

Wallace Fields Junior School Newsletter

23rd June 2023



KEY DATES

- **Readathon Week**
- **Monday 26th June 2023** - Selected Year 5/6 Swimming
- **Tuesday 27th June 2023** - Year 2 Transition Day
- **Wednesday 28th June 2023**
 - Bhangra workshop during school. Please don't forget to pay the voluntary donation on Scopay
 - Positive Parenting Workshop 9.30am - 11.30am 28th June 2023
- **Thursday 29th June** - Sports Day. Upper Field. 9.30am to 12.10pm. All Parents welcome
- **Friday 30th June**

- Year 5 Science Fair 9.30am -10.00am. Year 5 Parents welcome
- Silent Auction Closes at 3.30pm.

For the latest dates click here¹ for calendar on website.

HEAD'S UPDATE



Celebration Evening / Summer Fair: My thanks to everyone for their hard work and effort to put together the Celebration Evening and Summer Fair. The children have been practicing for weeks and they did so well. My thanks also to the PTA for putting in so much hard work to bring the Summer Fair Together. Thanks lastly to all the parents and carers who came along to support it. All funds raised will go towards exciting projects and events funded by the PTA including the pantomime, visitors and new equipment for the playground.

Painshill Park Trips: The children in the lower school had an amazing time at Painshill Park. Year 3 had a different experience to Year 4 . Unusually, the trips have been changed slightly to accommodate restrictions at our usual sites, however Painshill Park proved to be a huge hit with the children so this is one that we hope to repeat in Year 4.

Dance Festival - Epsom Playhouse: I had the pleasure of watching our dancers at the Dance Festival at Epsom Playhouse on Wednesday. The local cluster of schools all took part and the performances were over two evenings. The dances were amazing and a special well done to the Wallace Fields Junior crew who performed 'This Is How We Do It' as all dances were 90s themed. My thanks to our very own Mrs Louise Wilson who organised the whole event and to Ms. Lauren Johnson, our dance teacher, who choreographed the dance itself. Well done!

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

IMPORTANT

Silent Auction now open



WALLACE FIELDS
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Summer Fair Silent Auction 2023

Closes 3.30pm on 30.06.23

If you are interested in any of the items below, please enter your bid in the box next to the item and place in the silent auction post box (located in schools reception or on the field on the day of the fair). Please note you do not need to enclose any money at this stage, if you are the highest bidder for any of the lots you will be contacted after Friday 30.06.23 to arrange payment. You do not have to bid on all items listed. Please only bid the amount you are happy to pay for the item.

	Lot 1 – 4 Ball at Malden Golf Club for use Mon – Thur donated by Malden Golf Club Pro Shop Value £240.00	Bid £		Lot 2 – £100 John Lewis Voucher – donated by Dentons Catering Equipment Value £100	Bid £
	Lot 3 – EA Sports FC 24 PS5 or PC or Xbox X Deluxe editiona videogame code 1 or 2 weeks before general relese in late September!! Value £90 and you get it early!	Bid £		Lot 4 Dualit 4 slot toaster donated by Dentons Catering Equipment Value £165.00	Bid £
	Lot 5 - Five Guys Vouchers Includes 4x burger or hot dog, fries and soft drink or milkshake Value up to £74.80	Bid £		Lot 6 Bar tab for the value of £25.00 at The Famous Green Man Ewell Value £25	Bid £
	Lot 7 VIP Experience at Epsom Beer Festival for 2 Includes 2x entry tickets, free glass each, free souvenir T shirt each and 6 free pints each! Value £90.00	Bid £		Lot 8 – One Months free gym membershtp at Rig Gym Epsom Includes classes and group PT sessions Value £49.00	Bid £
	Lot 9 – 4x Entry to RHS Garden Wisley Expires 10.06.2024 Value up to £66.00	Bid £		Lot 10 – Chobham Adventure Farm £50 voucher Expires 10.09.2023 Value £50	Bid £
	Lot 11 – Painshill Family admission (2 adults and up to 4 children) expires 23.12.23 Value up to £42.00	Bid £		Lot 12 –Bocketts Farm 2x tickets Expires 09.02.24 (not valid 21 st – 29 th October or 25 th Nov to 24 th Dec 2023) Value – up to £39.00	Bid £
	Lot 13 – Dorking Halls 2x Cinema Tickets Value up to £24.00	Bid £		Lot 14 – London Wetland Centre 2x Childresn tickets, expire 31.12.2023 Value £22.00	Bid £
	Lot 15 – Fishers Adventure Farm Park 2x child goes free with fee paying adult - expires 23.06.24 Vaue upto £39.90	Bid £		Lot 16 Bird World 1x free child ticket with every adult ticket purchased expires 25th Feb 2024 Value £14.95 each	Bid £

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Email: _____

Readathon Week Commencing 26th June 2023

An exciting few weeks ahead of us and it is time for our annual sponsored **Readathon**. Every year, pupils at Wallace Fields Junior School ask and want more time to read at school. So, this year, children will be working together in the classes to try to read the greatest total of books across two weeks. We will also be asking children to be sponsored to read per book. The size of the books does not matter; it could be a short story, a magazine, a comic, a cookbook, a newspaper, or a whole book. If your child is a particularly confident and fast reader, perhaps encourage them to read chapter books or you may be out of pocket! During the two weeks readathon, we will be tracking the class totals in the classroom. Children will be awarded certificates for each milestone reached. This will be for their 1st complete book, their 5th, 10th etc.

We hope it will be a really exciting two weeks and we look forward to the 2023 Readathon.

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²<https://www.scopay.com/wallacefields-jun>

Sports Day - Thursday 29th June on Upper Field 9.30am to 12.10pm

All parents and carers are welcome to come along and watch from 9.30am on Thursday 29th June 2023 on our Wallace Fields Juniors Upper Field. Please ensure your child wears a labelled hat or cap if it is hot and you apply sun barrier cream before leaving home. It would be great for children to bring in a t-shirt in their house colour to wear on the day. All children must bring in a water bottle. Please do not bring snacks or drinks for your children. If you could help serve with the water bottle refill station then please email the School Office on Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk³

Bhangra Dance Workshop 28th June 2023

We are delighted to welcome the Bhangra Dance Group, who will be presenting an energetic Dance Workshop to the children on 28th June 2023. The children will take part in an energetic and vibrant workshop, learning traditional steps linked to historic North Indian festivals and will demonstrate their newly learnt skills in an assembly at the end of the session. For a more authentic experience, children will be provided with dance props and small items of the traditional costume.

To cover the cost of the visit, we need to ask for a voluntary **donation of £2 per child**.

It is not possible to run the wide variety of workshops and trips available, without parental contributions. Please make your payment via our on-line payment system Scipay.

Epsom and Ewell Art Competition - final entries 3rd July 2023

Wallace Fields will be taking part in the Epsom and Ewell Art competition which is held at Bourne Hall in September. The theme for this year is Belonging-Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. Children may use any medium of their choice. They need to complete their piece of work on an A3 paper.

Last week two afternoons have been dedicated to creating a diversity and inclusion piece of Art. If children would like to submit their pieces that they complete in class, to possibly be chosen, they are more than welcome to do so. They are also allowed to complete a piece at home that they would like to submit for the competition. Final entries for the competition will be taken in on the 3rd July 2023. Please may children hand in the entries to Art Lead Ms Jacques.

Eid-al Adha Wednesday 28th June 2023

In the UK, the festival of Eid-al Adha 2023 is predicted to be on Wednesday 28th June 2023. If your child will be observing Eid and it effects their attendance then please do let the School Office know in advance by emailing Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁴

Can You Offer Holiday Home to School Guinea Pigs?

We need a volunteer to take the school guinea pigs home for the first two weeks of the summer hols - 21st July to 5th August 2023. We will provide the guinea pig home and necessary training. Please contact the School Office on Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁵

THIS WEEK

Painshill Park Trips for Year 3 and 4

Year 4 had a fantastic day at Painshill Park on Tuesday pond dipping and exploring the park. Thank you so much to Willow and Rocco's mum and Freddie's mum who helped on on the trip. thanks also

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to all the staff who helped on the trip and the office who did all the bookings of site and transport etc.

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1671158277324013572>

Year 3 explored Painshill Park on Thursday! We became plant explorers and created our own gardens. Thank you to Mrs Bracher, Mrs Wilson and Mr Kumar for helping. The children were brilliant and represented Wallace Fields Junior School superbly. They were enthusiastic throughout the day and showed their great scientific knowledge as we ventured around. Well done, Year 3!

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1671902134319677442>

Celebration Evening and WFJS Summer Fair

By the time this newsletter goes out the Celebration Evening will be well underway and everyone will have enjoyed the singing and other performances. We hope you are enjoying a lovely balmy evening and buying lots of things and enjoying all the stalls to help raise money for the school. Thank you so much to the PTA for organising this event - it is a huge effort and they have done so well.



Year 5 Dance Festival

Well done to all the dancers who performed at the Epsom and Ewell Dance Festival at Epsom Playhouse. The dancers were: - Alejandra, Angela, Dolsie, Edie, Evie, Grace, Ivan, Julia, Liyana, Mahlia, Olivia, Quin, Suria & Sylvie and they were so well behaved and danced with great enthusiasm.

Diversity Day - Friday 23rd June 2023

It was lovely to see so many children wearing clothes **that celebrate their culture and heritage.** We have a broad range of cultures represented at our school and it was fantastic to see this on display. A wide range of diversity celebrations, songs, clothes, culture and art were shared across the school.

YEAR 6

French Residential Trip Update

Next week we will be sending out an email with the final details including timings and packing lists for the French Trip.

Transition Events

On Tuesday 27th June 2023 most children will be attending a transition day at their new secondary school as we welcome the current Year 2 to visit our school. If you have not done so already please let us know if your Year 6 child is attending any transition events on different days as soon as possible by emailing Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁶

If your Year 6 child is not attending a transition event on Tuesday 27th June 2023 then we will expect your child to come into school as normal but we will be arranging fun activities in school. Please can they wear PE kits on this day.

Tickets Now on Sale for Year 6 School Production

Rehearsals have begun and the children are very enthusiastic! Tickets are now available to purchase via our online payment system Scopay. Parents may purchase **a maximum total of 4 tickets per child for either one performance or spread over the 3 performances.**

- **Wednesday 5th July 2023 from 7.00pm to 8.45pm including 15 minutes interval. Please purchase tickets on Scopay at £6 PER TICKET.** If you require two tickets please pay £12 or three tickets £18 etc . Just change the price paid for the number of tickets you require; or
- **Thursday 6th July 2023 from 7.00pm to 8.45pm including 15 minutes interval. Please purchase tickets on Scopay at £6 PER TICKET.** If you require two tickets please pay £12 or three tickets £18 etc . Just change the price paid for the number of tickets you require; or
- **Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday 4th July 2023 at 9.30am-11.30am.** Purchase tickets for £3 per ticket on Scopay and If you require two tickets please pay £6. Please note this is a dress rehearsal and the performance may have to be stopped early due to the school timetable, therefore you may not see the whole performance. The performance will be watched by the whole school and Year 2 of Wallace Fields Infant School pupils **so spaces are very limited** for this performance.

Children performing in the show will be expected to arrive earlier to get into costumes and make up. Information on timings to follow.

Until we do a full run through we will not be able to confirm the finish times so they are approximate.

You will not be issued with a ticket but **a guest list will be held on the door.**

The deadline for purchasing your two allocated tickets is Friday 30th June 2023. Any unpurchased tickets and a small surplus of extra tickets will be released after this date on a first come first served basis via Scopay.

Purchase a Souvenir Digitally Copy of the School Production

You can buy a professionally filmed copy of the show on a USB stick, which will be filmed on Thursday 6th July 2023. Please pay on Scopay £19 for your reserved copy and it will be handed out

⁶<mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

to your child in school before the end of term. The film will be by Magic Box Pictures who have been filming our school productions for many years. Order deadline by **Wednesday 5th July 2023**

Pre-Theatre and Interval Bar

Thank you to all the kind parents who have already signed up to run the school production pre-theatre and interval bar.

YEAR 5

Year 5 Science Fair - Friday 30th June 2023 9.30-10.00am

We would like to invite parents/carers to come in to the Year 5 science fair on Friday 30th June 2023 9.30am to 10.00am in the school hall, where children will present their projects to the visitors. The rest of the school will get to view the fair throughout the day and other year group parents/carers will be also be able to visit the Science Fair . Children must remember to bring in their Science project in the morning of Friday 30th June and will come in as normal for registration. Children will be encouraged to bring home their Science projects at the end of the day. ***Please note that Friday 30th June is the reserve sports day so if the sports day is cancelled on Thursday 29th then we will need to move the Science Fair to the afternoon of Friday 30th June, and parents will be emailed with details.***

Local Secondary Schools Open Evenings

A poster for Rosebery School's Open Evening. The poster has a dark blue background on the left with a red flower logo and the school's name. The right side features a collage of six photos: students working on a project, a student taking a photo, two students in lab coats, a student holding a beaker with a flame, a group of students in school uniforms, and a student smiling. The text on the poster provides details about the event on Thursday 6 July 2023, including welcome talks at 5pm, 5.45pm, and 6.30pm, no booking required, and limited on-site parking. The school's address and contact information are also listed.


Rosebery School

OPEN EVENING
Thursday 6 July 2023

- Welcome talks at 5pm, 5.45pm & 6.30pm
- Booking is not required
- Limited car parking will be available on-site

Rosebery School
Whitehorse Drive
Epsom
KT18 7NQ

www.roseberyschool.co.uk
01372 720439



YEAR 4

Mini Afternoon Concerts - Wednesday 12th July 2023

Year 4 have been working hard these last two terms learning how to read music and play the recorder. Having a goal is always beneficial and I know they are keen to demonstrate what they have learnt, so I have arranged a mini concert (it will only be about 15 mins long) for each class to perform a few short pieces to you on the recorder. It will also provide the opportunity for some of the singers who were not able to perform in the Year 4 music assembly to do so to an audience. The timing of the concerts are set within the normal lesson times for each class (plus allowing for sterilisation of recorders in between!) and are as follows:

4G - 2pm in the school hall

4J - 3pm in the school hall.

I realise this may be tricky for some of you if you are working so I will record the performances and they will be posted on Twitter. We look forward to sharing our Music with you, Mrs Johnstone (Music Lead)

Year 4 Residential Trip Next year 2024

This week all year 4 parents were sent a letter about the proposed residential trip in 2024 when your child will be in Year 5. Please ensure you complete the short Google form by Monday 12th June 2023 at 12pm to gauge interest in the PGL trip. [CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE FORM⁷](#)

YEAR 3

Upcoming Year 3 PSHE Lesson

In our PSHE lesson this term, we will be teaching children about their body parts and the underwear rule, through the use of recommended national resources such as the PSHE association. We will focus on which parts are private, and should not be touched or seen by other people.

The content of the lesson will cover: Naming parts of the body; “Appropriate” and “inappropriate” touching; your child’s right to say no to things that make them feel upset or uncomfortable; and who your child can turn to if they ever feel upset or worried

⁷<https://forms.gle/1GEkkQjkQXJmtMuL8>

We will also be teaching our pupils the NSPCC's Underwear Rule, using the 'PANTS' acrostic, which is a green cross code for staying safe from sexual abuse.

PANTS stands for: **P**rivates are private, **A**lways remember your body belongs to you, **N**o means no, **T**alk about secrets that upset you, **S**peak up, someone can help.

If you would like to know more about the NSPCC's campaign and see how you can help keep your children safe in partnership with our school, more information can be found at:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

If you have any questions about this lesson, please email the Office (office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁸) and they will be able to pass your questions on to the class teachers.

Please be mindful that we may be unable to answer these questions urgently due to our teaching hours.

Thank you, Miss Day and Mr Taylor

CLUBS

Wallace Fields Junior School Book Club – June meeting

We discussed our May reads. This month we talked about how real-life events can inspire writers and how life can sometimes imitate art. We read a newspaper article about the incredible recent survival story of four young children rescued from the Columbian jungle after 40 days and how this is almost exactly the plot of Katherine Rundell's 2018 novel *The Explorer*.

This month, we can choose to read any of the books below. Lower years might need a hand but it's worth persevering as these are AMAZING stories!

Years 3 and 4 can read either:

- **Based on a true story!** *A medal for Leroy* by Michael Morpurgo; **OR**
- **Where life imitates art!** *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell; **OR**
- If they've already read or don't fancy the above titles they could choose from: *Only Children* by David Baddiel (short stories); *Adam Wins the Internet* by Adam B (humour)

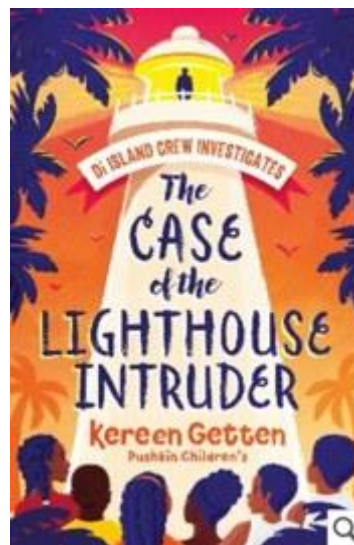
Years 5 and 6 can read either:

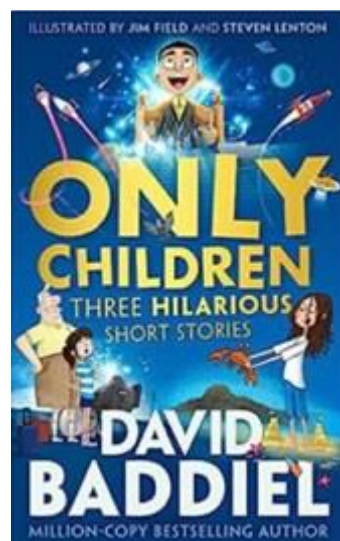
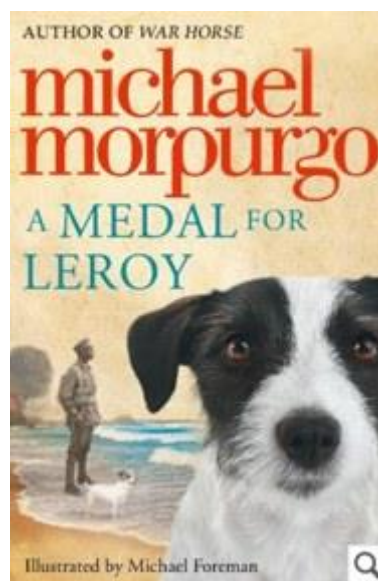
- **Based on a true story!** *Where the World Ends* by Geraldine McCaughrean; **OR**
- **Where life imitates art!** *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell; **OR**
- If they've already read or don't fancy the above titles they could choose from: *Adam Wins the Internet* by Adam B (humour) *The Case of the Lighthouse Intruder* by Kereen Getten (Mystery) *The Summer I Turned Pretty* by Jenny Han (Romance – Yr 6+)

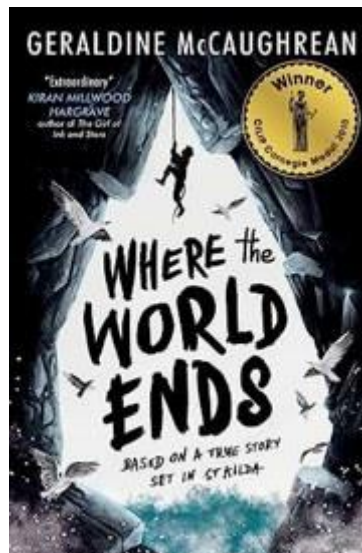
If you would like your child to join Book Club, please email me at steph.clarkson@btconnect.com⁹ to register. Happy reading!

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Last Clubs before Summer Holidays

Clubs are starting to finish now for the end of Summer term. Please look carefully below for when your child's club finishes and make sure you have arrangements in place.

The last date of clubs are as follows:-

- **Dodgeball club, Athletics, Cricket/rounders and Tag rugby** all have last session during the week commencing 10th July.
- **Arts /Crafts** – 10th July
- **Book Club** – 11th July /12th July
- **British Sign Language (BSL)** - 14th July 2023
- **Choir** – informal “Rock up and sing” free lunchtime sessions until end of term. Remind your child to listen out for announcements
- **Code Camp** - Monday 10th July /Wednesday 12th July
- **French Club** - Wednesday 12th July
- **Girls football** - Wednesday 12th July
- **Gardening club** – Ad hoc sessions until end of term.
- **Judo** - 4th July /5th July
- **Piano** – Please contact Mrs Cratchley re finish date of your child
- **Spanish** - all years 6th July
- **Science** - Year 6 Thursday 29th June /Year 4 Tuesday 11th July
- **Tennis** - 17th July (due to all the bank holidays and one inset day).
- **Theatre Arts** – Thursday 15th June /Friday 16th June

Exciting New Summer Holiday Club Coming to Wallace Fields Junior School - Globo Kidz Camp

We are delighted to announced that Globo Kidz Camp will be running fun outdoor activities for children aged 5 to 12 years of age at our school during the Summer holidays.

31st July - 25th August Monday-Friday 9:45am - 4pm (Early drop off from 8am & late pick up until 5:30pm available - please enquire).

This summer special offer: £25 per day.

Tagging Games, Archery, Football, Netball, Rounders, Table Tennis, Basketball, Glow in the dark Dodgeball, Nerf Guns, Laser Tag and more...

All their staff are highly qualified and experienced school teachers.

Email to book: globokidzcamp@outlook.com¹⁰

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GLOBO KIDZ CAMP

**FUN OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
FOR KIDS AGED 5-12**

Tagging Games - Archery
Football - Netball - Rounders
Table Tennis - Basketball
Glow In The Dark Dodgeball
Nerf Guns - Laser Tag
and more...

Monday to Friday
9:45am - 4pm

Wallace Fields Junior School,
Dorling Drive, Ewell, Epsom,
Surrey, KT17 3BH

This Summer Special offer
£25 per day

Early drop off from 8am & late pick up until 5:30pm
available - please enquire. All our staff are highly qualified
and experienced school teachers.

31 JULY - 25 AUGUST

EMAIL TO BOOK: GLOBOKIDZCAMP@OUTLOOK.COM

Wrap Around Care Provided by Junior Adventures Group - JAG!(formerly Energy Kidz)

Junior Adventures Group Club (JAG) provides excellent wraparound care at Wallace Fields Junior School. They run Breakfast Club from 7:30am until 8:45am and After School Club from 3:20pm until 6:00pm.



Dear school partner,

We are so excited to announce the launch of Junior Adventures Group UK to all of our families, schools & leisure partners, and children. We hope you've enjoyed seeing the first day in action.

To help you explore your new club further please see a selection of the key updates following your rebrand – where you can see all things new with your new Junior Adventures Group Club...



Our NEW Website is now LIVE!

We've developed a new and easier to use website delivering a first class digital experience for families. Whether it's **help booking children's spaces, finding their nearest venue, checking availability, discovering our new activities and Whole of Child programme or experiencing our new parent support portal** - we're so excited for you to experience JAG online yourselves! Head over to www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk now!



Learn more about our Whole of Child Promise!

Our new multi-activity programming ensures every day is always different! With activities split across seven exciting categories: **Creative Inventors, Global Kids, Super Sports, Power Teams, Zen Masters, Brain Boosters & Splash Zone**. Whether they're, moving their feet, gardening, painting or on a scavenger hunt, JAG time is always children's favourite time.



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Spread the word... JAG is here! Explore your NEW JAG partner toolkit...

As our partners in delivering amazing experiences for your families, we hope you share our excitement as your out-of-school hours club turns purple!

As promised, we are delighted to equip you with an up-to-date toolkit full of resources to update your website, communications to inform your family database of the change to JAG and updates to deliver via socials, newsletters or your preferred method of communication. Click the links below and download the content that matches your school service:

[Click here to access your JAG Toolkit](#)

- [E-Leaflets](#)
- [Posters](#)
- [Sample Timetables](#)
- [Social Media & Images](#)
- [Website Content](#)
- [Email out to parents](#)
- [Newsletter insert](#)

Late Collection Policy Update

Following on from our December communications as Energy Kidz & Fit For Sport regarding late bookings - we can confirm that our new late collection policy has taken effect. This means we can now not accommodate late bookings that are attempted to be made less than 60 minutes before a parent/guardian's desired session starts. As a reminder, we have informed all families registered with us in recent weeks.

We pride ourselves on being flexible for families, with adhoc bookings a popular feature for our families - however, to maintain high-quality care ensuring every child is safely welcomed to our clubs each day, our new late booking policy below will be effective immediately. We appreciate your support in this decision - please see the exact update below.

Please see the updates below:

- All families can make a booking via their online account up to 60 minutes before the session - this applies to our Breakfast & After School Clubs. We recommend



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families book in advance and offer a range of flexible payment methods to support them on their booking journey.

- Any families looking to drop their children at sessions not booked before the above timings will, unfortunately, not be on our register and, therefore unable to attend due to safeguarding requirements. **

We want to thank you in advance for your support with this process - enabling us to maintain the safety of all children in our care.

** We will, of course do our utmost to accommodate children in the event of an emergency, where the child is already registered with us and where we have the relevant space (ratio, team members and capacity). **We respectfully request that the school contact friendly customer care teams on 0333 577 1533 if this is the case.**

Expand your School Offering with JAG!

Our passion for making a difference in your local school community means we always explore different avenues to maximise our school partnerships. Discover our range of additional bespoke services via our new 'for schools' page: <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/for-schools/>

If you are interested in upgrading your school offering, please don't hesitate to reach out to your Regional Director or contact us at bd@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk.

Contact details!

We've updated our contact details! Our customer experience team are now available via:
Email: hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk Phone: 0333 577 1533

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your regional support team or reach out to our friendly team above.

Kind Regards,

Junior Adventures Group



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Reassured me I'm already taking the right approach

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NEW LEARNING
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YMCA EAST SURREY

Supporting your child with the transition from Primary to Secondary school

Join YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team for these informative and supportive online workshops about the transition from Primary to Secondary school and how you can support your child. There will be an opportunity for discussion and questions. These workshops are suitable for parents and carers with children in school Years 5-7.

- ▶ Wednesday 24 May 2023 | 18:30 - 19:30
- ▶ Wednesday 21 June 2023 | 18:30 - 19:30
- ▶ Wednesday 19 July 2023 | 18:30 - 19:30

Register your place at:
www.ymcaeastsurrey.org.uk/parent-workshops/

YMCA | Here for young people
Here for communities
Here for you

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about AI VIRTUAL FRIENDS

Artificial intelligence – particularly in terms of how it generates natural language – has seen significant development over the last six months, with companies releasing new AI-based software or adding an AI element to existing apps (such as Snapchat for example). One form of AI to become especially popular has been the AI friend or chatbot, as children eagerly experiment with these new (and computer-generated) companions. There are now numerous apps available with this 'virtual friend' functionality, with the likelihood of it being added to other successful platforms soon.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

CONTENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

AI chatbots may not always be able to recognise when content is age inappropriate or harmful and should be filtered out. So there's a possibility that children could be exposed to offensive language or explicit material while conversing with their virtual friend. The companies producing such AI solutions are also unlikely to take responsibility for any content that their algorithms generate.

REDUCED SOCIAL CONTACT

An excessive reliance on chatbots for social interaction could potentially cause a child to begin reducing the amount of face-to-face communication they have, leading to social isolation. If young people become dependent on chatbots to provide companionship, it could very likely hinder the development of their real-life social skills.

LACK OF SENSITIVITY

Chatbot software isn't always sophisticated enough to pick up on subtle emotional cues or recognise signs of distress in children, as most humans would. It might therefore fail to respond appropriately. AI misinterpreting what it's being told or replying insensitively to a young user who's already struggling could potentially impact a child's emotional wellbeing or exacerbate any existing emotional issues.

UNINTENTIONAL BIAS

AI companions are only as reliable as the information they've been programmed with. The algorithms they use, therefore, may unintentionally promote bias, stereotypes or discriminatory behaviour (as many originate from the USA or the UK, for instance, they can display a distinctly western-centric worldview). This could lead to children developing skewed attitudes and behaviours.

COGNITIVE LIMITATIONS

Although many are now undeniably advanced, AI-powered chatbots still have limitations in terms of understanding complex concepts, context and nuance. Depending heavily on chatbots to help with learning or solving problems may stunt the development of a child's own powers of critical thinking, creativity and ability to engage in open-ended discussions with other people.

PRIVACY CONCERNS

Chatbots typically collect data about users, including personal information and conversations. This is ostensibly to improve their performance as they gradually learn about our behaviour – but many experts are warning that there may be significant risks associated with how this information is stored and used (the possibility of potential breaches or misuse by third parties, for instance).

Advice for Parents & Carers

CHAT ABOUT CHATBOTS

If your child is already expressing an interest in AI apps, a relaxed, natural chat should help you to discover which ones they're aware of and how they're using them (or are planning to). Discuss these options with your child and perhaps do your own research to ensure you think they're suitable. Once you're totally happy, you could sit with your young one and begin exploring AI chatbots together.

CREATE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

If your child is keen to engage with AI chatbots, encourage them to do so in a safe environment: ideally in a shared space at home, so you can easily keep an eye and ear on their progress. Set up appropriate content filtering measures in advance – and gently remind them that you'll be close by and ready to help with any questions or concerns that may arise.

FIND A BALANCE

Work alongside your child to establish the right balance in terms of how they might use AI-powered chatbots – and when it's appropriate. It's important to make sure that children are still getting plenty of opportunities to learn to solve problems for themselves, as well as building their interpersonal skills through face-to-face conversations with friends, family members and teachers.

TAKE CONTROL

As with any form of app or game, when it comes to AI chatbots we'd strongly recommend that you consider employing parental controls (either on the device being used or within the software itself) to manage which apps your child can download and use. This is particularly important for younger children, who may be more at risk of being upset or frightened by inappropriate content.

RECOGNISE THE RISKS

It's unlikely that most children will have even considered the potential risks attached to having a virtual companion. So it's probably wise to explain some of the possible hazards and challenges of AI chatbots to your child. In particular, emphasise that AI isn't a real person (however much it might sound like one) and may occasionally tell them something that isn't entirely impartial or accurate.

Meet Our Expert

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General Reminders and News

Don't Forget to Order Uniform Early

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IMPORTANT!

PLEASE ORDER BEFORE 31ST JULY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

Please note: This date applies to schools returning at the start of September. Parents of schools with earlier return dates will need to order sooner.

The summer is finally here and although here at Mapac we've already built up great stock levels to ensure your order is sent out in record time, we are unable to control issues with the postal service.

Last year, thousands of orders were delayed at the end of the summer due to strikes and service delays, so **please order as early as possible**, especially if your child is starting school for the first time!

Orders placed up to and including the 31st of July will take priority over all our current stock so please place orders as soon as possible – This will help ensure that you receive your uniform in time as orders placed after this period are more likely to be subject to delays.



Thank you and have a great summer!

The Mapac Team



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Change of Times for September 2023

The Department for Education (DfE) have produced new guidance on the hours schools are open each week. We have liaised closely with the Wallace Fields Infants. The drop off time here remains as 8.40am and gates close at 8.50am.

The end times are changing to a slightly extended time for some classes.

Year 3 & 4 pick up at the main gate will be 3.30pm and Year 5 & 6 pick up will be 3.25pm.

Permission to walk home alone is allowed for all Year 5 and Year 6 children.

Year Groups	Start Time	Finish Time	Weekly Hours
Year 3 & 4	8.40am – 8.50am	3.30pm	33.3
Year 5 & 6	8.40am – 8.50am	3.25pm	32.9

Contacting Wallace Fields Junior School

In line with most other schools, all emails from parents and carers are via our very helpful school office team at Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk¹¹. Emails for staff will be forwarded on for you. If you accidentally use an old email you will receive an automatic message reminding you to contact the School Office at Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk¹². Please include in the subject matter the child's name and class.

For urgent messages, absences or pick up arrangements please call 020 8393 0350.

Fridge Freezer Needed

We are in desperate need of a new or clean & working large fridge freezer (ideally an American sized one) for our staff room. It houses many projects for our children.

Please keep your eye out for a bargain for us, as we do not have any budget to cover the cost. We would also really appreciate any offer of help with a large car or van to collect one and deliver it to school?

Thank you in advance for any help you can offer. The staff will be very grateful.

Help our Guinea Pigs at Wallace Fields Junior School

We are looking for a guinea pig cage so that they can be more outside and be stimulated on the grass in our eco area. We are looking for a cage similar to the image here with sides and a roof and no floor. They are normally made of material thicker than chicken wire. Please contact the School Office if you could **make, loan, donate or buy one** for the school. Thank you.



¹¹<mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

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Lost Property

Lost property is outside now next to the playground equipment storage. If you need to look in the lost property, it is in a grey plastic outdoor chest in the main playground. All labelled items are returned to the children. Unlabelled uniform is sold at the end of term and any unclaimed non-uniform is thrown away at the end of term. Please label as much as possible to ensure it is found and returned.

Water Bottles

With the hot weather, hydration becomes a priority and so the teachers and staff are ensuring that the children get plenty of water breaks and additional reminders to keep drinking water. Refill stations are available during both breaks. There is a new gimmick water bottle called Air Ups that are expensive with costly cartridges that give a very slight smell to mimic flavour. Air Ups are not welcome in school as they are bulky and expensive and we have already thrown many unclaimed bottles from lost property this year. Please do not waste your money, but buy a simple water bottle with a secure lid and label it clearly with your child's name. Be aware that the school takes no responsibility for lost or broken water bottles, especially Air Up Bottles, though we will instantly return named bottles to their owners as soon as possible. Flavoured water and fizzy drinks are not allowed in school.

Stationery Reminder

it is detrimental to your child's learning if they do not have the right stationery in class and impacts on everyone, as it disturbs others! Please ask your child to check if they need any stationery. Class teachers may send your child home with a slip indicating which stationery they need. Parents may provide their child with a little cash so that they can buy replacement stationery as necessary. Children may purchase replacement whiteboard pens, glue sticks, pens and pencils at our stationery shop run by Year 6 prefects on Tuesday and Thursday break times (at the 4J window).



COMMUNITY NEWS

Well done to Ella 3T for Fund Raising Run

Ella in 3T completed the Race for Life 5k on Epsom downs yesterday. After a few weeks of practice runs she managed to complete the course in a time of 46 minutes. In doing so she raised £275 for cancer research. A wonderful achievement for Ella

Free WEA Courses in July to Support Parents and Employability

Introduction to being a Teaching Assistant

This free course will explain the roles , responsibilities and skills involved in being a Teaching Assistant and will explain the pathways available to you to train. There will be an opportunity to enrol on a progression course afterwards.

Venue: Mole Valley Employment Hub, Swan Centre, Leatherhead

Time and date: 7th July 10am- noon

Tutor : Diana Barenly.

Apply online: <https://www.wea.org.uk/courses/skills-work/education-childcare/7-july-introduction-being-teaching-assistant-ta-east-surrey>

or visit www.wea.org.uk¹³ and course search Q00009021 or phone 0300 303 3464 quoting Q00009021

Supporting Children and Teenagers with Autism

This free 2 part course , delivered by zoom by a Qualified Occupational Therapist, will explain the challenges faced by children with Autism and how to support these children in their social, emotional and educational lives. The course will explain the possible indicators of autism, the challenges faced and share practical strategies to help children with Autism to thrive. You will also be signposted to further sources of support and information. It is not necessary to have an official diagnosis to attend this course. The course is useful for parents and carers and anyone working with or supporting children.

Venue: Online via zoom

Times and dates: 4th and 11th July 10am- noon

Apply online: <https://www.wea.org.uk/courses/skills-life/parenting/4-july-supporting-children-autism>

Or visit: or visit www.wea.org.uk¹⁴ and course search Q00008136 or phone 0300 303 3464 quoting Q00008136

COMMUNITY FLYERS



Alexandra Open 2023

When: Sunday 2nd July
Where: Alexandra Recreation Ground
tennis courts, Epsom, KT17 4BW

Categories: Mixed U16s, Ladies singles, Men's singles, Mixed doubles (format and time to be finalised based on number of entries)

Profits will be donated to a selected Epsom Charity.

Prizes and light refreshment for players and tournament volunteers / referees sponsored by Park View Café

Tournament organised and run by Callum Macarty

Entry Fee: £15 per person per category entered

Register @ the Park View Café. Registration closes on 18/06/2023 or when spaces are full so do not wait too long! Full payment is required at the time of registration to secure

¹³<http://www.wea.org.uk>

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