

Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning

WE LOVE READING!

In the wake of the Book Fair and our reading event in aid of Comic Relief, we wanted to share with you some exciting news of a Book Competition for the children at Wray Common. You have the chance to win 1 of 3 specially chosen books that are not currently available in our libraries. All you have to do to be in with a chance of winning, is READ. If you read 4 or more times in a week, your teacher will give you a special raffle ticket. That raffle ticket can be taken to the school library and placed in the envelope of the book you would like to win. The more times you read, the more chances you get to enter. The competition will run over the next 4 weeks, with the winners drawn on Friday 13th December during our Celebration Assembly. So, on your marks, get setREAD!



KS1 books available to win.



KS2 books available to win.

You may be interested to know the results of the teacher reading competition that was held last week in aid of Children In Need. Once all of the money had been added up, the clear winners were Mrs Ellis (KS2) with *The Chronicles of Harris Burdick* and Mr Savedra (KS1) with *Sir Charlie Stinky Socks and the Tale of the Wizards Whisper*.

Through your very generous donations, we have raised in excess of **£760!** A massive thank you to you all!



WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS! (A football report by Lara's dad)

"The Wray Common team played brilliantly at the Year 3/4 Girls District Schools Football Tournament this week! They won all six matches and kept a clean sheet throughout, winning the tournament in a nail-biting final match against Reigate Parish (2-0). Under Miss Williams' careful guidance, they played like an experienced team from their very first game which saw a comfortable 4-0 win over Furze field, with Cleo scoring a hat-trick. A 7-0 victory over Meath Green followed, with Lara scoring 4 and Cleo the rest. The other games were tighter battles, but Wray Common kept their heads throughout. They played a positive, attacking game, passing the ball around the pitch well and always pressing forwards, whilst managing to keep a defensive presence, always in the right place when needed. Philippa, Caitlin, Phoebe and Amira shared the responsibilities of defence and did a great job. Our goalkeepers (Caitlin & Philippa) didn't have much to do thanks to the heroics up front, but when the opposition got the chance to shoot, our goalies were rock solid and didn't make a single mistake. Midfield was where this tournament was won though, and Lexi and Cleo were dynamos, always tackling hard and winning the ball back at every opportunity. Even against the professional-looking giants of Reigate Parish, our team weren't afraid to get stuck in, with Lexi particularly showing tenacity, perseverance and grit. Some great battles were played out in midfield with Wray Common always coming out on top; regaining possession then firing the ball forward to Lara "Fox in the Box" who was always quick to pounce on the pass and loose off a quick shot. Cleo played a blinder running the right wing and scored several brilliant goals, often at critical moments. Overall it was a fantastic team performance and, when they lifted the trophy, the smiles on the girls' faces showed how very proud they were, and rightly so."

A big thank you from us to Miss Williams and Mrs Gould for accompanying the team and to Mr Fox for this fantastic report!



EXPERTS CAPTURE LEARNING

At Wray Common - through using the CAPTURE toolkit - we help children to become 'Expert Learners'. The aim is that children will become active participants when learning, using the toolkit below to develop skills that are transferrable across all subjects and can be used throughout their lives.



COLLABORATE Children learn to work together, build on what each other has said, work in pairs or groups to negotiate, compromise and develop ideas further. This helps them contribute in class more effectively.

ASK Children are taught to be curious and ask creative questions about what they are learning. This helps with their engagement in lessons and their understanding of key concepts.

PERSEVERE Children are committed to being successful learners and are able to find and try new strategies to solve problems. This helps them build their learning resilience.

THINK Children develop their ability to make connections between learning, spot patterns and compare, contrast and evaluate their work. This helps them to consider the right course of action in any lesson.

USE Children are able to use and select strategies and resources appropriate to the context. This helps them become more independent and effective learners.

REFLECT Children can identify successes, act on feedback and develop their own goals and targets. This helps them to seek further challenges and become more successful learners.

EXPLORE Children have opportunities to investigate, take risks and thrive on challenges. This helps them to become better solution seekers when faced with problems.

WHY NOT BE ASTEROID THE ALIEN AND ASK (THIS HALF TERM'S FOCUS) YOUR CHILDREN WHICH CAPTURE SKILLS THEY HAVE BEEN USING TODAY?

CHOIR TO SING AT ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Tomorrow, 32 members of our school choir will be performing at the St. Matthew's Church Christmas Fayre, Redhill. They will be singing some songs from their Christmas repertoire as well as some old favourites. If you fancy a bit of Christmas shopping, while being entertained by our excellent choir, please come along. The Christmas Fayre is on between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. with our choir performing at 11:30 a.m.

A STARTER FOR 10...

Last Friday two Year 5 pupils (Ben and Henry) and two Year 6 pupils (Josh and Sophia) and Miss McCutcheon went to Cranleigh Prep School to compete in the Science Quiz club heats. When we arrived, we found we were up against eight independent schools. After the first round Wray Common were in the lead! Throughout the competition we remained towards the top of the leader board. In the end, we finished in second place with a score of 1650! We are waiting to find out if our score is high enough to send us through to the final in London... Massive congratulations and thanks for all the hard work put in by Ben, Henry, Josh and Sophia!



FRIENDS CHRISTMAS FAYRE REMINDERS

Thank you to all that have donated so generously this morning to the bottle tombola, it is much appreciated. Please be reminded though that there are a further two MUFTI days coming up:

Friday 29th November: wear your own top and school uniform bottoms, in exchange for chocolates and sweets in jars.

Friday 6th December: Full Mufti day in exchange for cakes.

Thank you for your ongoing support, without it these events simply could not happen.



AMAZING WRITING

Here is a piece of brilliant writing from Lucas in 6E based on a personal recount from a WW2 soldier.

Motionless I waited, leaning back against a fallen tree. As quiet as a mouse, I waited. Gun clutched against my chest, I heard something. A rustle of leaves. A rustle of leaves like a fox running through the woods. Across the opening a glint of light caught my eye. Through the veil of mist, I could just about see an obscured figure, wearing the all too familiar uniform of a German soldier. Then something else caught my eye. Along the ribbon of moonlight, a German soldier was crawling through the blanket of snow, elbows ploughing their way through the soft, white snow. As a Luftwaffe whizzed overhead, I saw his fair-skinned face, blue eyes and combed blonde hair. It changed nothing. He was a German. Suddenly everything seemed to be alive. The trees gnarled fingers were twitching, the wind laughing in my ears. My eyes were darting left and right, my breaths became irregular - deep breaths in and shallow pants out. I knew I would have to do it. That's when it happened. I ignored everything. The wind. The snow. The cold. The fear. Everything froze but me and him. When he was about a metre away from me, I bolted up right, gun loaded and screamed at him to surrender.

My heart was pounding, blood rushing through my veins. A wave of surprise hit me. The German soldier wasn't surrendering but pulling out his gun instead. I had no choice. My finger squeezed the trigger. What was a split second felt like an eternity. I watched the bullet.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH

WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE THE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH ON THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER?

If your child usually has a packed lunch on a Thursday, but would like to have the school Christmas Lunch, please return your order form, with payment, to the School Office by Friday 29th November (forms are available to collect from the school office).

If your child usually has a school dinner on a Thursday, you do not need to do anything; they will automatically have the Christmas lunch.



YEAR 2 MULTI-SKILLS



Last Friday, some pupils from Year 2 took part in an inter-schools competition at St Bede's School. Games during the morning included: build the scarecrow, under and over, froggie jump and a relay. Our pupils collaborated wonderfully and demonstrated great skill to go on and win the competition. "I loved the relay race, we had to pass the baton to each other which was very tricky but we did really well and didn't drop it, we were very proud of ourselves!" Annabel. Well done all those that took part, Miss Williams said you were all a credit to Wray Common!

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

- Wed 27th 7:30 a.m. Year 5 to be in school, ready for an 8 a.m. departure to Aylmerton
Flu immunisations - Years R, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6
- Thu 28th Year 2 Sparkfish Christmas Journey at Redhill Methodist Church (please remember to return your forms)
- Fri 29th MUFTI tops in return for chocolate and sweet donations for the School Christmas Fair
5 p.m Year 5 due to return from Aylmerton (please look out for updates on the website if this is likely to change)

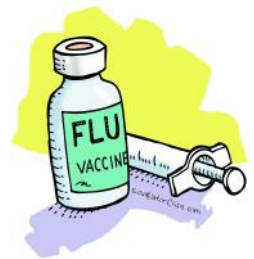
COMMUNITY MATTERS

- The Annual YMCA Santa Run will take place this year on Sunday 8th December 2019. For further details, please click [here](#).
- The latest version of "Families Surrey East" magazine, is now available to view online. Please click [here](#) to find out what is going on in our area over the festive season.
- The R&Be Active team are running a special one off Christmas LEGO activity at the Harlequin Theatre in Redhill on Monday 23 December. For further information and to book your place, please click [here](#).



FINAL CALL FOR FLU IMMUNISATION

The Immunisation Team will be in school on Wednesday 27th November to administer the nasal flu vaccination for our Reception, Year 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 classes. They will then be in again on Tuesday 17th December for our Year 5 classes. If you are yet to complete your e-consent form, please click [here](#) for further information on how to do so now. If you experience any problems accessing this new system, please call the Immunisation Team on: 01737 775467 where there will be someone on hand to help you.



MARVELLOUS ME

Marvellous Me are delighted to announce the launch of their revamped Parent app. This upgrade gives a 30-day News Centre (the number one feature parents have been asking for!) as well as fixing notification bugs and other improvements.

To benefit from this new upgrade, it is **essential** that you please follow the below:

1. Check your device is running the latest operating software.
2. Update the MarvellousMe app via the App Store or Google Play.
 - To do this, type 'MarvellousMe' into the search bar, click on the 'MarvellousMe for Parents' icon and select 'update'.
 - Your phone may have already updated MarvellousMe automatically in which case it will just have an 'open' button.
3. Open the MarvellousMe Parent app then:
 - Tap 'Settings'
 - Toggle the 'Get device notifications', then switch off and back on again. Even if it shows as 'On', **you must switch it 'Off' and 'On' once. This step is particularly important** to ensure you receive MarvellousMe notifications going forward and benefit from the upgrade.

Please click [here](#) for a step-by-step guide and look out for class messages coming from your child's teacher soon!



More Football Success!



This time for the boys versus Lime Tree School, with Wray Common winning 4-0! "Teamwork was key in our win against Lime Tree, who did show threat, only for our defenders to do an excellent job in stopping them. Early in the game our nervous looks were banished when Imman fired in two goals, one of which was just in the box. Lime tree hit the post when they took a penalty but a very encouraging first half had just been played. Our faithful supporters cheered us on in the second half, where everyone played their part in defending during long spells. But did they score? No! We're Wray Common and we pushed through using our values and we all passed to our teammates in difficult times. Great teamwork from our midfielders, James M, Luca and Justin led to our third goal, a first for George W. After some great saves from Kylan our keeper and disciplined defending from Jake B, William O and Alfie, we secured the win with George W's second goal, a quick fire counter. Further chances from Ben F and myself were unlucky not to score but all was forgotten when the whistle went in our deserved win!" James L
Well done boys and thank you to Mr Burgess for stepping in and refereeing the match yesterday after school.