

Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning

ANOTHER BUSY WEEK!



WALKING LIKE AN EGYPTIAN

Year 4 had a wonderful Egyptian day on Monday! They got stuck into designing and making their own death masks throughout the morning, followed by an exciting catwalk show after lunch to show off their fantastic costumes, walking "like an Egyptian!" This was followed by the highly anticipated Egyptian banquet where the children enjoyed trying foods grown in Egypt, including radishes, dates, figs, prunes and pomegranates. The children were incredibly excited throughout the day and really demonstrated just how much they have learned over our topic so far, designing death masks fit for the wealthiest of Pharaohs. We would like to say a big thank you for your support in helping the Year 4 children come dressed in wonderful costumes - this really helped them to get in the spirit of the day and they all looked fantastic!



YEAR 3 FOSSIL HUNTERS

Our Year 3 children assumed the roles of palaeontologists this week as they were visited by a real life fossil hunter called Daniel. The children were given lots of different boxes containing sand and fossils of three different types of animals; carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. They then used brushes to brush away the sand to discover the fossils that lay beneath. The children were provided with fact sheets to help them with their research and once they had discovered which animal they had uncovered, they reported back their findings. We were blown away by their knowledge of herbivores, carnivores and omnivores! Great exploring Year 3!



YEAR 6 VICTORIAN BAKERS

Year 6 also stepped back in time this week to explore Victorian recipes. For their home learning the children had to research some of the tasty treats baked by the Victorians and have a go at baking them for their families (it was not an easy task to mark as the teachers had rumbling tummies and were drooling at what was produced). Well done Year 6; all these baked goods look delicious.



Charlie, 6E



James M, 6E



Chloe, 6C



James L, 6C



Jacob, 6C



Marina, 6E



Benito, 6E



Jasmine, 6C

CAN WE HELP?

Recent events have had a hugely detrimental effect on the financial circumstances of many families. If this applies to you, your child/children may now be eligible for free school meals.

To enable us to check your eligibility, please complete the FSM/Pupil Premium form which you'll find on the [School Lunches page](#) on our website (if you look on the back of the form, it confirms the criteria for eligibility but, if you're unsure, complete the form anyway).

Email the form to info@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk and we'll do the rest. Once your eligibility is confirmed, it's then safeguarded until at least March 2023 regardless of any changes in your financial circumstances.

Please be assured that this whole process is completely confidential.



HONOUR BOOK

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| 1P | Ben | For excellent attitude towards his writing this week. Ben created a fantastic comparative sentence between The Baboon on the Moon and Bob on the Moon! |
| 1W | Lillie | Always being the first child to complete her handwriting task each morning. What a super role model! |
| 2B | Aspen | Always having thoughtful answers to each question. |
| 2S | Suleiman | For being super focused all week. You have shown a great attitude towards your learning. |
| 3B | Eesa | For a fantastic effort with his Maths this week - you are really nailing subtraction! |
| 3F | Thomaz | For great focus when writing his instructions on how to trap a mammoth. He even completed the challenges I had set in the lesson! |
| 3R | Harry W | For really impressing me with his perseverance when learning how to use column addition in maths. |
| 4F | Grace, Tom, Zainab and Catherine | For settling into life at Wray Common so well and showing an enthusiasm for learning! It is great to have you all in my class! |
| 4P | Amira | For designing and making a fantastic death mask on our Egyptian day. She really paid attention to detail and worked hard to improve her design as she went. Well done - it looks fantastic! |
| 5B | Amira | For a great attitude to all her learning and making links between our class reader "Who let the Gods out" and our writing of the Medusa Myth. |
| 5G | Haris | For his continued hard work and enthusiasm in his Spanish lessons! |
| 5SE | Sam | For greater depth thinking in Maths this week, rising to challenges set and even creating challenges of his own. |
| 6C | Michael Jack | For super perseverance, revisiting and cracking long division and multiplication. Well done Michael! (From Mr Burgess) for showing great initiative in his role as Digital leader: creating a sign out sheet for the laptop trolleys so we can track them if they are not replaced. |
| 6E | Ben P | For his great interpretation and analysis of the poem "The Highwayman", identifying the figurative language and empathising with the characters. |
| | Gracie | Well done Gracie for applying your CAPTURE skills to help you with your multiplication and division problem solving questions. |



Well Done!

SWIMMING AT WRAY COMMON



One of the guarantees we offer here at Wray Common School is to help the children learn to swim beyond national expectations and develop life-saving skills.

In our current situation we have a risk assessed strategy to ensure we can continue with this vital part of the curriculum safely. I understand that you may be worried, but can assure you that the methods we use have made this as safe as possible.

Swimming is part of the curriculum, similar to Maths and English. As such we would need a doctor's letter for a child to be taken out of swimming due to medical reasons. Your doctor will happily do this, if necessary, but they are also very aware of the importance of safety in water and the benefits of good structured swimming lessons.

Can we also ask that your child comes to school on swimming days with the correct kit, including a swimming hat.

HOME LEARNING CONTINGENCY PLAN

So that we are ready to go should the need arise for a further period of learning from home, we have put together a Home Learning Contingency Plan. Whilst it is not possible to plan for every eventuality in this changing landscape, we hope that the document sent out with this newsletter gives some clarity of what will happen.

A PLEA FROM RECEPTION

If you have any spare pants, socks and tights, please bring them to the school office. Thank you.



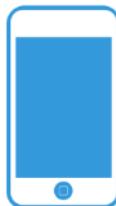
HEALTH AND WELLBEING

- Surrey County Council have published a helpful guide in partnership with the NHS on the subject of Health, Wellbeing and Emotional Wellbeing Support for Children in Surrey. It outlines specialists support services that all families can access including their contact numbers and website links. Please [click on this link](#) to access the guide or go to the Community Matters page of the Wray Common Primary School website.



TELEPHONE CALLS

Please note that phone calls received from Wray Common may show up on your phone as being made from one of the following three numbers:-
01737 761254 01737 763911 01737 789752



When making calls to Wray Common, however, please call using **01737 761254** only.

CHILDHOOD FLU IMMUNISATIONS

Please remember to reply to the Children and Family Health Services letter regarding the nasal flu immunisations in school on Friday 16th October. Complete the e-consent form for your child's flu vaccination at: www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk (Wray Common School's unique code/URN number is **SR145226** which you will need to enter on to the flu consent form).

Please complete the e-consent form by **2pm on Weds 14th October 2020 when the website portal will close.** This allows time for our nurses to review and contact parents if there are any concerns, prior to the session.



SCOPAY



We invite all parents and carers to download the Scopay App. It is quick and very easy to navigate. The App logo can be downloaded to your phone and will look like the below: It will enable you to pay for school trips, school dinners and book parents evening appointments on the go!

If you have additional children at other schools you can manage them all on the one App and see balances at a glance. Many parents/carers have commented on how much easier the App system is. If you do not have a Scopay account, please ring/email the Office for a link code.



FRIENDS HALLOWEEN EVENTS



Friday 23rd October - Fun Halloween Fancy Dress Day at school

Saturday 24th October until Saturday 31st October - Spooky Halloween Pumpkin Trails

Please make your purchases online and note that treat boxes must be purchased by **Friday 16th October**
<http://bit.ly/fwcpumpkins>

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

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| Mon 12 th | Missed parent evenings catch up day |
| Tue 13 th | Year 6 Victorian Day |
| Wed 14 th | Year 5 hockey club |
| Fri 16 th | Flu vaccinations for children in school
Year 6 hockey club |

LOOKING AHEAD

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| Tue 20 th | Year 2 historical figure dress up day |
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