

Wallace Fields Junior School Bulletin

20th January 2023



KEY DATES

Next Week

- Monday 23rd January 2023 - **Selected Year 5 & 6 Swimming Session**
- Wednesday 25th January 2023 9.30am -11.00am - **Parents Workshop "Towards Independence" with HomeStart**
- Thursday 26th January 2023- **Football "Open Team"**

More Dates for This Term

- Wednesday 1st February 2023 - **Year 6 Visit to Hindu Temple**
- Thursday 2nd February 2023 - **Year 6 Music Assembly**
- 3rd February 2023 NSPCC Number Day! **One Day Times Table Rock Stars online competition** 07:30 - 19:30.

- Tuesday 7th February - **Year 6 Music Assembly** 13:15 Parents of Musicians selected will be invited.
- 8th/9th February 2023 - **VR Computing Experience Day**
- Thursday 9th February 2023 - **Deadline for School Ambassador applications**
- 13th-17th February 2023 is **Half Term and INSET day** on Monday 20th February 2023 (School Closed)
- Friday 24th February - Year 6 - **Junior Citizen Scheme** at Epsom Grandstand
- Monday 6th March - **School Ambassador Assembly** - Selected present to whole school

HEAD'S UPDATE



Chinese New Year Dinner - it was a themed lunch on Thursday and we had a Chinese New Year dinner, it was lovely and it went down well with the children (and the staff). The kitchen are keen to create themed dinners and there are more planned for other events and festivals in the future. Thanks to Emma Rodford and the kitchen team for their efforts.

Ambassadors: We launched our Year 6 School Ambassadors this week. This is to return and replace the traditional role of a head boy and a head girl. There will be two elected pupils, following applications and speeches, for the positions and then two people (irrespective of gender) will become the school ambassadors. They will then represent the school, conduct school tours, give speeches and lead meetings and collect awards on behalf of the school.

Teacher Strikes: I have not been informed by any teachers or staff of their intention to strike and it is my goal to ensure that school remains open for as many children as possible. Whilst I cannot guarantee the usual teachers in their classes if staff do choose to strike, we will make every effort to maintain classes if possible. Any school closures are posted on the website so if there is no notice, **please presume school is open as usual.**

Parking Patrol: Unfortunately, despite requests, the local council have failed to provide a warden to help with the illegal and inconsiderate parking outside school - currently it appears that Surrey

County Council are looking to take this over and introduce a private company to monitor parking (excluding car parks). However, in the interim please note that idling your engine is illegal and can incur a fine, it also pollutes the air the children walk home through. My thanks to Joe Findlay (premises manager) for his efforts to help manage traffic outside of school before and after school.

NEXT WEEK

Parenting Workshop 25th January 9.30am-11.00am.

We are delighted to welcome back Lesley Lane from HomeStart to give another of her very popular 'positive parenting' workshops on **Wednesday 25th January 2023 9.30am-11.00am** in a room at Wallace Fields Junior School. This has **changed from the original date** mentioned of January 18th. This workshop will be called 'Towards Independence...' and will focus on getting children to develop independence, resilience and determination, use initiative and not over rely on parental instruction and guidance. If you wish to attend the workshop please complete the Google form on this link <https://forms.gle/r9PfLP1q57ZXSaD67>

EVENTS COMING UP

February 3rd is NSPCC Number Day!



3rd February 2023 is NSPCC Number Day! As part of our commitment to keep maths exciting and high profile in our school, we have decided to take part in a friendly competition involving schools in the UK. It's a 1-day competition which starts on Friday 3rd February 2023 at 07:30 GMT and ends at 19:30 GMT. It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com¹.

Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The **Times Tables Rock Stars** platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

To support player wellbeing, there is a time limit of 60-minutes per player. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60-minutes between 07:30 GMT and 19:30 GMT on Friday 3rd February. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins though will no longer earn points towards the competition.

¹<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

Virtual Reality Technology Day - 8th and 9th February 2023

On Wednesday 8th February and Thursday 9th February 2023, we have an exciting opportunity for the children to experience Virtual Reality! We have booked a company called **PrimeVR** to come and deliver a **virtual reality experience** day at our school. PrimeVR provide **Virtual Reality headsets** for the children to explore and feel as though they are in a new setting – this could be linked to their Science, History or Geography topics. Each class will have a 45 minute session and delve into virtual reality.

We would like to thank the PTA who have kindly agreed to fund this important technology day for the children. However, for children to participate in this experience, we require all parents / carers to consent to the experience via the Google form.

We emailed all parents/carers on 10th January with more information and statements about the day which we need you to read and then complete a google form. Please note, children are unable to participate in the experience if we do not have a completed google form. Google Form for permission : Click here²

Gardening Club Starting After Half Term

Gardening Club will be now starting after half term when hopefully the weather will have improved and the children will be able to do some planting. If your child is interested in taking part and has not let us know already please email Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk³.

If anyone has any **seed compost to donate to the school** that would be much appreciated. Thank you.

²<https://forms.gle/78N1U6m9UYHS3DpJ8>

³<mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

YEAR 6

Year 6 Visit to Hindu Temple - 1st February 2023



Year 6 will be visiting the Sri Raja Rajeshwari Amman Temple in Stoneleigh on 1st February 2023 as part of the Year 6 religious education curriculum. For more information about the visit see the letter emailed earlier this week.

On the day of the trip, the children will be required to wear school uniform and bring a suitable coat or jacket. We will return to school as normal for lunch. Please visit your on-line Scopay account to make your payment by Monday 30th January. Payment is considered as consent to take part.

Year 6 – French Trip Payment - now overdue

Just as a reminder, if you have not yet paid your 2nd instalment of £115, this was due on 9th January 2023. The 3rd instalment of £115 is due on 10th March 2023 and the final instalment of £115 is due by 6th June 2023.

Year 6 School Ambassador Positions Advertised



Don't forget to remind your Year 6 children to apply for the two new school roles for school ambassadors. This is an exciting new role at WFJS holds a great deal of importance and responsibility across the school. They will need to complete an **application form by Thursday 9th February 2023**. For more information and the application form click [here](#)⁴.

The teachers will short list applicants and the finalists will be asked to present to the whole school in an assembly why they should be selected as a school ambassador on **Monday 6th March 2023**. The presentation could be using PowerPoint slides, a song, a poem, a video or any appropriate method to put their view across to the school. The rest of the school will vote on the two ambassadors and choose the winning candidates.

Year 6 Music Assembly - Tuesday 7th February 2023

The Year 6 Music Assembly has been arranged for **Tuesday 7th February 2023 at 1.15pm**. Any pupil in Year 6 who learns an instrument and would like to take part will be invited to **audition during their class lesson on Thursday 2nd February 2023**. Pupils who have a piece ready to perform will be selected, and **parents of these children will be invited** to attend on the day.

Year 6 are Getting Involved in Junior Citizens!

As part of their work in Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) in the Spring Term, Year 6 will take part in a 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 their transition to secondary school and independence. The children will leave school by coach at 9.15am and will return to school at around 11.45am in time for lunch. They will have lunch at school as usual. In order to cover the cost of this trip we need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £11.50. Please visit our on-line payment system, Scopay to make your voluntary donation.

⁴<https://wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/news/2023-01-17-year-6-school-ambassador-positions-advertised>

YEAR 6 AND YEAR 5

Swimming for Selected Year 5 & 6

Following the swimming assessment on Monday 9th January, we have selected the children who will be continuing with the swimming programme for the next 7 weeks and all parents/carers have been informed by email. All taking part must arrive on time and ready to leave school at 8.55am. Children should bring a named waterproof bag containing the following:- a named swimming costume/trunks (no leisure wear will be permitted, such as bikinis or Bermuda shorts), a named towel, swimming hat (if hair is below the collar), verruca sock if required, and cut fruit or vegetable snack for after swimming. No nuts please. Watches and earrings must not be taken to the pool.

Year 5 & 6 Recorder Club - Spaces available!

Spaces are available in recorder club this term. **Recorder Club is a free club** taking place every Thursday lunchtime in 5H or the group room. If your child is interested in continuing or starting this club, please ask them to listen out on Thursdays before lunch for club reminders and then come along! Just turn up!

YEAR 5

Parents Help for Ramadan Talk - April 2023

We are wondering if there are any parents or carers who would be interested in speaking to the Year 5 children about Ramadan, as part of our Islam topic. We are looking for the talk to take place in the week commencing 24th April 2023. Please contact the Year 5 teachers if you are available and would like to join us. Email KSarjeant@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁵ and Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁶ Thank you very much. Mrs Sarjeant.

Year 5 - Isle of Wight Payment Reminders

Just as a reminder if you have not yet paid your 2nd instalment of £140, this was due on 16th December 2022. The 3rd instalment of £145 is due on 17th February 2023 and the final instalment of £145 is due by 17th April 2023.

YEAR 4

Hooke Court Residential - 15th - 17th May 2023

We are delighted to confirm our exciting Year 4 residential trip to **Hooke Court for year 4 from 15th - 17th May 2023**. A letter with full details, request for payments and with links to the Hooke Court website was sent out earlier this week.

If you would like your child to take part in this trip, we require **a deposit of £70 by 30th January 2023 to secure a place**. If you have any further questions, please contact Ms. Gough on egough@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁷ or the school office office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁸

⁵<mailto:KSarjeant@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

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

⁷<mailto:egough@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

⁸<mailto:office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

YEAR 3

Year 3 Stationery Reminder



The poster is titled 'Stationery Shop' and lists various stationery items with their prices. It is decorated with a border of yellow and green pencils. At the top, there are images of a red pen, a yellow pencil, a glue stick, a black pen, and a yellow pencil. A ruler is shown on the right side. The price list is as follows:

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

S:\Office\Everyone\Admin - Non Curriculum\Forms, Flyers, Notices, Headed paper, Logos & Signs\Stationery Shop price list

Please can we remind our Year 3 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.

WALLACE FIELDS JUNIORS VOLUNTEERS

Introducing - Spotlight on...Mrs Cauldwell known as "Mrs C"





In this new section of the bulletin, we will be introducing and celebrating some of our incredible volunteers who give their time to the school and to our children. This week we are kicking off by introducing the fantastic **Mrs C.**

Mrs. C- What is it you do at WFJS?:

I read with children on a one-to-one basis. (Mrs C. is very modest, she also plays games and does crafts to encourage reading and talking.)

How long have you been volunteering here?

20 Years! (Mrs C volunteers in Year 4, and was part of the Volunteer reading scheme 20 years ago. She loved it so much that when the scheme ended, she continued to come in and give up her time with Mrs Shaw- who we will be introducing soon.)

Wow- that is a long time! What is it that you like about volunteering at WFJS?

I like reading books and I love this school.

What was your favourite book as a child and why?

'The Famous Five' by Enid Blyton.

What would you say to anyone that who considering volunteering in our school?

Please try it!

What is the best part about volunteering in our school? *Meeting with the children, the teachers and hopefully, doing some good. (Mrs C is definitely doing some good- 20 years worth of helping children become more confident with their reading).*

Interview by Rory Hitch- Year 4.

Do You Work in a Creative or Artistic Job?

We are looking to promote Art and Design and Technology (D&T) across the school. **We would like a parent who uses Art and D&T in their jobs every day to come in and speak to the children in an assembly.** Please contact our Art and D&T lead Miss Jacques on CJacques@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk⁹.

We are Looking for Room Dividers



Does anyone have any second hand office room dividers, that we can make a small section for small group intervention areas and make the room less distracting. Like these in the picture.

PTA

Welcome to the Wallace Fields Junior School PTA

The PTA is a crucial part of fundraising for the school and they make a huge difference to funds to ensure school improvements. Your donations help us provide the little extras that make the children's experiences in school so incredible- making learning more creative and fun, which the school budget simply doesn't have the scope to pay for.

Autumn term was a busy term full of fun activities and fundraising. The children got to enjoy new workshops, the Christmas fair and Panto - to name a few! We hosted the fireworks, a joint event run by both infant and junior school PTAs which was a huge success and all those that attended had a wonderful time and enjoyed the show.

We have an exciting few months ahead with many big PTA events and smaller initiatives too. **In February we'll be hosting a second hand uniform sale and a Valentines celebration. On Friday 24th March we will be hosting a Comedy Night, and in May will see the return of the popular Race Night. We also have some fabulous Easter celebrations and competitions to look forward to.**

We'd like to pull together a team of helpers to get the planning into motion for all of our forthcoming events. If you're able to help with any aspect of the event (ideas, planning, logistics, running a stall - whatever takes your fancy and however big or small) please get in touch with us at wfspta@gmail.com¹⁰. **We can't do this without your help!**

⁹<mailto:CJacques@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

¹⁰<mailto:wfspta@gmail.com?subject=PTA>

Join our PTA Team

Wallace Fields Junior School has an active and really friendly PTA team with the main committee consisting of the following:-

- Jade Dodd Chair
- Sarah Crowther Treasurer
- Kelly Tebbs Secretary
- Plus we have an active team of class reps and other PTA volunteers.

We are always looking for new members to join to help drive future fundraising events and idea for the coming year. We are always looking for more people to join the team with whatever skills you have to offer, great at social media management (creating posts, events and responding to queries), admin support (including PTA email account, school office liaison, etc), creative skills fundraising experience & lead generation, great local contacts for raffle and auction prizes, event planning, etc – we would love to hear from you all! If you would like to join or offer any help email wfspta@gmail.com¹¹

Wallace Fields Junior School needs your fundraising donations

Any donations to the school are welcome however big or small. To donate online with gift aid, to the PTA please <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/8007#!/DonationDetails>.

General Reminders and News

Class WhatsApp Groups

Class WhatsApp groups are a very useful and efficient way of communicating to the whole class. The aim of using WhatsApp is to send messages to an entire group, which are relevant to school. They operate independently of the school and the school is not officially responsible for the groups, however the school does understand that class reps are responsible for content and membership of the group.

Can we please remind everyone of the Code of Conduct

- Parents should adhere to the following guidelines when using class WhatsApp groups:
- The group should never be used as a platform to air views/grievances regarding a teacher, child or parent in the class or school
- The group is not a political platform for airing opinions on current affairs
- The group should not be used for private conversations with anyone else using the group
- The group should be used keeping in mind mutual respect and cultural sensitivity between all its members

Anybody would cannot adhere to these rules will be removed from the groups.

¹¹<mailto:wfspta@gmail.com>

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 needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps 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 TWITTER

Twitter is a social media network which allows users to post short messages (tweets) of up to 280 characters. Tweets can consist of text, photos, videos, audio, links, polls and GIFs – often linked by hashtags if they share a common theme or message. Hashtags receiving high levels of interest are said to be 'trending'. Twitter users can engage with other people's posts by liking, retweeting (sharing) or tweeting back (commenting on). Since the entrepreneur Elon Musk acquired Twitter in October 2022 for \$44 billion, he has implemented several major changes to the platform.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INTERACTION WITH STRANGERS

Tweets are public by default, meaning that anyone can view and interact with posts, follow someone and send direct messages. The concern here is that young people may therefore connect and communicate with strangers. Some individuals may follow a young person's Twitter account simply because they have similar interests; however, others may turn out to have more sinister intentions.

FIXATION ON VIEW COUNT

Twitter has recently introduced a 'view count' feature – telling users how many people have seen their tweet (even if they haven't reacted to it). Previous research has found that unfavourable comparisons with other social media users can cause young people to experience feelings of insecurity, jealousy and low self-esteem – leading to an obsession with increasing their numbers.

TROLLS AND BULLYING

The anonymity offered by fake profiles encourages some users to send tweets designed to provoke a reaction: to disrupt conversations; to spark an argument; or to harass the recipient. Such trolling and bullying can impact the mental wellbeing of both the target and anyone who witnesses it. Encourage your child to come to you if they experience such behaviour on Twitter, or if they see it taking place.

PAID-FOR VERIFICATION

Previously, if a Twitter profile displayed a blue tick icon, it meant that the owner – usually a celebrity or a major organisation – had been verified as genuine. Now, however, anyone can pay for a Twitter Blue subscription to receive the tick, with the platform carrying out limited checks on the account's authenticity. This could easily lead to more fake accounts impersonating real people or companies.

CONTENT MODERATION CHANGES

In late 2022, Twitter stated that their 'policy enforcement will rely more heavily on de-amplification of violative content: freedom of speech, but not freedom of reach'. No policies have changed yet, but this wording suggests they may limit who can see posts rather than removing them. While supporting free speech, this could encourage an environment where some toxic content remains online.

HIJACKED HASHTAGS

The hashtag (#) is one of Twitter's most recognisable facets, allowing users to find specific trends or topics. But the sheer volume of tweets each hour can rapidly distort a hashtag's meaning: an initially innocent search term can quickly end up returning inappropriate results. This is common with 'trending' hashtags, as people know that using them will put their tweet seen by a larger audience.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SET ACCOUNTS TO PRIVATE

To reduce some of the fear of your child's tweets being seen and shared by anyone, you can always make their account protected. This means that your child has to give approval for another user to view their posts. You can change Twitter's privacy settings so that your child can't be messaged directly by other people on the platform and their geographical location won't be shared.

FOSTER CRITICAL THINKING

It can be difficult for anyone to ascertain if something online is real or false, but particularly for young people. Encourage your child to check several reputable sources to determine if a story they've seen is true; remind them to watch out for scams and think about the message's possible motive. Emphasise that it's not a good idea to retweet something if they aren't sure it's correct.

ENGAGE SAFETY MODE

When Safety Mode is activated, Twitter checks for abusive or spammy behaviour such as hurtful language or repeated negative replies. The platform then flags these suspect accounts and blocks them from responding to your child's tweets. The outblock function then prevents these accounts from interacting with your child's again for seven days.

EXPLORE THE NEW SETTINGS

Previously, any user could reply to anyone else's tweets. However, the new conversation settings let your child determine who can reply to their posts – either by selecting everyone (the default option), people they follow or only people they mention (using the @ symbol). This improvement has given users extra control, providing them with more protection from trolls and online abuse.

PAUSE BEFORE POSTING

It's important that young people think about what they're about to post and whether they might regret it later. Twitter has developed 'nudges' – little prompts which appear if someone is about to tweet using harmful or offensive language. These nudges promote more positive online behaviour by giving users an opportunity to pause and consider their words before they post something.

BLOCK, REPORT OR MUTE

If someone is upsetting your child on Twitter, you can block and report them. Blocking stops them from messaging or following your child, while reporting an account alerts Twitter to investigate possible misuse. The 'mute' feature, meanwhile, keeps tweets from a specific account (or which include certain words) out of your child's timeline. The other user won't know that they've been muted.

BE CAREFUL WHO TO FOLLOW

As accounts are no longer being as rigorously verified under the 'blue tick' system, it's essential that young Twitter users understand what this means, in terms of people not necessarily being who they claim. Anyone who your child only knows online is still a stranger, regardless of how long they've been communicating for. Remind your child never to disclose personal information on social media.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

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What is My Child Learning About this Term?

To find out what your child is learning about this term please see the **curriculum maps on the Year group page** on the school website. Click here to go to the page for: Year 3¹², Year 4¹³, Year 5¹⁴ & Year 6¹⁵.

¹²<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-3>

¹³<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-4>

¹⁴<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-5>

¹⁵<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/classes/year-6>



Secure your child's spot at our Energy Kidz Wraparound Care - Fun filled and action-packed clubs for 4-11 year olds!

Energy Kidz is a leading provider of out-of-school childcare for primary school aged children, offering fun and affordable childcare delivered in a safe and supervised environment. Their qualified staff are DBS checked to an enhanced level, first aid qualified and experienced in and passionate about the activities they offer, to keep children entertained and moving all day!

To book please login/create an account if you haven't already and secure your place online at:
<https://bookings.energy-kidz.co.uk/Identity/Account/Login>

Energy Kidz understand that affordability may be of concern for families in the current climate. Their flexible payment options offer families several ways to make payments manageable. From handy instalment plans to supporting your eligibility to access funding schemes – they strive to make active childcare services available for every child. Find out more about their flexible payment options available to you here: <https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/payment-options/>

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to call Energy Kidz's friendly bookings team on 0333 577 1533 or drop them an email at info@energy-kidz.co.uk.



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An explosion of play & activity beyond the school day!

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- ✓ Release creativity
- ✓ Make memories to last a lifetime
- ✓ Explore a variety of interests

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What to expect

Energy Kidz understands that children have different interests, so they ensure that each day is filled with a wide range of inclusive activities suitable for all abilities and interests. As well as being able to choose what activities they would like to do, children are always encouraged to try something new! Our Whole of Child programme underpins all our programming and is split into six activity categories ensuring no day at Energy Kidz is ever the same. Find out more below about our fun packed activity categories that make sure children in our care are always having fun and kept engaged, entertained and moving all day!

Healthy Snack available each day!

Our Activity Categories

 Creative Kidz Arts & Crafts Drama Music	 Discovery Kidz Trivia Problem Solving Guided Play	 Wellness Kidz Yoga Meditation Journaling
 Energetic Kidz Arts & Crafts Drama Music	 Practical Kidz Wacky Science Survival Skills Cooking	 Sporty Kidz Kwik Cricket Netball Football

Secure your child's spot now!

Ensure your child doesn't miss out on an explosion of play and activity beyond the school day with Energy Kidz Wraparound Care Clubs running at your school every day throughout 2023!

Scan here for more information and to find your local club times and prices to book now!

- ✓ Childcare vouchers accepted
- ✓ Tax free childcare
- ✓ 5% off sibling discount
- ✓ Flexible payment options

Urgent Messages - Contact the office!

If you need to talk to your child's teacher regarding homework or learning, please contact them through their email address. Click on the red envelope next to the staff member on the following page <https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/our-staff>. Teaching staff will do their utmost to respond within 48 hours. If your email is urgent please contact the school office.

For urgent messages, absences, pick up arrangements and general enquiries please email the School Office on Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk¹⁶ or by calling **020 8393 0350**.

Reminder INSET Days and Latest School Calendar Dates

A reminder that the INSET days this academic year include:-

- Monday 20th February 2023
- Monday 5th June 2023

For the latest dates click here¹⁷ for calendar on website.

¹⁶<mailto:Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk>

¹⁷<https://www.wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk/school-calendar>

Community News

FREE Discover Arts Award creative days February 2023!



Are you interested in learning more about these creative processes?...

- MeZines
- Collage
- Clay

Sign up to our FREE Outreach Discover Arts Award days which will be held in February 2023.

We have spring events taking place at Canterbury campus & online. They are available to pupils in year 6.

Everyone can apply, however priority will be given to those who fit within our eligible criteria.

Apply via the website and there you'll be able to find more information:
<https://www.uca.ac.uk/study-at-uca/outreach/arts-award/>



Stem4's Parent Webinar On Mental Health 7pm 26th January 2023

Stem4's Parent Mental Health Day is on 27th January encourages understanding and awareness of the importance of parents' mental health and its impact on the whole family system. With this year's theme being 'balance', the day aims to get parents and carers to take a moment to reflect on the balance they have in their lives and to take positive steps to make change. More information about Parent Mental Health Day is available here¹⁸.

Stem4 are inviting parents to **join their webinar on Thursday 26th January at 7pm** [click here](#)¹⁹ where they will discuss how improved parent mental health benefits the whole family, and practical ways in which parents and carers can regain equilibrium in their lives and tip the balance towards positive mental health.

¹⁸https://stem4.org.uk/parentmentalhealthday/?utm_campaign=148979_PMHD_Webinar_and_Pack_Schools_Email&utm_medium=email&utm_source=newsletter&dm_i=6U32,36YB,ZTWU2,CHO0,1

¹⁹<https://stem4.org.uk/event/webinar-for-parents-carers-building-resilience-in-parents-carers/>

Could you do something special for your community?



Surrey Police are currently **open for special constable recruitment until Sunday, 22 January.**

"It's a great opportunity to help your community, tackle crime and learn new skills.

Our special constables volunteer their time to work alongside our police officers, with the same uniform, kit, and powers.

Volunteering as a special enables you to experience frontline policing, while also continuing to work in the career that you love. You'll be a vital part of our Surrey Police family, helping to ensure our county feels safe and is safe.

If you think this could be the volunteering opportunity for you, then head to our website to find out more and to apply: www.surrey.police.uk/specials²⁰

²⁰<https://s-url.co/ydoCAA>

Lots of Exciting Workshops at Bourne Hall Museum History Club



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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,

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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.

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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.

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