

# Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning

## WHAT AN AMAZING ADVENTURE!

Last Friday, our Year 6 children returned from their residential trip to PGL Marchants Hill, buzzing with excitement and stories about the amazing three days they had spent there. As you can see from these photos, they had an action packed few days away, full of fun, thrills, friendship and quite a bit of mud!



*I enjoyed the trip to PGL. I got to know my friends more and was able to spend more time with them. Raft-building was my favourite activity; I learnt a lot about teamwork and that you can achieve more as a team than by yourself.* By Daniel



*I am proud of myself because I was so scared when I did the zip wire, trapeze and abseiling, but I had courage in myself and made progress. I was so pleased that I was able to do all of the activities and made my friends proud.* By Layla



*I am happy that I had the privilege to go to PGL and learn some life skills. It gave me the chance to try archery; I did really well and I felt a real sense of achievement. My team was really encouraging and no matter how far I went, they supported me, every step!* By Christina



*What PGL did for me is hard to put into words. Staying in a dormitory with my friends has brought me closer to them and let me see their true colours. I grew more self-confident and it made me emerge out of my shell. I got past my fears and got better in teamwork. I learnt that working in a team is way easier than trying individually; it really makes life easier. It was a privilege to go to PGL as some schools don't get the opportunity to do this. It was a great experience!* By Jamie S

## ELMER DAY

Today our Reception classes celebrated Elmer Day. The children enjoyed a morning filled with dancing, games and cake!! Poor Elmer was unable to attend because he was stuck in the jungle looking for Wilbur, but he sent a message to the children to wish them a happy day.



## COMMUNITY MATTERS

Please [click here](#) to find out about a fundraising event for 'grown ups' that is coming up in aid of the Royal Marsden Cancer Charity via George and the Giant Pledge.

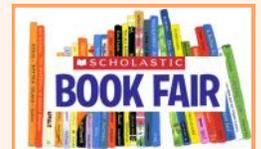
There is a 'Train to Teach' event taking place on the 21<sup>st</sup> November at Reigate College between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. Please [click here](#) for more information.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR POSTER COMPETITION

We would love the children to design a poster to advertise the Book Fair. The A4 sized poster can be made using the template that is attached to this newsletter or drawn from scratch if preferred. If you do not wish to use the template, please remember to include the following information on the poster:

Scholastic Book Fair  
12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> November  
2:45 - 3:45

The design is entirely free choice as long as the poster is eye-catching and with lots of bright colours - the brighter the better! Please hand the finished posters to your class teachers by Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at the latest with your child's name and class on the back. There will be one winner from each year group and each winner will be able to choose a free book to the value of £7 from the Book Fair. Winning posters will be seen in the hall during the week of the fair. Everyone who takes part will earn a bookmark for entering, so come on children, what have you got to lose? Good Luck and happy designing!



## RANGERS REPORT

This week at Rangers we had tons of fun getting into the October spirit by creating some Spooktacular pumpkin decorations! Using only paper plates, paint and our amazing imaginations, we have managed to make these amazing pumpkins.



For more spooky fun, join us this Half Term at Camp Glide, where we will be having a range of Halloween based activities alongside our regular camp activities. Dates for next half term are now live, so for more information and to book, please visit our website at [www.campglide.co.uk](http://www.campglide.co.uk).

## COOL MILK

Milk is one of the best sources of calcium for the body contributing to strong, healthy bones and teeth. School milk costs 22p per day, although it's free if your child is under 5. Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk, so if you would like to register your child for school milk, please [click here](#) or visit [www.coolmilk.com/register](http://www.coolmilk.com/register).



## DON'T FORGET YOUR COATS

As we move into the colder and wetter weather, can we please remind all parents that children must bring a coat in to school every day. The children go out for break and lunch break every day, with the exception of very rainy days, so a coat is an absolute must. If children do not have coats on wet days, they will be asked to spend the lunch times under the shelter of the gazebo. One other request - please make sure the coat is clearly named. Thank you.



## SECONDARY ADMISSIONS

A final reminder to Year 6 parents/carers that the deadline for secondary school admissions is Wednesday 31st October. Please visit [www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions) to make your application.



## FRIENDS OF WRAY COMMON FIREWORKS

A reminder that the Wray Common Fireworks Event is fast approaching and tickets are on sale now! The Friends will also be selling tickets at the school gate at pick-up time on 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Oct and 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. Tickets will also be available on the gate on the night but at a slightly higher price. This event cannot run without volunteers and we are still in need of people to help. Please let the school office or one of the ticket sellers at the gate know if you are able to help. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November for what promises to be a fantastic evening!

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Oct  
  
Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov

## DATES FOR w/c 29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

INSET Day (no school for children)  
Year 6 'Portals to the Past' WW2 workshop (dress in costume) Return permission slip and payment please  
Friends' Firework Event (gates open at 5:30 p.m. fireworks at 6:30 p.m.)

## POPPY APPEAL 2018

As part of Wray Common's support for The British Legion, poppies and associated items will be on sale at school after half term. Our school council chair, vice-chair and secretaries, will be selling items just outside Main Reception every morning (8:30 - 8:45 a.m.) from Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October until Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. We suggest a donation of between 50p and £1. Please note that no change will be available so correct money please.



## FRIENDS' FUNDRAISING

Your Bag2School bags are coming home today, and with the half term holiday fast approaching, what a good time to have a clear out and donate your unwanted textiles to help raise money for the school. Check out this list to see what can be donated and what can't. [www.bag2school.com/what-we-collect](http://www.bag2school.com/what-we-collect) Don't forget, you can use any bag to donate - the more bags, the more money raised! The collection date is Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November, so plenty of time to pack your bags!



A reminder that the deadline for the return of your designs for Rudolph Cards (Christmas Card Project) is Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please make sure that you return your designs and payment to the school office by that date.

## NETBALL RESULTS

Our A and B netball teams played away at Earlswood on Wednesday this week and came away with one win and one loss. Congratulations to the B team who won 2-0 and our commiserations go to the A team who lost 6-1. Great team spirit from everyone, as this photo clearly shows.



## ...MORE FROM PGL



## KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

For those of you who are new to Wray Common and as a note to everyone else, we would like to remind you that dogs are not permitted on the school premises at any time (even carried in arms), and we are asking that owners do not leave their dogs unattended outside the school gates or left tied to our school fence. If you are walking your dog up to school and are waiting outside of the school gates, we ask that you wait at a distance away from where the children will be entering/exiting the school premises. Thank you for your co-operation.



# Scholastic Book Sale

Mon 12th - Wed 14th

November

2.45 - 3.45