

Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON THIS WEEK?



A VISITOR FROM OUTER SPACE

Over the past week, Reception have been receiving messages from an alien. The first message said that the alien was looking for a new destination to visit; using our investigation skills we worked out that they had spotted the Wray Common windmill. Knowing that the alien was close to our school, we searched for signs they had visited us. The next day, we received another message that told us the alien had been busy in our mud kitchen and that they had left some space objects behind. Upon examination, Reception decided these were actually alien eggs. The messages didn't stop there, we discovered the alien had been swinging on our playground equipment that left them feeling quite sick. They were getting close, controls were found inside our school and then this Monday, an incredible rocket ship appeared. Unfortunately, the rocket ship had broken down and the alien had to leave it here whilst they went back to their planet to collect supplies. In the meantime, Reception have been trying to fix the spacecraft before the alien returns. Keep a look out for any further alien activity.



HURRICANES!

A hurricane is a rotating storm with very strong winds that spins over the ocean. It has a diameter of 100-200 miles.

How are hurricanes formed?

Warm water in the ocean heats the air above it. The air rises and cools, forming clouds. As the air rises, it starts to spin. The spin gets stronger and stronger. The air keeps rising and the clouds get taller. The air keeps rising and the clouds get taller. The air keeps rising and the clouds get taller.

What are the effects?

Hurricanes can be very dangerous. They can cause a lot of damage. They can cause a lot of damage. They can cause a lot of damage.

TORNADOES!

A tornado is a violent, swirling tube of air that spins very fast. It can be very dangerous.

How do tornadoes occur?

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Tsunami!

A tsunami is a series of waves that are caused by the displacement of a large volume of water. It can be very dangerous.

How are tsunamis formed?

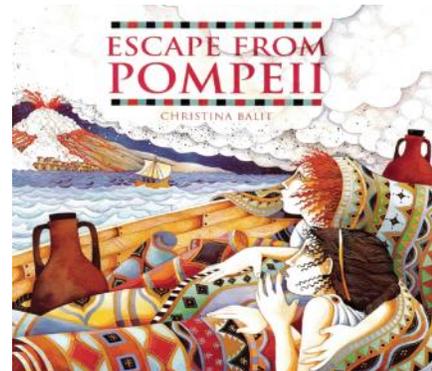
Tsunamis are formed when the ocean floor is suddenly displaced. This can happen when an earthquake occurs. The water is pushed up and down. The water is pushed up and down. The water is pushed up and down.

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ACTIVE PLANET

Year 3 have been working hard on their 'Active Planet' topic and have written some excellent non-chronological reports based on their Brain Builds of extreme weather conditions. There are some really interesting facts here, so please have a read.



ROMAN VISITORS IN YEAR 3

Year 3 were lucky enough to have Tranio and Livia visit us this week, all the way from the forgotten Roman city of Pompeii. They told us all about the day that Mount Vesuvius erupted in 79AD and how they were lucky enough to survive. We assured them that their story would not be forgotten and that Pompeii would live on through our story writing.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

At Wray Common we passionately value education, excellent attendance and punctuality, so that the children benefit from everything our school has to offer. The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013, which came into effect on 1st September 2013, states that head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. The guidance from Surrey County Council states that if a parent/carer takes their child out of school e.g. on holiday or other unauthorised leave of absence, for 5 days (10 sessions) or more, without the authority of the head teacher, each parent/carer will be liable to receive a penalty notice for each child who is absent. We would like to remind you that penalty notices will be issued for 5 or more days unauthorised leave of absence. The amount payable on issue of a penalty notice is £60 (issued to each parent/carer, for each child) if paid within 21 days. These will then increase to £120 after 21 days but within 28 days. After 28 days, the LA may prosecute under Section 444 Education Act 1996.



CHOIR SING CAROLS AT ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Well done to our Wray Common Choir for giving such a wonderful performance of songs during the Christmas Fayre at St. Matthew's Church, Redhill last Saturday. We would like to thank Miss Venables for rehearsing the children and organising this event and to Mrs Walker for supporting them. The Choir is now well tuned and ready for their next performance—catch them at the Wray Common Christmas Fayre on Friday 7th December.



CLARIFICATION OF ADMINISTERING MEDICATION

We would like to remind you of our medical procedures at Wray Common with regards to the administration of medicines in school. Wray Common has always been keen to support parents/carers with their children's medical needs and so, therefore, we want to emphasise that a mild painkiller will only be given to a child in exceptional circumstances, e.g. returning to school with a broken limb. A medication request form must be completed (available at the school office) before the medicine is left. We will continue to dispense prescribed medication, but would ask that you give your child their morning and afternoon dose to minimise the times that children have to come to the office.



RANGERS REPORT



Rangers have been making their very own play-dough and then using it to make lots of fun creations!

For your information, on Friday 7th December, due to the Christmas Fair, Dusk Rangers will take place in the Music Room (by the pool) where we will be enjoying a cosy movie night with some delicious popcorn.



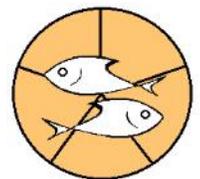
CLUBS FOR NEXT TERM

A letter regarding clubs for the Spring Term will be sent home next week via email. Please look out for it, have a read through it with your child to decide which club/clubs they would like to attend and then fill in the preference form and return it to the school office by Monday 10th December. Once clubs have been allocated, you will be informed, again via email, with a permission letter attached to be completed and returned with payment at the beginning of next term.



A HELPING HAND THIS CHRISTMAS

Wray Common will be supporting St. Matthew's Church Food Bank this Christmas. On Monday next week, Father Andrew from St. Matthew's Church, will be coming in to school to talk to the children about the Food Bank and will be explaining to the children how they can help out this Christmas. It will involve the children making donations in boxes, so if you have any suitable boxes (shoe box size or slightly larger) that could be decorated by the children and then filled with donations, please bring them to the school office. They will need to be decorated, so if you have any spare wrapping paper that the children could use to decorate the boxes, please would you also leave this with the office. A list of suitable donation items for the Food Bank will be sent home after the assembly next week.



DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

Fri 7th Dec Nasal flu Immunisations for Year 5
(during school time)
Fayre Mufti Day—please bring cakes plus
other items
Friends Christmas Fayre
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.



INDOOR ATHLETICS AT DUNOTTAR

On Monday 26th November, Wray Common competed in an Indoor Athletic competition at Dunottar School. We walked up to the school with Mrs Edwardes and Mrs Saunders. Many activities were set up including: long jump, vertical jump, standing long jump and even a Parlauf event! The team performed exceptionally well all the way through and we should be very proud of ourselves!



COSY READING CORNER THANK YOU

In response to last week's newsletter request for contributions towards Mr Burgess' comfy, cosy reading corner, we would like to thank all those who were able to make offers.

Thank you for your amazing offers because the School is now a proud owner of faux-leather bean bags—this is just the beginning of our new book corner!



SPARKFISH CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Bringing the Christmas Story Alive!

Yesterday, our Year 2 children went on a 'Christmas Journey' as they visited Redhill Methodist Church.

Talking animals, eating bread, singing and a craft activity were just some of the events that the children enjoyed.

It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience the Christmas story through story telling, characterisation and celebration.



GREENSAND VACANCY Holmesdale Infant School Job Vacancy—Caretaker

We are looking for a friendly and conscientious caretaker to join our infant school team. This is a permanent position for 40 hours a week, Monday to Friday from 7am to 4pm, with 1 hour unpaid for lunch. For more information please follow the link below to the eteach website or call our school office on 01737 243678.

<https://www.eteach.com/job/caretaker-1016163?lang=en-GB&frmsrh=Y>

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Welcare would like to share with you their Spring Programme that will be running from Monday 7th January to Friday 29th March 2019. Please [click here](#) for further information.

For details of Redhill's Toy Library, for parents of children under 5 years, that Welcare organise, please [click here](#) for all the necessary details to register and use the library.

WRAY COMMON CHRISTMAS FAYRE FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER 5:00 - 6:30 P.M.

Thank you so much for all of your contributions this morning for the Christmas Fair. Don't forget that next Friday is the big day, so in exchange for wearing mufti clothes, we are asking for donations of cakes as well as chocolate, books and bottles. Please bring your donations to the covered area by Main Reception at school drop-off time. If you can give the Friends an hour of your time, please contact Sophie Swann on 07802 584173 or leave your name with the school office. Thank you.



HONOUR BOOK



1S	Charlie	For applying his newly learnt phase 3 sounds in his writing.
	Monty	For using 'up scaled' adjectives in his <i>fierce snake</i> story.
	Ava	For writing interesting facts about the Nile crocodile using sentence starters and key vocabulary.
1V6	Poppy	Absolutely brilliant story telling in class - great language used.
	Jemima	Absolutely brilliant story telling in class - great language used.
	Samuel	For great effort in Maths using key language to explain.
	Sienna	For brilliant effort when using her phonics sound mat to write. Keep it up!
1W	Henry	Wow, Henry! A great link made in Maths for doubling and halving when solving a problem.
	George	For using an imaginative ending in his writing about a <i>sneaky snake</i> .
	Josea	For remembering lots of interesting facts about the Nile crocodile in her non-fiction writing.
2C	Elliott	For remembering lots of interesting facts about the Nile crocodile in his non-fiction writing.
	Meghan	For a super description of how a castle can be sieged.
2E	Katie	For a super re-telling of the Christmas Story.
	Naqiyah	For an enthusiasm for learning and school life in general.
	Jack	For showing a dedicated attitude to his learning and always using his CAPTURE skills.
3F	Lucas A	For amazing computing - being able to copy and paste a picture and add a caption.
	Sadie	For having confidence in her story-telling.
3LS	Haroon	For his detailed research on hurricanes to use in his non-chronological report.
	George	For a fantastic non-chronological paragraph about the famous earthquake in Japan.
3R	Holly	For a fantastic non-chronological paragraph about the famous earthquake in Japan.
	Eden	For being 'on fire' with her Maths. Great effort and brilliant linking between division and multiplication.
	Edward	For being 'on fire' with his Maths. Great effort and brilliant linking between division and multiplication.
4E	Brett	For a fantastic Brain Build - you went above and beyond, researching not just 1, but 3 different natural phenomena.
	Miley	For having a fantastic learning attitude in her Maths lessons.
	Oriel	For great perseverance in maths problem solving and not giving up.
4M	Jasmine	For using her times tables facts to help her solve division problems.
	Ellie-Mae	For writing an engaging and informative text about the journey of electricity.
5B	Sasha	For some fabulous ENPs in her 'Wind in the Willows' extract.
	Hugh	For some fabulous paired work in Maths when working with Henry to solve their tricky problem solving challenge.
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5TE	Harrison	For hard work and determination to make progress with multiplication.
	Abeerah	For hard work and determination to make progress with multiplication.
	Phoebe B	For using high quality vocabulary and relative clauses in her 'Wind in the Willows' writing.
	Justin	For using high quality vocabulary and relative clauses in his 'Wind in the Willows' writing.
6B	Kuba	Some very thoughtful language in his free write. Quote, 'The only way you can fail is by giving up.'
	Aamir	Fantastic observation during his Science lesson on reflective light.
	Karenza	For collaborating and persevering to complete a functional periscope in 6B's light manipulation lesson.
6Br	Maisie	For collaborating and persevering to complete a functional periscope in 6B's light manipulation lesson.
	Charlie	For his amazing use of figurative language in his 'German in the Woods' final draft.
	Noah	For coming up with a new way of creating and using a bar model which the whole class then used.
6R	Emily	For super use of figurative language for creating atmosphere in her WW2 recount.
	Liam	For being one step ahead in his Maths using common multiples to add and subtract fractions.
	Jamie S	For his beautiful 'German in the Woods' recount - you were right to be so proud of your writing!
	Oscar	For continuing his hard work in Maths and using his problem solving skills throughout the week.

Well Done!