

## **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**AUTUMN TERM**

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October



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**ATTACHED:** School Meals 2<sup>nd</sup> half Autumn 2017 and Disco flyer

### **SCHOOL LETTERS SENT HOME BY PARENTMAIL /IN BOOKBAGS**

- PTA Race Night
- Reminder cake sale
- Specific – Bikeability forms reminder
- Specific – Crew workshop reminder
- Year 5 - Isle of Wight reminder
- Year 4 – Volunteers for muffin baking
- 5H – Message from your class rep

### **KEY DATES NEXT WEEK**

- **All week**
  - Year 6 Bikeability course
  - Please bring in Harvest Festival donations
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** - Year 5 Boys Athletics trials - lunchtime
- **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>** - Year 5 Girls Athletics trials – lunchtime
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>**
  - (Prospective Parents Evening has been postponed)
  - Specific children attending District Cross Country leaving 3.10pm
  - Deadline for Chris Grayling card competition
  - Deadline for Cauliflower Cards
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>**
  - 1.30-2.30 Harvest Festival – Parents welcome
  - PTA school disco 5.45-7.00pm
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup>** – Break up for half term - Finish normal time. **Children back on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October.**

### **HARVEST FESTIVAL ASSEMBLY– THURSDAY 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 1.30-2.30PM**

Parents / Carers are welcome to **join us for our Harvest Festival in the school hall on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 1.30-2.30pm** and **5H will be leading the assembly.**

### **PLEASE BRING IN HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS FOR AGE UK**

This year we are again collecting donations for Age UK, who distribute hampers to elderly and lonely people in the Epsom and Ewell area. **Age UK will be very grateful for all gifts received but would really appreciate donations such as those below:** Biscuits – Small packs, Chocolates – After Dinner Mints, Fudge, Small Tea, Tinned Salmon, Christmas Themed Items, Small Christmas, Puds, Mince Pies, Tinned Meat Pickles, Chutney, Christmas Cake, Small Marmalades, Small Jam, Small Honey, Savoury Crackers. The hampers will be kept in storage to be distributed at Christmas so please do not include perishables and **please ensure the “sell by dates” are at least up to Spring 2018.** Donations can be brought into school during the week starting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

### **PARENTS CONSULTATION EVENINGS – MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> AND TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

Details will be send out next week.

### **MP CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION – DEADLINE WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

Our local **MP Chris Grayling** is running his **Christmas card competition** again and in the past a Wallace Fields Junior School child has won. All entries should be submitted on A4 in felt tip pen with no glitter or anything stuck on. Please include your child's name, age and class. The winning design will be sent to the Prime Minister! Please send into school clearly marked as MP Card completion. Artwork for the MP card must be sent into school by **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**.

### **YEAR 6 – BIKEABILITY STARTS MONDAY**

All children should come into school in their school uniform and **bring their comfortable cycling clothes, helmet and trainers** with them to change into for the course. Training will go ahead whatever the weather so please remember raincoats and hoods. Children in the first session in the morning must arrive at **school promptly at 8.50 a.m.** for registration so that they can be ready to start training at 9.00 a.m. For the safety of all the children in school it is important that your child **must** walk their bikes from the school gate to the cycle sheds. Bicycles should be padlocked at all times when not in use, **please attach a named key fob to the padlock key.** Please ensure you have a spare key in case the children lose theirs. We advise that they should be taken home each evening, however, all bicycles are left at school at the owners risk, we cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage whilst they are on the school premises. Please spare some time to take your child out on the local roads over the weekend and check your child's bicycle and helmet using the guidelines sent previously.

### **YEAR 6 - SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS DEADLINE 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER**

Applications for a secondary school place must be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> October and as this is half-term we suggest you complete your application **by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017**. The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online. **Visit [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions)** to access the application form. Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email. On 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 you will receive an email with the outcome of your application email.

### **WINTER UNIFORM AFTER HALF TERM**

After half term children must wear the winter uniform i.e. shirts and ties. Polo shirts and summer dresses are not permitted.

### **OUR UNIFORM SUPPLIER BLACK FRIDAY DEALS**

Our uniform supplier Mapac are holding Black Friday online event is only next month, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November so that you can make great savings on school uniform. The Black Friday voucher code will be sent out to everyone who is registered on their system and we wouldn't want anyone to miss out!

### **HELP IN OUR GARDEN**

Thanks to the parents, children and staff who helped at the Ground Force day on Sunday. It really makes a difference to the school. The next date for your diaries is **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 10.30-13:00**. Eco club has been offered some horse manure for their vegetable plot but we need to transport it from Epsom Downs. **Does anyone have a suitable vehicle to transport manure?** Please contact Ms Bishop at [KBishop@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:KBishop@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk)

### **JEANS FOR GENES DAY RAISES £272**

Thank you to everyone who sent in their donation for Jeans for Genes Day. We raised an amazing £272 towards this valuable research charity looking into childhood genetic disorders.

### **NEW OFFICE STAFF**

The office have been running short on hours recently and so we warmly welcome Mrs Cornell as a new member of the office staff who will be working on Thursday mornings.

### **CHANGE OF DATE FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS OPEN EVENING**

Due to a clash of dates with Wallace Fields Infant School we have changed the date of our Prospective Parents Evening to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 6.30-7.30. Everyone welcome. Please just turn up. Tours of the school at 6.30pm followed by a talk from The Head at 7.00pm. **PLEASE NOTE THIS DATE HAS CHANGED FROM THE PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

### **SUMMER READING CHALLENGE RESULTS**

51 children from **Wallace Fields Infant & Junior Schools** signed up for the Epsom Library Summer Reading Challenge 2017 which is an increase of 46% and 23 completed (an increase of 53%) Which is amazing - well done!

### **PTA**

#### **SCHOOL DISCO - THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER 5.45-7.00pm**

The popular disco is back. No need to pre-order tickets just pay £5 on the door. Price includes a snack and drink. If your child cannot eat crisps, please send in an alternative snack in a named bag. Entrance/Exit is through the following class rooms: Year 3 is through Class 3A, Year 4 through Class 3B, Year 5 through Class 4M and Year 6 through Class 4C. Please pick up promptly at 7.00pm. Please contact Clair Wills if [clair@willspr.co.uk](mailto:clair@willspr.co.uk) if you are able to help volunteer at the event.

#### **PTA FUNDRAISER CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Don't forget the **PTA fundraiser design a Christmas Cauliflower Cards**. The A4 Artwork form was sent out a few weeks ago but more copies can be collected from the School Office. You can buy packs of cards and gift tags in your child's design. No cash or cheques this year payment is **ONLY ONLINE** <https://xmascauliflowergroup.co.uk> **Cards need to be ordered online by 0830 Wed 18th October (next week) and artwork into the office by the end of Wednesday please.**

#### **CLASS REPS NEEDED FOR 5M AND 4C**

We still have no class reps at all for 5M and someone to share the role in 4C. As a class rep you are responsible for running one cake sale per year, arranging an end of year teacher's card and collection and assisting the PTA with school fair rotas for your class. The PTA will help you with the cake sale and school fair rota. Please contact the PTA Julie King [julieking.pt@googlemail.com](mailto:julieking.pt@googlemail.com) or Tess Burnett on [ross\\_burnett65@btinternet.com](mailto:ross_burnett65@btinternet.com)

#### **KEEP THE DATE**

**Joint WFIS WFIS Fireworks Night 2016 – Sunday 5 November 4.45-7pm.** Flyers went out in book bags today.

#### **EASY FUNDRAISING**

Please sign up to the easyfundraising website. Last year, we raised over **£1000** for the school through 70 parents, carers and friends of Wallace Fields Junior School being signed up to the **easyfundraising** website and doing their shopping online. Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for WFIS PTA - Wallace Fields Junior School. There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra! It's as easy as 1, 2, 3... 1. Head to the [easyfundraising](http://easyfundraising.com) website and join for free. 2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping. 3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever! PS If you prefer to shop on a tablet or phone you can download the easyfundraising App.

## COMMUNITY

### FREE AND LOW COST ADULT COURSES

Workers' Education Association (WEA) are UK's largest voluntary sector provider of adult education in England and Scotland. WEA deliver friendly, accessible and enjoyable courses for adults from all walks of life. They provide basic maths, English and IT skills for employment; courses to improve health and wellbeing; creative programmes to broaden horizons and community engagement activities that encourage active citizenship. These include courses in the Ebbisham Centre and Longmead Social Centre. Current courses include: "Supporting children on the autistic spectrum", "Beginners Computer Course", "Helping with SEND in schools", and "Introduction to being self employed". Many of the courses are free or at very low cost. For more details or to book a place visit <http://www.wea.org.uk/>

### CYCLE INSTRUCTORS NEEDED

The Cycle Training Team at Surrey County Council are recruiting for Cycling Instructors. Surrey County Council cycle training service helps over 16,000 people a year across the County to ride more safely and confidently. Our clients range from complete beginners to people who want to cycle on busy roads. The majority of our training is school-based but we also train adults and undertake training in the school holidays. The amount of work Instructors are offered depends on the number of requests for training we receive. Some times of the year are busier than others and there are some periods when no work is on offer. Please note that one of our main courses, Bikeability Level 2, lasts for two hours per day over five days, and we prefer Instructors who can be available for a complete individual course. If you are interested please search for "Cycle Instructors" on the following website <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs>