

# Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning

## YEAR 1's REPTILIAN CELEBRITIES



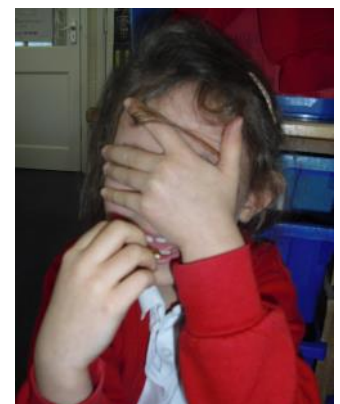
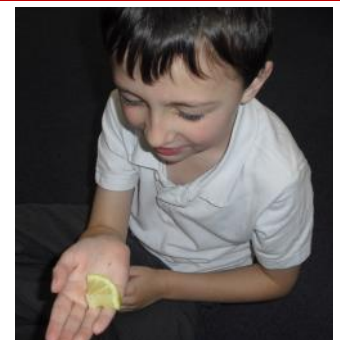
### GET THEM OUT OF HERE!

Watch out for the crocodile...and the PYTHON!  
This week Year 1 had a fascinating visit from Crocodile Encounters. The children were entranced by a selection of scaly reptiles. Richard, the Crocodile Man, introduced us to a range of animals including a smaller Nile crocodile. Some of us used our value of courage to have a hold!  
Can you spot Nathan close to "Pharaoh" the Cyman Croc and "Solero" the butterscotch, pale yellow, Burmese Python?



### FUN SCIENCE INVESTIGATIONS

**Year 3** used plasticine to bring their rock learning to life, modelling how igneous rocks are formed, learning about the formation of sedimentary and metamorphic rock.  
**Year 1** had fun carrying out **taste tests** with popcorn, lemon and pretzels, learning about sweet, salty and bitter tastes. Here is **Year 2** testing out which material is the best at protecting a 'dragon's egg'. They thoroughly enjoyed dropping the eggs outside to carry out the test.  
**Year 4 parents/carers:** don't forget to send your 'recycling' items in for making torches as part of our Bright Sparks topic. Items can include cardboard tubes, boxes, foil cases.



## DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

- Mon 5th Dec - Last catch up swim for 1W & 1B  
Last Netball Club after school  
Last Tennis Club after school
- Tues 6th Dec Water Plc visiting Y5  
Last catch up swim for 1S & 4A
- Wed 7th Dec Whole School Inter-House Spelling Competition  
School Lunch Sampling for those Registered 2:45—3:15 pm Large Hall  
Last Film Critic after school club  
Last Y5&6 Hockey Club
- Thur 8th Dec Last Y3&4 Hockey Club
- Fri 9th Dec Christmas Fayre Mufti Day in exchange for bottles, chocolate, cakes, tombola items  
NO RANGERS after school today because of the CHRISTMAS FAYRE 5—6:45 pm  
Large Playground open for parking.



## SCHOOL LUNCH TASTING SESSION

Thank you to those parents/carers who have signed up to come and sample some of the lunches provided by our caterers and to give us feedback:

**Wednesday 7th December from 2:45pm to 3:15pm** in the Large Hall.

Remember to pick up your children afterwards!

## WRAY COMMON SPELLING DAY

On **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** Year 6 will be hosting the first Spelling Day for the whole school. Each year group will have a taster session of some interesting games that can be used to make learning spellings more fun. If your children have any helpful ideas or handy hints that others can use, there will be a suggestions box on the day.



## CATCH-UP SWIMMING

Swimming for this term has now ended with the exception of:

- **1W** and **1B** who will have an additional swim on **Monday 5th December** (catch-up due to INSET day) and
- **1S** and **4A** who will have an additional swim on **Tuesday 6th Dec** (catch-up from missed session on Fri 25th Nov).

For both of these catch-ups, regular swimming times will apply. If you are able to help with these sessions, please let the class teachers know. Thank you.

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR HOME SCHOOL LINK WORKER

Dear Parents and Carers,

The next four week Parenting Puzzle workshop is due to start in mid-January.

This is a really useful and supportive workshop looking at the four building blocks for a better family life - Self-Awareness and Self Esteem - Appropriate Expectations - Empathy - Positive Discipline.

Please contact Welcare - 0173778084, our local children's Centre or contact me, HSLW through the school office. A crèche is available.

## SWIMMING CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to those of you who have sent in your swimming contributions. Please keep these coming in!



## RANGERS REPORT

Disco Wednesdays have become a favourite at Rangers recently. Each week the Rangers take part in crazy competitions and demonstrate some wild moves and shapes. A reminder for parents that Dusk Rangers (after school) will **not operate next Friday 9th December** due to the Christmas Fayre taking place at school. Be sure to check in with the Rangers team at the Fayre for a surprise!

## Future of Rangers

Some of you may already be aware that we have outsourced our Breakfast and After School club to Camp Glide Ltd which is owned and run by Andy Setters. As far as you and your children are concerned, this will not change the daily service being offered except for the method of booking and paying for your sessions. Andy will contact you separately to inform you of this change and to let you know when you can start booking sessions for next term. Families who are already registered will not need to re-register.

The school will continue to work in partnership with Andy to support him in this exciting new venture and to ensure that the current excellent service is maintained in the future. We intend to make the transition as seamless as possible and the new service will begin from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

## WRAY COMMON CYCLES OVER THE FINISHING LINES

Redhill Raiders' Local Schools' cycling challenge finals for girls took place last Sunday at Fidelity. Following pre-selection skills and time challenges, four schools were selected to submit racing teams, Wray Common, St John's, Earlswood(Brambletye) and Warren Mead. Of these, Wray Common and Earlswood (Brambletye) brought riders and supporters along and Wray Common presented a very strong team.



Many congratulations to the following cyclists:

- Age 8 Race—winner was Maisie McKerracher, Mia-Bella Marrant came third
- Age 9 Race—winner was Amy Hart and second came Tamar McLoughlin
- Age 10 Race—winner was Phoebe Taylor

Wray Common certainly has some cycling pedigree—well done girls!



## CHRISTMAS LETTERS COMING HOME TODAY:

Christmas Events 2016—Religious Options

Christmas School Lunch invitation—for those who bring packed lunches.



**POPPY APPEAL 2016:** Thank you very much for helping with the 2016 Poppy Appeal—£589.15 was collected by you! This will go towards the Royal British Legion's vital welfare and benevolent work.

## FRIENDS OF WRAY COMMON FUND RAISING

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Friday 9th December

5:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

- Many thanks for all the donations received today. We will be collecting again next Friday morning (9 Dec) from 8:30 outside the school office for bottles, chocolate, books and cakes.
- Can you please ensure that any raffle ticket stubs, monies and unsold tickets are returned to the office on Friday morning.
- We are still looking for volunteers to help at the event, so if you can spare some time to help set up or work on a stall please contact Bernie on 07958 728642.

### HAPPY SCHOOL BAGS

Thank you to those who were able to bring in filled Happy School Bags on Tuesday. We are waiting to hear just how much was raised from your donations!



### ART PROJECT FOR SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS

We are pleased to say that your Christmas Cards orders that were received by the school yesterday, are being sent home today via your child!

