

# Wallace Fields Junior School Bulletin

10th February 2023



## KEY DATES NEXT WEEK

- **Half Term - Monday 13th to Friday 17th February 2023**
- **Monday 20th February 2023** - INSET day. School Closed.
- **Tuesday 21st February 2023** - Children start back at school. 8.50am.
- **Thursday 23rd February 2023** - PTA Social Night 7.30pm Barley Mow
- **Friday 24th February 2023** - Year 6 Junior Citizens at Epsom Race Course

For the latest dates click here<sup>1</sup> for calendar on website.

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

## HEAD'S UPDATE



**Epsom College:** It is with the deepest sadness that we learned of the events at Epsom College this week. Our thoughts, condolences and sympathies are with the staff, pupils and their families at this difficult time. We have, over the years had many parents who are staff at the college and for current staff it has had a significant impact. Very few children have actively mentioned it, however I have spoken to those directly linked to the college and checked on the welfare and wellbeing of those children. We offer wellbeing support for all children that need it, so apart from your usual parenting efforts to comfort and support your children if they enquire about this, we advise you are reassuring and honest about how rare this is and to diffuse any perceived danger or concern. If you need any additional support please get in touch with the school. The news is devastating and so we should give the college the time and space to come together and deal with their loss. I have sent a message of condolence on behalf of the school. The site has remained closed all week and the swimming session postponed on Monday will be added as an additional week at the end of the scheduled sessions.

**Virtual Reality Experience:** The children had a fantastic time virtually visiting places around the world linked to their class topics including cities and rainforests. The children were very excited and were amazed at the versatility of the technology showing them 360 degree views. Thanks to the PTA for funding this fabulous experience - it was very much appreciated by the children.

**Farewell to Maysoon Muktar (School Governor):** We are saying goodbye to one of our school governors Maysoon Muktar who is stepping down at the end of her term. She has been a wonderful critical friend and a superb supportive governor for the school. She will be missed and we wish her all the best.

## IMPORTANT

### **Walking Home After Clubs**

**Year 5 and 6 children** may walk home after clubs after half-term, though **only if they have emailed the club leader with consent.** Club leaders contact details will be on the club letter or right click on

the club leaders name on the club timetable. Click here<sup>2</sup> for the clubs page on our website. **Year 3 and 4** children are never permitted to walk home without a parent/carer.

### New After School Girls' Football Club

We have a new girls' football club starting from Wednesday 22nd February 2023 every week 3:30 pm- 4:30pm at Wallace Fields Junior School. The club is **open to all girls of all abilities** and is focussed on improving technical ability through games and matches.

Each session will start with a fun warm up game getting everyone involved and ready to play. The middle part of the session we will all work on a specific component of the game (e.g. striking, defending) where there will be the option for the girls' to learn the basics or challenge themselves with more technical aspects. Finally, each session will be finished with a match to enable the girls' to apply the skills they've learned!

The club will be every **Wednesday at 3.30pm straight after school**. The first half term will be 5 weeks from Wednesday 22nd February until Wednesday 22nd March 2022. The first half term will be £33.

If your daughter would like to attend please send an email [elliebyrne@ekbsports.co.uk](mailto:elliebyrne@ekbsports.co.uk)<sup>3</sup> with your daughters name and year group.

For more information our website is: [www.ekbsports.co.uk](http://www.ekbsports.co.uk)<sup>4</sup>

### PTA Comedy Night - Friday 24th March 2023

We are kicking off the PTA year with a hilarious new event just for us grown ups! Come to see the Official Comedy Club in our very own school! 3 great acts, cash/card bar, snacks and lots of laughter. TICKETS ON SALE 8pm on Friday 3rd Feb 🤡👥🍷😂

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wfjspta/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=59450#.Y9uH3eyTLfY>

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### Keep the Date - Parent / Teacher Meetings

Parents Meetings will be held on **Monday 27th March 3.45pm - 6.15pm** face to face in the school hall and on **Tuesday 28th March 3.45pm - 6.30pm** virtual (online) . Please pencil the dates in your calendar. You will be able to book slots on our online booking system when we open up the booking system a few weeks before.

### Book Week - 27th February to 3rd March 2023

**The theme for Book Week this year will be 'Reading Around the World'.** We are planning different year groups focusing on different countries

**Year 3** - China

**Year 4** - Sri Lanka

**Year 5** - Brazil

**Year 6** - Himalayas/Tibet.

We will be creating a 'Wallace Fields Departure Lounge' in the hall and giving children time to 'visit' their country and there will be a focus book for each year group. There is a 'Guess the Teacher' competition and lots of fun activities for the children and they will be taken on a reading journey' across the world! There will be a book themed lunch on Friday 3rd March 2023.

We would love to invite some **grandparents in to read a favourite childhood book** - especially if they come from a different country - though we will need the books to be read in English. Please email [PCrabb@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:PCrabb@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk) if you are able to help.

Staff and children **may dress up on Friday 3rd March 2023 for World Book Day** if they would like to. The dress up theme can be either their favourite book character or they can celebrate their own

heritage with traditional clothing. Children on a PE day should wear trainers and loose clothing as part of their outfit to accommodate the PE lessons.

## THIS WEEK

### Donations to Turkey -Syria Emergency Relief Fund

On Friday 10th February 2023 we collected £1 coins on the gate for the Turkey - Syria Emergency Relief Fund. Thank you for your generosity. We raised £225 just during the morning collection and more money has been collected after school. If you would prefer to donate direct to the Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal, please open the following link and make your donation:

<https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal>

### Celebrating Valentines Day at Wallace Fields Junior School

You will find in your child's bag tonight, a little gift from the PTA to celebrate the fact that you are awesome.

The school lunch caterers Twelve15 celebrated Valentines Day with Valentines biscuits today







### **Space STEM call for Year 4 and 5**

Last Friday 3rd February 2023, Year 4 and 5 pupils enjoyed a special online Zoom call with Liz Tinlin, a space STEM ambassador. She took the children on a virtual journey from our home planet to the edge of the visible universe (via our sun, our local planets, our galaxy and the furthest reaches of space!). Many thanks for the positive parent emails that we have received. It is great to hear that so many of the children were inspired with the topic of space and shared their learning with you at home (even when they were supposed to be going to sleep!).





### **Virtual Reality Visit - 8th and 9th February 2023**

We were very lucky to have Prime VR visit our school this week. Each class had a 45 minute session delving into virtual reality! Year 3 explored the world around us, Year 4 went on an adventure to Space, Year 5 travelled back to the historical period of Ancient Maya and Year 6 explored rainforests. All children showed incredible enthusiasm and loved experiencing their topics in what seemed like real life! Thank you to the PTA for funding this experience. Please see twitter for the action!

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1623294172663803908>

### **Year 6 Musical Performance Assembly - Tuesday 7th February 2023**

Well done to the Year 6 musicians who performed at the music assembly this Tuesday. Well done to Emily K, Kiaan H, Elise & Esme G, Alessandro L, Robyn T, Sam R and Sandu P who showed immense confidence performing in front of the school and their parents/carers.

We will be holding musical performance assemblies for the other year groups on the following dates at 1.15pm-1.45pm:-

Year 5 - 14th March 2023

Year 4 - 2nd May 2023

Year 3 - 20th June 2023

Auditions will be held the week before and parents/carers of selected musicians will be informed and invited to attend. If your child is a budding musician you may wish to pencil in the relevant dates.

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1623291571259965444>

### **Year 5 - Défilé de Mode (French Fashion Show) - 6th February 2023.**

On Monday 6th February 2023 Year 5 took part in a French fashion show. The Year 5 “models” showcased their French language skills by presenting their collection and explaining what they were wearing in French (i.e. Je porte un pull bleu, un chapeau jaune et des lunettes de soleil.) Mme Cornell, Mr Hurd and Miss Sarjeant were very impressed with the children’s French. The children strutted their stuff on the catwalk brilliantly and even persuaded the adults to have a go!

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1623291571259965444>

### **Football Match Report**

On Thursday 10th February 2023 we had a girls and a boys A team football fixture against West Ewell Primary School.

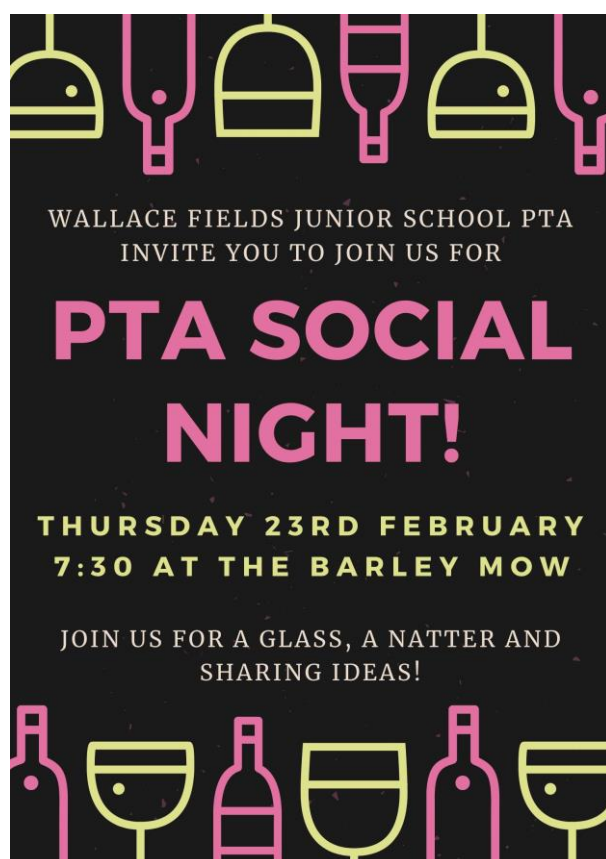
Another challenging match for the girls' football team. West Ewell went ahead in the first half. The second half saw our girls come back strong equalising, then the visitors scored a penalty in the last minute of the match. End result 2-3 to West Ewell after a fantastic nail-biting second half.

For the boys match there was a great start for Wallace Fields Junior School, however West Ewell Primary proved to be the stronger team took a victory of 7-1.





## AFTER HALF TERM



### Next Happy Bag Collection - 27th March 2023

How about doing a Spring clean over half term and helping to raise PTA funds. We have the next Happy Bags collection due on 27th March 2023. Items can include: Reusable clean & dry clothes, clean paired shoes, fashion accessories, belts, jewellery, handbags/bags, scarves, hats, small ornaments, gift box sets and console games. Please save any good quality unwanted school uniform for Wallace Fields Juniors second hand sales. Your bags should be brought to school by 10am on the day. Thank you for your support! For more information go to [www.happyschoolbag.co.uk](http://www.happyschoolbag.co.uk)<sup>5</sup>

## YEAR 6

### Year 6 French Residential Trip - Passport & Visa Reminder

**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 Tuesday 6th June 2023.**

**What happens if my child holds a non-EU passport?**

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<sup>5</sup><https://www.happyschoolbag.co.uk>

If your child holds a non-EU passport you may be required to obtain a Shengen Visa in plenty of time before the trip. Please click here for more information: [Click here](#)<sup>6</sup> Please also inform Mrs Boddy in the school office if you hold a non UK passport.

### Junior Citizens - Friday 24th February 2023

As part of their work in Personal, Social and Health Education in the spring term, Year 6 will take part in the Junior Citizen Scheme at Epsom Grandstand on Friday 24th February 2023. In partnership with the Police, Fire Brigade, Thames Water and other public services, pupils will learn about personal safety relevant to transition to secondary school and independence. The children will leave by coach at 9.15am and will return to school at approximately 11.45am in time for lunch. They will eat lunch at school as usual. In order to cover the cost of this trip we need to a voluntary contribution of **£11.50**. If you have not done so already, please visit our on-line payment system Scopay to make your voluntary donation.

### Swimming Lesson Postponed

The swimming lesson for selected children was postponed this week and so the final lesson will be on Monday 20th March 2023.

## WELLBEING

### Children's Mental Health Week 2023

Please click on the link below to find some great free resources to support your child's mental health at home. <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

This year's theme is 'Let's Connect' and is about making meaningful connections. Human beings thrive in communities, and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. When we have healthy connections – to family, friends and others – this can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing. However, when our need for rewarding social connections is not met, we can sometimes feel isolated and lonely – which can have a negative impact on our mental health.



<sup>6</sup><https://www.schengenvisainfo.com/france-visa/uk/>



## ONLINE SAFETY

### Safer Internet Day

This week, we celebrated Safer Internet Day! We have raised awareness through a whole-school assembly as well as each class completing a dedicated lesson on the Safer Internet Day 2023 theme, 'Want to talk about it?'. The children created awareness posters which will be put up around school to support having conversations about life online. Please see twitter for some examples of the many amazing posters the children have created!

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1623272726109495298>

To find out more about the positive effect the Safer Internet Day has had on education in the past, please follow the link below: <https://www.childnet.com/safer-internet-day/>

There are lots of resources also available to you via 'National Online Safety', you can sign up at the following link: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/wallace-fields-junior-school>

For guidance on Roblox see the video and poster below.



<https://youtu.be/pWzhE8fUi7E>



## General Reminders and News

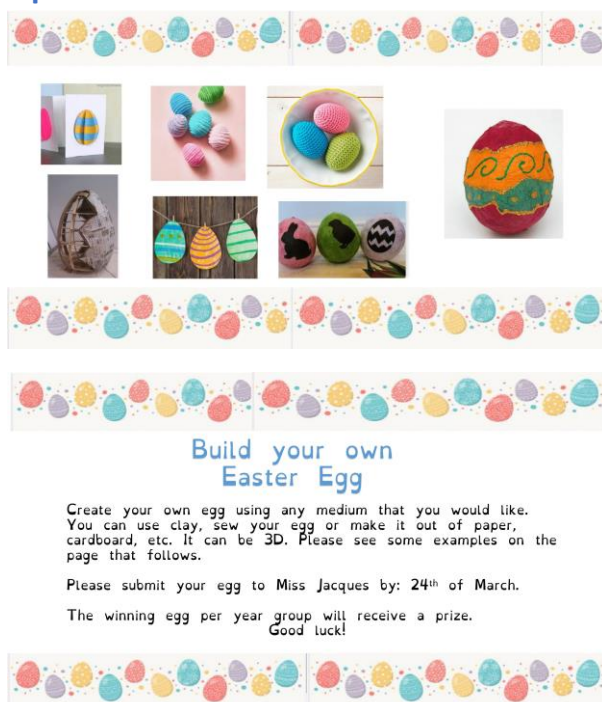
### Please Bring In Paper Tubes Please

Please can Miss Sarjeant have any unwanted paper tubes (inside of toilet rolls/kitchen rolls) by 1st March 2023.





## Easter Egg Design Competition



Create your own egg using any medium that you would like. You can use clay, sew your egg or make it out of paper, cardboard, etc. It can be 3D. Please see some examples on the page that follows.

Please submit your egg to Miss Jacques by: 24<sup>th</sup> of March.

The winning egg per year group will receive a prize.  
Good luck!

**Egg Design Competition.** Children can use any medium that they would like to create an exciting Easter Egg. It can be 3D and they can use clay, they can sew (thereby including D & T skills that they have learnt) etc.. **The cut-off date will be the 24th March 2024** and the winner will be announced in assembly on the 27th March 2023.

Kind regards, Miss Jacques.

## Energy Kidz Club Rebranding to Junior Adventures Group Club

Energy Kidz 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. From Monday 20th February, Energy Kidz club will be rebranded to **Junior Adventures Group Club (JAG)**.

Click here to view our club page:

For our Holiday Club Provision, we are contracted to SCL until the Easter holidays. From May half term, we are considering Energy Kidz (Junior Adventures Group - JAG) as our holiday camp provider. Please complete the following survey to allow us to gauge interest.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WallceFieldsJuniorHC> If you are keen for us to have a holiday club then please fill this survey in to express your interest.

## Stationery Reminder

Please can we remind our parents to check if their child needs any equipment for their pencil cases. Children may purchase replacement whiteboard pens, glue sticks, pens and pencils at our stationery shop run by Year 6 prefects on Tuesday and Thursday breaktimes (at the 4J window). Parents may provide their child with a little cash so that they can buy replacement stationery as necessary.



**Stationery Shop**  
*Open to all children - Tuesday and Thursday playtimes in the playground.  
 Shop run by Year 6 Prefects.*

Purple pen.....	15p
Pencil .....	15p
Staedtler Pen .....	60p
Classmate Ruler .....	30p
Pritt Stick .....	£1.25
Berol Pen .....	30p
Barrel Sharpeners .....	90p
Whiteboard Pen.....	70p
Erasers .....	40p

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## Urgent Messages - Contact the Office!

For urgent messages, absences, pick up arrangements and general enquiries please email the School Office on [Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk)<sup>7</sup> or by calling **020 8393 0350**.

<sup>7</sup><mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

## Community News

A colorful illustration for the Junior Bake Off poster. At the top, a string of multi-colored triangular bunting hangs across the frame. Below it, the title 'JUNIOR BAKE OFF' is written in large, bold, red capital letters. To the right of the title is a simple yellow sun with rays. Underneath the title, the text '...IS LOOKING FOR THE UK'S BEST YOUNG BAKERS AGED 9 - 12' is written in smaller, teal capital letters. The background features a light blue sky with a white cloud on the left and a white bird in flight on the right. In the center, there is a white festival tent with a string of bunting hanging from its top. The tent is surrounded by several stylized green trees of different shapes and sizes. The ground is a solid light green color. At the bottom of the illustration, there is a large pile of yellow confetti or small stars.

**JUNIOR BAKE OFF**

...IS LOOKING FOR THE UK'S  
BEST YOUNG BAKERS  
AGED 9 - 12

**WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK**

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE  
SUNDAY 12th MARCH 2023**

Enquiries:  
[applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk](mailto:applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk)

## WORKING TOGETHER FOR BETTER LIVES

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[www.familyvoicesurrey.org](http://www.familyvoicesurrey.org)





# ALEXANDRA UNITED

## GIRLS U10/U11 FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

### FREE TRAINING

### COURT REC - TUESDAYS 7-8PM

Building a new team to join a  
league in Sept '23  
Current school years 5 & 6

### CONTACT: PEARLS@ALEXUTD.COM

Train - Tuesdays 7-8pm, Court Rec, Pound Lane, Epsom



## SCHOOL CATERING VACANCIES

Term-time only positions with great  
work-life balance  
Secure local jobs with regular pay  
Career opportunities across Surrey  
Work term-time only, get paid 12 months  
of the year

[https://itstwelve15.co.uk/  
work-for-twelve15/](https://itstwelve15.co.uk/work-for-twelve15/)

Register your interest, we'll  
get in touch



### Art Competitions

It gives children a variety of art competitions that they could enter.

<https://www.moma.co.uk/childrens-art-competitions/>



Families will be able to go undercover and test their detective skills at **Bourne Hall Museum, Ewell**, as part of the national **Montgomery Bonbon: Museum Mystery Trail**, organised by Walker Books and Kids in Museums. The exciting new trail celebrates the release of the brilliantly funny new children's book *Montgomery Bonbon: Murder at the Museum* written by comedian Alasdair Beckett-King, with illustrations by Claire Powell.

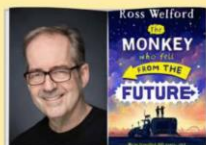
Do you ever get the toe-tingling feeling that a mystery is about to unfold? Meet Montgomery Bonbon (aka Bonnie Montgomery) the world's greatest ten-year-old secret super sleuth!

Launching in time for February half-term, the trail will run from 11 February until 31 March 2023. Only 50 museums across the UK will be taking part and encouraging families to explore their local museum. Grab an activity sheet at Bourne Hall Museum and test out your detective skills, solve puzzles and have fun! Remember to pick up a free moustache bookmark to get in the mystery-solving mindset!

Families will also have the chance to enter a grand prize draw competition on the Kids in Museums social media channels @kidsinmuseums to win a signed copy of *Montgomery Bonbon: Murder at the Museum* and their very own detective kit.

## Ewell Library Children's Book Festival

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15



ROSS WELFORD  
11am to 11.45am



ANNABEL SAMI  
2pm to 2.45pm



ZEHRA HICKS  
10am to 10.45am



RIKIN PARKEN  
1pm to 1.45pm

All tickets are £4 and must be booked on Eventbrite  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/ewell-library-childrens-book-festival-1511639>



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## Exciting Workshops at Bourne Hall Museum History Club



### **Great Victorians – Florence Nightingale and her work in nursing and health reforms** **Saturday 11 February 2023** **1pm to 2.30pm**



Florence Nightingale will visit Ewell after returning from her nursing duties in the Crimea. Meet her and discover her life story; hear about her famous lamp-carrying while at the Scutari Hospital and her later campaigns for nursing and health reforms in England. See the uniforms that Florence and her nurses wore. Hear about the difficult conditions that the nurses found themselves in. Find out how and why nurses were recruited and what the offences were that sent some home. Do you have what it takes to be one of Nightingale's nurses? Would she let you stay or send you back to England without pay?

Learn about the battles, poor living conditions and harsh weather which caused so many soldiers to be wounded and fall ill under the care of Florence and her team – see what treatments they would have got. Try out some of their nursing methods and decide if you would have liked to take her medicine!



Cost £5 per child. Further information is available from David Brooks.  
Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 0208 394 1734  
Email [dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk](mailto:dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk)



### **CAVE PAINTING**

**Wednesday 15 February**  
**11am-to 12pm & 2pm-to 3pm**

In the deep time of prehistory early men crawled down into the darkest caves and used light from primitive candles to paint pictures of themselves and the animals they hunted.

They left behind a vivid record of their way of life and some clues of what they believed in. Discover how and why these paintings were created.

Then by flickering light try to create your own cave painting in our very own 'caves'.

Cost £5 per child. Two identical sessions will be run, please book to reserve your place; maximum 16 children.  
Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 020 8394 1734.  
Email [dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk](mailto:dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk)







Bourne Hall Museum  
Kids Club  
bringing history alive



Rome needs you! Join the Roman Army  
Saturday 11 March 2023 1pm to 2.30pm



**The Legions of Rome march into Ewell, enforcing the rule of the Empire. Discover what it was like to be a Roman soldier, having to serve for 25 years before receiving your generous pension — if you survived! But you would get the best medical attention. Discover what the army's doctors could do and the skills of the engineers building bridges and roads.**

**Learn about the weapons and tactics that made the Legions so effective and so feared. Enjoy listening to tales from a legionary of how he trained and fought, and see all his armour and equipment.**

Cost £5 per child. Further information is available from David Brooks,

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