

WEEKLY BULLETIN

AUTUMN TERM

Friday 29th September 2017



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SCHOOL INFORMATION LINE
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Attached: School Disco and PTA Race Night

SCHOOL LETTERS SENT HOME BY PARENTMAIL /IN BOOKBAGS

- PTA Race Night
- Free School Meals – Are you eligible
- PTA Christmas Card Design Fundraiser
- Class Reps Needed Urgently
- Help with School Gardens
- Specific - Hooke Court Final Date for Deposit
- Year 6 – French Residential Trip
- Year 6 Bikeability Groups for those involved
- Year 5/6 – Payment with cheques/cash
- Year 5 – Crew Theatre visit Egyptian workshop
- Year 5 - Isle of Wight residential trip
- Selected – School Council training opportunity
- Football team trials results

KEY DATES NEXT WEEK

- **Tues 3rd Oct** - 09:15 - 14:30 Year 5 & 6 School Council Reps Training at Stamford Green Primary
- **Fri 6th Oct** – 6C Class Assembly 9.00-9.30 Parents Welcome

SCHOOL NEWS

MR HURD'S BABY HAS ARRIVED

Mr Hurd's daughter, Inez, was born on Monday 25th September. Mother and baby are doing well. Mr Hurd will be taking a few weeks' paternity leave. I am sure you would like to join us in wishing him and his wife all the best.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS EVENING

Due to a clash of dates with Wallace Fields Infant School we have changed the date of our Prospective Parents Evening to Wednesday 1st 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 18TH OCTOBER 2017**

HARVEST FESTIVAL – THURSDAY 19th OCTOBER 1.30-2.30PM

Parents / Carers are welcome to join us for our Harvest Festival in the school hall on Thursday 19th October 1.30-2.30pm. 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 on Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th or Wednesday 18th October at the end of the school day or in the morning of Thursday 19th October. **Thank you for your support. Miss Gough, RE Leader**

CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to all the children who took part in the Inter-house cross country race today.

CLASS ASSEMBLY REMINDERS

Parents/Carers are welcome to come to watch their child's assembly. The next few dates are as follows:

- **6C Class Assembly - Fri 6th Oct 9-9.30am**
- **4M class assembly – Friday 13th Oct 9-9.30**

RESIDENTIAL TRIPS AND DEPOSIT REMINDERS

If your child is wishing to attend their year group residential trip. Please ensure deposits are paid on time:

Year 4 – Hooke Court – Deposit £50 by 29th September

Year 5 – IOW trip – Deposit £110 by 13th October

Year 6 – French trip – Deposit £80 by 20th October

YEAR 3 TEA PARTY

The Year 3 Tea party went really well last week and thanks to the teachers, staff, helpers and PTA who set up and helped with this event and all the parents for bringing in the delicious cakes.

ART FESTIVAL AT BOURNE HALL UNTIL MIDDAY FRIDAY 6th OCTOBER

We are delighted to say that WFJS has taken part in 'The Epsom and Ewell Art Festival 2017' for the third year running. A number of enthusiastic artists throughout the school have had their work selected to be framed and displayed at Bourne Hall for 2 weeks. The exhibition showcases the art work from 23 schools across Epsom and Ewell, both secondary and primary. The level of skill, vivid colours and vast variation make this exhibition truly special and something the children can feel very proud of. The Art work will be displayed until midday on Friday 6th October and if you have the opportunity to pop down, it is well worth a visit!

DANGEROUS DRIVING

It has been brought to our attention that there has been some dangerous driving on Windmill Lane. PLEASE take care when passing other cars on Windmill Lane, slow down and avoid mounting the kerb, wherever possible.

KEEPING THE SCHOOL GARDENS LOOKING GOOD

We are on a mission to try and help get our school gardens looking good and keep them that way, which is not an easy task as it so quickly start getting over grown again; so we are proposing a three pronged attack and need your help!

- **Ground Force Days** - Back in the Summer a group of parents did a brilliant job during a couple of Ground Force Day helping to clear and tidy our school gardens and we would like to run these regularly. We are proposing two dates in the Autumn Sunday 8th October and Saturday 2nd December from 10-1pm. Please come along and bacon butties and hot drinks will be provided.
- **Regular volunteers** – In the past we have been lucky enough to have some parents/carers/Grandparents who came to help with Eco and Gardening every week and we miss them dearly. Could you take this on?
- **Eco prefects** – We have already identified some keen children and have a list of suitable jobs such as light weeding in the Quadrant & paths, watering the pots, and sweeping the steps etc.
- As well as making sure we liaise with Joe Findlay and the Surrey Council Groundsmen to make sure they do

Please get in contact with us to let us know how you can help. Thank you Mrs Crabb PCrabb@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk and Ms Bishop KBishop@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

HELPING HANDS

It was great to see so many parents starting to volunteer in the class rooms this week. It makes such a difference to the teaching staff and we are very grateful.

PTA

RACE NIGHT - FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 7.30-10.30pm

LOOKING FOR A FUN NIGHT OUT TO EASE YOU BACK INTO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR? Look no further! We're putting on a Race Night! Wallace Fields Infant & Junior Schools PTAs are having a casual, fun night at the races, right here on your doorstep. So book your babysitters & come & join us! It is on 13th of October from 7:30 - 10:30pm at Wallace Fields Infants School. Tickets are now available to purchase from <http://buytickets.at/wfispta> The tickets are at a bargain price of £7.00 to name your very own race horse, which includes a complimentary welcome drink & light snacks, as well as some treats in the owners' enclosure for when your horse is racing. We are also putting on some **hot food, which needs to be pre-ordered** (at the same time as buying your race night ticket) **by 6th October** - so don't delay - order today! Food options are basket meals with chicken, sausages or scampi and chips for a bargain price of £5. On the night there will also be a well-stocked bar & light drinks available.

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 if you are able to help volunteer at the event.

CAN YOU HELP AT THE RACE NIGHT OR FIREWORKS?

Signing up to help at joint Wallace Fields Junior and Infant event rotas (e.g. race night or fireworks) is really easy. Anyone can self-register to the PTA Social site by clicking on the link below <https://app.ptasocial.com/register/WallaceFieldsPTA> It'll come to a PTA administrator to approve. Alternatively ANY existing members can add new people by clicking 'invite member' on the top bar as long as they have their email address.

COMMUNITY

EPSOM BAPTIST CHURCH FREE HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

This year it is called 'The Guardians of Ancora' and is all about Light! There is no charge for the Holiday Club as this is part of our service to the community and many of the children come regularly and bring their friends. There are craft activities, games, quizzes, stories, DVD's, songs and refreshments. All our helpers are DBS cleared and we have a high ration of adults to children. Mary Hammond (Holiday Club Leader and Children's Worker, Epsom Baptist Church, 6, Church Street Epsom KT17 4NY 01372 722530

BIG DRAW EPSOM – SATURDAY 14th OCTOBER 10AM to 4.30PM

Sixteen local artists, illustrators and designers, assisted by talented students from UCA, will be in **Epsom Library** and **Epsom Square** leading activities and workshops as part of the global festival, The Big Draw. **These events are for everyone!** This Big Draw event, celebrating drawing, is entirely **FREE** and open to people who can draw and those who think they can't of **ALL** ages!