532225585319>

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1748318405461963215>

Netball Match Fixture Report

On Wednesday 17th January 2024 our netball team played another fixture with St. Martins School. A fun fixture in which WFJS players have started to cement their roles within the team. Great play from

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

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

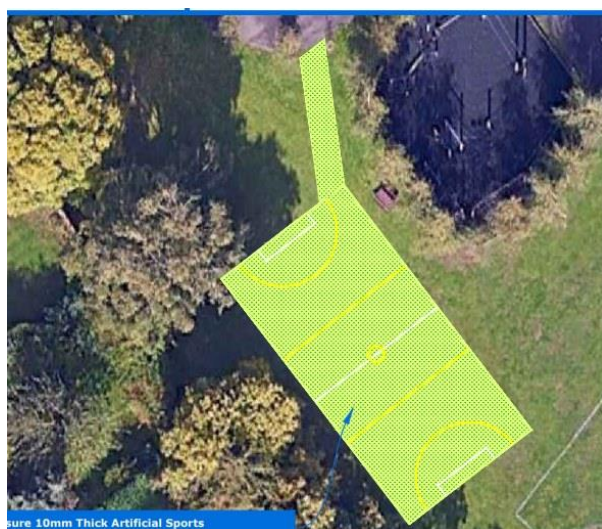
Dolsie who's fast feet saw her winning balls. Suria proved accurate as goal shooter and Quinn's quick thinking and agility landed him a well-deserved player of the match. Although the team battled hard, St Martins proved to be the stronger team with their consistent ability to find space and shoot accurately. A great lesson for WFJS who are proving that they learn and develop from every fixture. Thank you too all the players and spectators. Keep it up! Mr Sellars (Sports Lead).

Football Matches Postponed Due to Frozen Pitches

- Sadly the B team football match was postponed on Thursday 18th January 2024. The match against The Vale was rescheduled due to the cold weather and will now be held on 22nd February 2024.
- Also the Year 4 football tournament at Auriol Junior School was also postponed on Friday 19th January 2024 due to heavy frost and is likely to be rearrange to 9th February 2024.

NEXT WEEK

ALL WEATHER PITCH SPONSORED WALK FUND RAISER



At Wallace Fields Junior School, it is our priority that pupils, staff and our wider community are supported with their wellbeing - mentally and physically. This year, we want to promote the relationship between a positive wellbeing and exercise. There is a range of evidence, supported by the Department for Education (DfE), which highlights the positive impact exercise can have on our wellbeing, not only physically but also mentally - increasing our mental alertness, energy and positive mood. We have planned some exciting events that the children will be partaking in whilst at school to allow all the children and staff to come together to ensure regular access to exercise throughout the week. This term, we would like to introduce a Sponsored Walk/ Run as we ask Wallace Field Junior School pupils to 'Walk Fast, Jog Swiftly'.

This is an event where all children are involved in a fund-raising effort on behalf of the school. All money raised goes to the PTA school fund which is used to support pupil activities over the academic year. For this event, we would like to donate money towards the all-weather pitch. ALL WEATHER PITCH

Each class will be challenged to work as a team to walk, jog or run a certain VIRTUAL distance.

Year 3 – walking/running 53 miles to Brighton.

Year 4 – walking/running 61 miles to Portsmouth.

Year 5 – walking/ running 70 miles to Cambridge.

Year 6 – walking/ running 80 miles to Dover.

The children will be given the opportunity each week during the Weekly Mile and at the start of each games lessons to complete as many laps of the playground in a designated time. Their laps will be counted, converted to a distance and recorded. All pupils will have 3 weeks to complete the challenge. Each child will be contributing to the class total and you will be sponsoring the entire class as a whole unit. If you or anyone in your community wishes to sponsor your child's class, your child will be sent home with a sponsorship form on the week commencing 22nd January 2024.

We ask that all sponsorship be paid online via the link below by the end of the half term. Any donations are highly appreciated.

Please return all sponsorship forms to the school office and make your donations by Friday 9th February 2024.

We hope this event serves to promote the children's physical and mental wellbeing as well as create some healthy competition across the school. Please see our newsletter for weekly updates on how the children are progressing. We look forward to seeing which class can reach their destination first!

How to pay your sponsorship money?

We are collecting sponsorship money via the following CROWDFUND PAGE

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/all-weather-pitch-sponsored-walk>

Please open the above link and make payment.

Parents may wish to collect sponsorship money from grandparents, friends or relatives and then pay on the above link in one transaction. Parents may also share the above link with sponsors who can make their own payment. If you are a UK taxpayer, please ensure you tick the Gift Aid box.

NSPCC Rocks is back on TTRS! **This competition is running on Friday 2nd February 2024.** The children have a 1-hour time limit to contribute to the tournament on this day. This is a really good way to raise awareness about the NSPCC, especially following our recent assembly and lessons, and

continue to strengthen our fluency with our tables. We are really looking forward to celebrating the most valuable players in Celebration Assembly the following week. Miss Sarjeant.

YEAR 4

Year 4 Science Homework

Year 4 Science Half Termly Homework is now available on Google Classroom and it is due back on Wednesday 21st February 2024.

Year 4 – Residential Trip to Ufton Court 7th – 8th May 2024

Please make a note of the following instalment dates:

- **2nd instalment of £75 due 2nd February 2024**
- 3rd instalment of £75 due 15th March 2024

YEAR 5

Year 5 French Fashion Show

As our theme in French for Spring 1 is clothing, we are delighted to inform you that we will be **holding a French Fashion Show on Monday, 29th January in the hall.** The Year 5 children will be presenting their fashion collections (i.e. winter, spring, summer or autumn) to both year 5 classes and their teachers. To be able to strut their stuff on the catwalk, we kindly ask that children bring in these clothes into school in advance on **Monday, 22nd January 2024** in a named bag. The clothes will be kept at school until after the fashion show and then taken home on 29th January. Thank you for your co-operation. Vive la mode! Mme. Cornell

Year 5 Date For Your Diary

Year 5 Music Assembly - Tuesday 12th March 1.15pm (Parents of performers are invited to attend)

If your child would like to take part in the music assembly, auditions will be taking place during the Year 5 music lessons on **Tuesday 5th March 2024.** Please ensure your child brings their instrument and music on this day ready to perform. Parents of children selected to perform will receive an email.

Year 5 and 6 Swimming

The chosen children will continue swimming on Monday mornings. Parents have been informed. **Lessons will continue on the following dates:**

22nd and 29th January

5th, 26th February

4th and 11th and 18th March 2024

Voluntary donations of £50 have been requested and this can be made via Scopay. Please remember to pack swimming costume/trunks and a towel for each Monday as we leave sharply at 8.55am.

Year 5 – Residential Trip to Marchants Hill 7th to 10th May 2024

Please make a note of the following instalment dates:

- **3rd instalment £115 due 26th January 2024**
- 4th instalment of £110 due 1st March 2024

YEAR 5 & 6

Epsom and Ewell Schools Music Festival

Year 5 & 6 Choir members parents/carers have been contacted regarding the annual Epsom and Ewell Schools Music Festival which takes place at the Playhouse every year. As more schools have been invited this year, the size of the choir we are able to bring has been reduced to just **14 children**. So we are planning to **divide the choir into two groups one performing on Tuesday 26th March 2024 (5-7pm) and one on Wednesday 27th March 2024 (5pm -7pm)**. Parents/Carers have been **emailed a Google form** to indicate their preference. Please be aware that there is a parents evening clash on the Tuesday. There will also be a **daytime rehearsal at the Playhouse on Monday 25th March 2024, from 10.00am - 2.30pm**. If there are too many responses for the 28 places, I will give priority to Year 6 and the two Year 5s who missed out last year before picking the remaining children out of a hat.

Year 5 and 6 Mobile Phone Policy

We have had to speak this week to some of the children about inappropriate use of their mobile phones within the school grounds. This is a safeguarding and online safety issue and the children have been made well aware of this numerous times.

Mobile phones are not encouraged, for their own safety and the safety of their peers, so we do require a reason for your child to bring their phone on to the premises - which is highlighted on the 'Mobile Phone Policy for Pupils³'.

Key points are as follows:-

- Mobile phones should be switched off at the gate before they enter school and handed in to the class teacher or the School Office. Phones can be collected at the end of the school day or after a club.
- All phones have been given a label so that children can write their name on their phone; this is to prevent children taking the wrong phone; which has happened previously.
- Parents must sign the mobile phone agreement for pupils should you decide to send your child into school with their phone. Please click here ⁴to download the form or pop into the School Office.
- If phones are brought in to school without a name, without the signed permission slip with a valid reason, or still turned on beyond on the school site, they will be confiscated in line with our policy. Parents will be asked to collect the mobile phone at the end of the day.

Thank you for continuing to safeguard all children here at Wallace Fields junior School..

³<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/policies>

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

YEAR 6

Year 6 Date for Your Diary

Year 6 Music Assembly - Tuesday 27th February 1.15pm (Parents of performers are invited to attend)

If your child would like to take part in the music assembly, auditions will be taking place during the Year 6 music lessons on **Thursday 22nd February**. Please ensure your child brings their instrument and music on this day ready to perform. Parents of children selected to perform will receive an email.

Year 6 – Residential Trip to France 15th to 19th July 2024

Payments

Please make a note of the following instalment dates:

- **2nd instalment of £120 due 22nd January 2024**
- 3rd instalment of £120 due 25th March 2024
- 4th instalment of £120 due by 10th June 2024

Passports

All children will be required to use their own passport for the French Trip. If you need to apply for a passport, please do so in plenty of time. Please note current UK passports must be at the time of travel:

- Less than 10 years old
- Valid for at least 3 months after the day we leave France

You will need to send in your child's **passport to the school office by 6th June 2024**.

EHIC / GHIC

All children will require either a valid in-date European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) or a Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). If your child's EHIC is out of date then you should apply for a GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card).

PTA AND FUNDRAISING



WALLACE FIELDS
JUNIOR SCHOOL

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE



**WEDNESDAY
7TH FEBRUARY
CARD AND
CASH
3:15-3:45PM**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR UNIFORM DONATIONS TO
THE OFFICE THIS WEEK!**

PTA Comedy Night

WFJS welcomes the return of the infamous Comedy Night. Bring your sense of humour and get ready to laugh. Funniest tickets in-town are now available to book via pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta⁵

Doors open at 7:30pm on **Friday 15th March 2024** First drink and bar snacks included WFJS PTA.

⁵<http://pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta>



PTA Valentines Disco - Thursday 8th February 2024.

Valentines Disco for the children is selling really well and we can't wait for DJ Findlay's playlist for the kids to boogie and play games to. Get your child's ticket via PTA Events: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta>



Other PTA Events



General Reminders and News

Artistic Adults Needed to Create Mural

Mrs Curran is looking for volunteers who would like to paint a mural on the climbing wall at the school. Any adults who are artistic and would like to be a part of this project, please may they contact Mrs Curran via office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁶

Join the Exciting Globo Kidz Camp this February Half Term Camp at Wallace Fields Junior School!



After an extremely successful October Camp, we are thrilled to announce an action-packed and exhilarating February Half Term Camp at Wallace Fields Junior School! Get ready for a week full of sports, games, and endless fun for your children.

Date: 12th February – 16th February 2024.

At our camp, your child will have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of sports and activities. From football to table tennis, netball, invasion games to glow dodgeball, and even laser tag and nerf wars, we have something for everyone!

Our experienced and enthusiastic coaches will guide the children through various sports drills, skill-building exercises, and exciting team games. They will not only have a blast but also develop their teamwork, coordination, and sportsmanship skills.

To register your child for this fantastic February Half Term Camp, simply visit our website www.globokidzcamp.co.uk⁷ or give us a call at 07725021035. Spaces are limited, so don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!

We can't wait to welcome your child to the Wallace Fields Junior School Half Term Camp, where they will make new friends, learn new skills, and create unforgettable memories. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Best regards,

Globo Kidz Camp

French Homework

French Linguascope practice: (remember it's optional but will help prepare you for our Top Translator Event)

⁶<mailto:office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

⁷<https://www.globokidzcamp.co.uk/>

Year 3: Linguascope/Elementary/Colours

Year 4 : Linguascope Beginner/Moi et ma famille/Description du visage (for eyes and hair colour)

Year 5: Linguascope Beginner/Les vêtements 1 & Les vêtements 2

Year 6: Linguascope /Beginner/L'alimentation/Les snacks (for food cognates)



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Starting back from 9th January

Tuesday Afternoons at Ewell Family centre
1.30pm – 2.30pm



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Struggling to stay warm this winter?



Come and join us for Warm Wednesdays

10am - 3:30pm

Hot drinks & stay cosy

12 noon - 1:30pm

Hot soup and roll

3:30 - 6pm

Family after-school club
with games, kid's entertainment & evening meal

Plus! One-stop advice café every week. See over for details...



all completely.



- Simply drop in, no booking required
- Wednesdays from 1st November to 13th March
- Epsom Methodist Church, Ashley Road, KT18 5AQ

