WEEKLY BULLETIN

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Friday 6th September 2019



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ATTACHED: Year 5 & 6 football team trials permission slip and Spelling shed letters

SCHOOL LETTERS SENT HOME BY PARENTMAIL /IN BOOKBAGS

- Clubs reminder
- Pick up arrangements and safeguarding
- Year 5 & 6 Permission to walk home alone
- Year 3 & 4 Places at Rockets netball club

KEY DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday 9 th Sept	Bentley Photographic taking pupils photos
Wed 11 th Sept	Year 4 Welcome meeting and Hooke Court talk 3.45pm
Thurs 12th Sept	3.45-4.45pm Year 3 Welcome meeting.
	3.30 – 4.30pm Year 5 & 6 football team trials start
Fri 13th Sept	Helping hands meeting

IMPORTANT - WHOLE SCHOOL

WELL BEING WEEK

Next week we are looking forward to a whole week of activities to promote wellbeing and develop skills and strategies for improving mental health and wellbeing in your children. On our website we have attached the introduction assembly PowerPoint that we will be showing your children on Monday before we have the chance to take part in laughter workshops! Keep an eye on Twitter for regular updates about the activities taking place! https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/news/2019-09-06-building-resilience-promoting-wellbeing-at-wallace-fields-junior-school

INDIVIDUAL PUPIL PHOTOGRAPHS - MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

Bentley Photographic will be coming into school on Monday morning to take individual and sibling photographs of the children. Please ensure your child is **wearing full school uniform** including a red cardigan or jumper. They may bring in a small comb or brush to tidy their hair but please ensure long hair is tied back off the face.

SCHOOL OFFICE REFURBISHMENT

Our school office has had a fabulous make over with improved use of space, light and better safeguarding. This was all thanks to the amazing kindness of a former parent, Mr Quigley who did all the work complimentary to thank the school for the great experience his children had whilst at Wallace Fields Junior School. Reception is now neater, brighter, more spacious, warmer and more welcoming.

YEAR 3

WELCOME MEETING -THURSDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 3:45pm-4.45pm HALL

We hope all Year 3 parents and carers are able to come along and meet the year 3 teachers. You will learn about some of our procedures and teaching /learning methods and find out how you can help your child settle into life at the school. Other key dates are:-

- Wednesday 18th September Reading Workshop in 3A at 3.45pm
- Friday 20th September Year 3 Meet the Head and Deputy Head from 1.45-2.15pm and Year 3 tea party 2.15-3.10pm
- Wednesday 25th September- Mrs Crabb is holding a Year 3 & 4 Maths Workshop at 3.45pm in 5C.

YEAR 4

HOOKE COURT RESIDENTIAL TRIPS & WELCOME MEETING - WEDNESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 3:45pm in 4G

A great opportunity to find out about routines and expectations in Year 4 and meet the class teacher. You will also have the opportunity to see a presentation of the residential trips, which includes photographs of last year's trip, and to ask questions about it.

YEAR 4 & 3 MATHS WORKSHOP - Wednesday 25th September at 3.45pm

Mrs Crabb will be hosting a Year 3 & 4 Maths workshop in 5C.

YEAR 5

ISLE OF WIGHT RESIDENTIAL TRIPS & WELCOME MEETING - Friday 13th September 3.45pmin 5C

A good opportunity for you to find out about routines and expectations in Year 5 and meet the class teachers. You will also have the opportunity to see a presentation of the Isle of Wight residential trip, which includes photographs of last year's trip, and to ask questions about it.

5C ASSEMBLY DATE MOVED

The 5C Assembly (originally scheduled for 20/09/19) has been cancelled. It will probably be moved to Spring Term but as yet a date has not been agreed.

YEAR 6

YEAR 6 - GRAMMAR SCHOOL SELECTION TESTS

It has come to our notice that a number of children in Year 6 are planning to sit the Grammar School selection tests over the next month. If you haven't done so already please inform the school office and class teacher if your child does plan to take part. Authorised absence will be given for the half day of the test but any time in excess of this for cramming/preparing for the exams will be deemed unauthorised. Children must not miss crucial Year 6 curriculum teaching by taking time off over and above what is necessary to sit the tests. It is important to note that grammar schools not only look at academic results but also request attendance records from junior schools.

FRENCH RESIDENTIAL TRIPS & WELCOME MEETING - Wednesday 25th September 3.45pm in 6C

A good opportunity for you to find out about routines and expectations in Year 6 and meet the class teachers. You will also have the opportunity to see a presentation of the French residential trip, which includes photographs of last year's trip, and to ask questions about it.

CLUBS

SIGN UP FOR CLUBS - STILL PLACES AVAIBLE!

Wallace Field Juniors is very proud of all the extra-curricular clubs that we run at school. We currently offer over 20 different clubs. There are still places available at many of our clubs including among others:

- Year 3 & 4 Rockets netball Deadline to join is this Sunday 8th September. Email davidflyon@yahoo.co.uk
- Chess club great for developing thinking for boys and girls.
- French lunchtime club a great way to help children prepare for secondary school French lessons.

If you are interested please download the relevant club letter from our website for information on how to sign up. https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/clubs

GERMAN AND FENCING CLUB NO LONGER RUNNING

Two clubs are no longer running. German club will not be running due to insufficient numbers. Fencing club will not be going ahead due to staffing issues.

SOME CLUBS START NEXT WEEK BUT NOT ALL - PLEASE CHECK CLUB LETTER

Please check your club letters for sign up details, start date and times. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact the club organisers directly, whose contact details should be on their club letter.

YEAR 5 & 6 FOOTBALL TEAM TRIALS START NEXT WEEK - Thursday 12th September

On Thursdays 12th, 19th and 26th, we will be holding school football squad trials for all interested girls and boys from years 5 & 6. We will be playing on the top field from 15:30 to 16:30 and the permission form (attached with this bulletin) will need to be completed in advance, then either emailed back to me or handed in at the school office.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

HELPING HANDS -FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2.30-3.30PM

We encourage parents to support school. We are particularly pleased to welcome parents to our "Helping Hands" scheme. This offers an opportunity to work with the children in class (not your own child's class) such as reading as well as offering other kinds of practical support. On Friday 13th September 2.30-3.30pm we will be holding a Helping Hands Meeting with Mr Lee where you can hear about the jobs and projects where we need parents to help. In the meantime if you would like to find out more then please contact the school office Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR ROLE

We are looking for a new lunchtime supervisor. The details are as follows:-

- Responsible for supervising lunch and play sessions over the school lunchtime period and engaging with our young community.
- Term-time hours
- 2- 4 days per week 12.05 1.20pm
- Surrey Pay Grade 1-2 starting at £16,191pa FTE (pro-rata to £1,867 for 4 days)
- The opportunity of working within a supportive, friendly environment in this well run and respected school.

If you are interested in applying for this position please telephone the school office 0208 393 0350 for an informal chat.

REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM CLARIFICATION

Some parents have asked for clarification regarding the Summer school uniform. Children may wear their summer uniform, summer polo shirt and summer dresses, **up to the end of this Autumn half-term**. The logo on the summer polo shirt is now being produced with a printed logo; however, all old style summer polo shirts are still allowed. Winter /Spring uniform from Monday 4th November 2019.

PICKING UP CHILDREN AFTER SCHOOL

The beginning of term is a good time to clarify our school pick up policy.

- Children in Year 3 and 4 must be collected directly from the teachers who will allow children to go, once the parent responsible has been seen or made visual contact. Year 5 & 6 children will not be permitted to collect their younger siblings. If your child is going home with a friends' parents, grandparent, childminder, older sibling then please write a note in your child's reading record with the date/s when this will occur. Please avoid calling the school office unless it an unavoidable last minute change. If parents are running late or class teachers do not have necessary permissions, then children will be brought to the school office to wait and if necessary will call parents.
- Children in Year 5 and 6 must be collected by their parents at the front or back gate unless we have a signed permission slip to allow them to walk home (or even to walk up the road to a meeting point). Please be clear with your child which gate you are meeting them. Permission slips were emailed out earlier in the week.

CHANGE OF PARENT / CARER COLLECTING

If the usual parent/carer collecting the child changes parents should notify the teacher by putting a note in the child's reading record book, emailing the teacher the day before, or giving a hand written note. **Telephoning the school office for messages for teachers and children should be used for emergencies only as constant interruptions with messages interferes with the children's learning.**

DROP OFF /SCHOOL ARRIVAL

The **back gate** is for families living on NESCOT side of school (Ewell Downs Road and the Green). Families from Wallace Fields and Alexandra Park side of school must enter school via the **front gate**.

TAKE CARE WHEN PARKING

Please ensure you park responsibly near the school for the safety of our pupils. Please park respectfully of our local residents. Do not park on double yellow lines, at corners or across other cars as it is puts our children in danger. We have a parking attendant now regularly patrolling the turning circle and tickets will be issued.

EMAILING THE SCHOOL

For urgent messages, absences, pick up arrangements and general enquiries please email the School Office on Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk If you need to talk to your child's teacher regarding homework or learning, please contact them through their professional email address These as well as other teachers' emails can be also found on our website http://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/staff. Click on the envelope symbol below their profile on the staff page. Teachers are busy teaching during school hours but they will respond within 48 hours. For urgent issues please call the school office.

PTA

WELCOME FROM THE PTA

Some exciting events are already arranged for the Autumn by the PTA. Please support the PTA as it is a vital source of funds.

11th October - Race Night 7.30pm

25th October - Halloween disco 3.30-5.00pm

10th November - Fireworks 4.45-7.00pm

29th November - PTA games/social club 3.30-5.00pm

12th December - Christmas fair Mufti day

13th December - Christmas fair-3.30-5.30pm

14th February - Valentines disco 3.30-5.00pm

27th March - PTA games/social club 3.30-5.00pm

23th April - Circus 5.00-8.00pm

12th June - Quiz Night 7.00-10.00pm

3th July - Celebration Evening/Summer Fair

If you are willing to volunteer for the PTA please email us on the following email address wfjspta@gmail.com. We cannot run such an active PTA calendar without support, and none of us want to see events unable to be run so a little from many will make a big difference. If you have any suggestions we are very keen to hear from you.





To Be a Pilgrim – the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower

Saturday 21 September 1pm to 2.30pm



The Mayflower left England with the ship Speedwell on 15 August 1620. It carried Pilgrims from England and Holland. Both ships were twice forced to return to England but the Mayflower finally left Plymouth on 16 September 1620. On 19 November 1620, they spotted land. Their destination was the Virginia Colony but the ship was damaged so were forced to land Cape Cod in November. The passengers lived on the ship for a few months. They went ashore to build shelters in the day, then returned to the ship at night. About half the people died in the winter of 1620–1. In March 1621, there were enough shelters for everyone to live on land. Discover why the Pilgrims left their homes and families. Learn what it was like to be a Pilgrim and open up a new world.

Cost £5 per child. Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF.
Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk