

WEEKLY BULLETIN

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Friday 6th December



SCHOOL OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS

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ATTACHED: PTA RAFFLE TICKETS & CHRISTMAS DVD ORDER FORM

SCHOOL LETTERS SENT HOME BY PARENTMAIL /IN BOOKBAGS

- Cookery club cancelled 3rd and 5th December
- Parent Help urgently needed for choir walk to Sainsbury's Thursday 5th December
- Year 5 - Message from parent Mrs Kingsley
- PTA Christmas Fair
- Year 6 Tag rugby

KEY DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday 9 th Dec	Year 3 to Wallace Fields Infant School Christmas Production 9-10am Year 6 rugby trials lunchtime – rugby/football boots needed
Wednesday 11 th Dec	School Christmas Dinner. Children welcome to wear Christmas hat or head dress.
Thursday 12 th Dec	School shut for General Election
Friday 13 th Dec	Christmas Jumper /Mufti day – Bring a bottle for the PTA bottle tombola Year 6 rugby trials lunchtime – rugby/football boots needed PTA Christmas Fair – Pick up as normal. Come along to the Christmas fair after from 15:30

IMPORTANT - WHOLE SCHOOL

DON'T FORGET WE ARE CLOSED FOR POLLING DAY ON THURSDAY 12th DECEMBER 2019

CHRISTMAS MUFTI

Children are welcome to wear a **Christmas hat or head dress** with their normal school uniform on **Wednesday 11th December** for their Christmas lunch. Then on **Friday 13th December** children may wear **Christmas jumpers and mufti** and bring in a bottle for the Christmas Fair.

OUR CHRISTMAS CONCERT – TUESDAY 17th December 6:30-8.00PM

Please ensure you have the evening of Tuesday 17th December in your diary as all parents/carers are welcome to come and watch our Christmas concert. There is limited parking at Epsom College so please walk if possible. **Children need to arrive at 6.00pm. Entry into the chapel for parents/carers is from 6.15pm** so please be prepared to queue outside the chapel whatever the weather. If you have any elderly or disabled guests attending the concert please let us know in advance by emailing the school office by Monday 16th December and seats can be reserved and early admittance to the chapel may be permitted. Seats will also be reserved for car park marshalls, school governors, special guests of the school and PTA committee members. All children, unless specific instructions from the class teacher, must **wear full school uniform** for the concert.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR REHEARSAL FOR CAROL CONCERT ON TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER MORNING

The children will walk to the Chapel for a rehearsal on Tuesday 17th, regardless of the weather, so please ensure they have waterproof jackets or coats, scarves, hats and gloves! **Thank you to all those parents who have volunteered to help walk the children to and from the rehearsal at the chapel but we do need a few more.** We will be leaving school at 9.00am and returning at 11.30am. If you can help please email Office1@wallacefieldsjun.surrey.sch.uk

PG FILMS

At the end of term, the children might have the chance to watch a movie in the classroom or play a board game. Where possible, it will be a U rated movie but for older years, we may allow the children to watch a PG. **If any parents object to their children seeing a PG film, please let their class teacher know by Friday 13th December.**

RUGBY COACHES NEEDED TO HELP AT A COUPLE OF LUNCHTIMES OR AFTER SCHOOL

If we have anybody who would be interested and available to trial and coach a team in preparation for the Year 3 to Year 5 tournaments next February / March, I'd be very grateful to hear from you. You don't particularly need to do your "own" year group, sometimes it's easier not to have your own children involved! Following a couple of lunchtime trials (or after-school if that's preferable to you), we would concentrate on a squad of 10 - 12 children to train once a week leading up to the event. Please contact me at lwilson@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch or leave a message at the school office if you might be able to help. Mrs Wilson

PUPIL MOBILE PHONE USAGE

It has been drawn to our attention that some children have been receiving inappropriate messages on their mobile phones late at night. Please be mindful of your child's usage of their mobile phones and talk to them about sensible use of phones, including appropriate times to communicate. We would advise that mobile phones are removed from the children at bedtime to aid a restful and peaceful sleep, needed to learn effectively.

We take E-safety very seriously at school and regularly discuss sensible online and mobile phone use with children in the class, in assemblies and during our E-safety Week. Please promote the safe use of internet and digital technology, including mobile phones at home to support our message in school. For example, discuss how comments intended to be funny, can often be misinterpreted online whereas if said face to face they could be acceptable as facial expressions, body language, tone of voice and context that all help to ensure that remarks are taken the right way. You might find some useful advice on these web links

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/444865/Advice_for_parents_on_cyberbullying.pdf

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parents-guide-technology/smartphones>

Thank you for your ongoing support in this digital age. We will continue to promote safe digital usage in our Digital Literacy Week at the beginning of February, 2020.

YEAR 5

5S SWIMMING STARTS MONDAY 13th JANUARY 2020

Just to remind children in 5S swimming lessons start on Monday 13th January. If you have not completed the permission slip and paid online the donation of £49 then please do so as soon as possible. Please remember to bring in your labelled costume, towel and swimming hat as well as a fruit snack for when you return to school. 5C swimming will start later in the spring.

YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO ISLE OF WIGHT

Second instalment of £125 now due 6th December 2019

PARENT HELP NEEDED IN YEAR 5 – THURSDAY 19th DECEMBER 2019

We are looking for parents to help with the construction of model shelters in year 5. We will be using saws and hot glue guns and would appreciate some extra eyes and ears in the classroom! This will be an all-day event, so anytime you can give to us would be very helpful. Sessions start 10.30am – 12.10pm and 1.15pm – 3.30pm. Please email Mrs Crabb or Miss Sarjeant on pcrabb@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk or ksarjeant@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

YEAR 5 BOOK CLUB READING AMBASSADORS

Book Club Reading Ambassadors for Year 5 are Henry Kingsley and Jenna Vanden Ijssel. Mr Lee has presented them with badges.

YEAR 6

HELP NEEDED TO MAKE SLIPPERS IN YEAR 6

Year 6 will need to bring in a cereal box (no cereal which previously contained nuts please) and 50cm x 50cm material to make the slippers. The fabric should NOT be fur but could be fleece, felt or an old sweatshirt. D&T week will be on w/c 9th December when Year 6 children will be making slippers. **We are looking for parents to help on Monday 9th December 2.30pm, and the following mornings: Wednesday 11th December and Friday 13th December.** Please email your class teacher JClayton@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk or THurd@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk if you are able to help. Thank you

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO FRANCE

Second instalment of £90 due 13th December 2019

YEAR 6 TAG RUGBY TRIALS NEXT WEEK

The time has come again to start planning for the tag-rugby tournaments next Spring and Mr Carmichael has once again, very kindly, volunteered to coach our year 6 team. Therefore, if your child would like to attend the trials, they are being held on **Monday 9th and Friday 13th Dec at lunchtime**. The interested children MUST bring in a change of clothes (which are ok to get muddy), should go to **early lunch** and then meet with Mr Carmichael on the lower field at 12.30pm. Football boots / rugby boots / astros will be ESSENTIAL; trainers will NOT be suitable and your child will NOT, be permitted to participate without the appropriate footwear for their own safety. Children should attend both trials. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask. Thank you. Mrs Wilson
lwilson@wallacefileds-jun.surrey.sch.uk

YEAR 6 BUILDING WORK

Building work is starting next week on the new improved Year 6 classrooms. We will minimise any disruption to the children. A letter with more details on the plans will be emailed separately.

YEAR 6 BOOK CLUB NEWS AND SPACES AVAILABLE

There are still some spaces left in the Year 6 book club so please email the School Office if you have a Year 6 child who would like to take part. The club is free but parents will need to buy the chosen book or get the book out of the local library. Year 6 group's October read, *The Children of Castle Rock* by Natasha Farrant, led to discussion about how we identify and pursue our particular talents. We talked about the central boy/girl/boy trio of characters and what that complex relationship brought to the story. We also discussed how this adventure measured up to other series set in boarding schools. Special mention must be given to Teju S. who independently wrote a fantastic review proclaiming it "A gem of a book!" The group's next read is *North Child* by Edith Pattou and due to the school holidays they are also each picking a second read from the selection shown. Book Club Reading Ambassadors for Year 6 are Rosie Rowson and Piyara Rathnayaka. Their badges have been presented by Mr Lee.



CLUB UPDATES

CLUBS FINISHING FOR CHRISTMAS

The following clubs have already finished for Christmas: Girls football club, Judo, Tag Rugby, Chess, Basketball, Spanish, Science club, Theatre Arts, Football Team training, Fitness club, Active Fun Friday. The following clubs will be finishing next week:

- **Mon 9th Dec** – Netball rockets, Junior Game Creators
- **Tues 10th Dec** – Netball rockets, Tuesday football club, Hip Hop
- **Weds 11th Dec** – Wednesday cookery club, Netball team training

There are no clubs running in the last week of term except for the postponed Tuesday Cookery club which will now be held on Monday 16th December. Following the cancelled **Cookery Clubs** this week, Mr Johnson will be in touch with parents of all club attendees.

REMINDER & OTHER SCHOOL NOTICES

ORDERING THE CHRISTMAS SERVICE DVD

The Christmas celebration at the chapel will be filmed by Magicbox Pictures on the evening of Tuesday 17th December. If you would like to order a copy of the DVD for £14, please see the form attached separately. Please send in your order slip with cash or cheque (no payment on Scopay as this payment is directly to an external supplier), before the end of term and they will be delivered in the New Year.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Children can post Christmas cards to other WFJS children by posting their cards in the post box in the hall. Cards only - no sweets, chocolates or gifts please. Please ensure children clearly mark the child's full name and their class on the envelope.

CHOIR RAISES MONEY FOR CHARITY

The Chamber choir raised £250 for the Epsom Medical Fund in the Ashley Centre and the School choir raised £320 for the Save the Children Fund in Sainsbury's by carol singing this week. Thank you to the parents who kindly helped Mrs Mihaylova with the walk down to the Ashley Centre and Sainsbury's.

CLOSING DATE FOR INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Closing date for Infant and Junior applications for September 2020 entry is 15th January 2020. Full information is available at www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or for help call 0300 200 1004.

SURREY YOUTH GAMES YOUNG AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Year 5 & 6 children might be interested in signing up to be a Surrey Youth Games Young Ambassador to represent Epsom and Ewell for this great sporting day. To find the link to the application form click on the link below:

<https://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk/syg>

BOOK BINGO

We have introduced Book Bingo this year to encourage reading for pleasure and to widen the variety of books that our pupils read. Reading different genres will be celebrated in class and during assembly with the children receiving a certificate. Each teacher has set a Book Bingo grid so the children can try and achieve a 'line' of books read. When your child has finished a book, make sure that the teacher is informed via the reading record or homework diary. Mrs Clayton, English Lead

COLLECTING USED STAMPS FOR M.E. RESEARCH

We are collecting used stamps to help raise money for ME research. Please save all your used stamps (both Xmas and ordinary), cut with a border of envelope of 5-10mm. Please leave them in the Christmas pupil post box. All donations gratefully received.

PTA

PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR - ONE WEEK TO GO - FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER 3.30-5.00PM

SWEETS AND CHOCOLATES - Please bring in lots of sweets and chocolates as this stall always runs out very quickly. No nuts please.

MORE SANTA'S SOCKS - Please fill a clean sock with either sweets / little toys or stationery.

MORE SECRET SANTA PRESENTS. - Items that children can purchase and wrap as surprise presents for mums, dads, siblings and friends. Please put all donations in the labelled bags provided in each classroom.

CAKES FOR CAFE – Paper plates came home today in book bags for you to fill with baked and bought goodies for the café at the fair (nut-free please). Cakes can be taken to reception at morning drop off on Friday 13th Dec.

RAFFLE TICKETS– The hampers are looking fantastic. Don't forget you can still print off the raffle tickets attached here, fill in and return with cash (£1 per ticket) to the school office.

BOTTLE MUFTI DAY – FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER - Our children can come into school in their own clothes with a Christmas theme jumper and in exchange we ask for donations of bottles for our very popular bottle tombola. All donations will be collected at the school gates as the children enter in the morning. Any help after drop off carrying in bottles into Mr Lee's office and sellotape the raffle tickets would be great – even 10 minutes.

ENTRANCE - There will be a donation bucket at the entrance to the fair (via the library door straight from the playground). For a donation, you will receive a ticket which can be exchanged for a hot drink including mulled wine in the cafe. All these donations will then be gift aided.

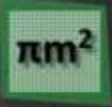
VOLUNTEERS – Thank you to all those parents who have volunteered to help please email WFJSPTA@gmail.com

CAULIFLOWER CARDS

Mrs Siddiqui, parent volunteer, has kindly arranged the cauliflower Xmas cards on behalf of the PTA. She is chasing the supplier and I understand they are out on delivery to us so should be delivered any day now.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

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CALLING ALL YEAR 5, 6 & 7 GIRLS



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MORE PLAYERS NEEDED FOR 2020!



TRAINING

When? Mondays 7 to 8pm

Where? Blenheim High School Astro Pitches, KT19 9BH



MATCHES

When? Sunday mornings

Where? Home ground at Alexandra Park. Away matches in Surrey.

Format: 7 vs 7

THE CLUB & COACHING

****Coaches are FA qualified and DBS checked****

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