



### *Headteacher's Message*

This weekend we are sending home a poppy for children to write on the front the name of someone in your family who they would like to remember. If your child would like to take part, please send the poppy into school before Tuesday 8th November.

The poppies will form part of our Children's Remembrance Service which is taking place on Friday 10th November at 10.45am at school. We will be holding a one minute silence at 11am.

I would also like to take the opportunity to welcome Mrs Gabbott to our Teaching Assistant team. Mrs Gabbott joins us on Monday and we would like to wish her all the very best in her new role.

Finally, we have extended the half term reading challenge to Friday 10th November. If your child would like to take part in the challenge, please send in a photo of your child reading in an unusual place before this date.

*Have a safe and enjoyable Bonfire weekend!*

*Mrs Cawson, Headteacher*

### *Signs of Autumn*

The yellow leaves fall off the trees

The squirrels bury their nuts in a hole

A hedgehog sleeps in the damp wet leaves

Conkers fall off the trees and lose their shine

In Autumn it is cold and sometimes sunny

*A beautiful poem written by Emily Sharrard on Autumn Day.*



### *Newsletter*

Our next edition will be issued on **17th November**. Copies of our newsletter can be found on our website: [www.walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk) or in the school reception area.

### *Signs of Autumn*

The foliage starts to die

The squirrels store their nuts

The hedgehogs hide under the ground

The leaves turn red, orange, yellow and brown

The days get shorter

The tractors harvest the fruit and vegetables

It gets cold.

*A beautiful poem written by Libby Smith on Autumn Day.*



### *Remembrance*

We will be selling Poppies and other Remembrance accessories every morning in the playground from 8.30am through to 10th November.

Please let Mrs Thorn know in the school office if you are able to help selling poppies, even if it is only for one morning, it will make a difference. Thank you.

### *School Lunches*

Week commencing 6th November we will be on **Week 2** of the new dinner menu.

### *Recorders—Year Two*

Year Two recorder lessons started this week. If your child is bringing a recorder in from home and they have not brought it into school yet, please could you ensure that it is brought to school on Monday. Thank you.

### *Cauliflower Cards*

Just to remind you that if you wish to place an order for Cauliflower Cards please could you bring the artwork, order form and the correct payment to school before the end of the school day on Monday 6th November. Thank you.

### *Cold Weather*

Now that the weather has turned colder, please can you ensure that your child comes to school with a warm coat that has a hood everyday. Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly named with your child's name.

### *Craft Club*

A letter will be sent home on Tuesday 7th November regarding Christmas Craft Club which is being held on Tuesday 5th December. Tickets cost £6.

It is open to all year groups but there is a limited number of spaces, so please return the form quickly if your child wishes to attend.

### *Year R and Year 3—September 2018*

Please can Year Two parents note that we will shortly be sending a letter home regarding applying for a Junior School place for September 2018 as the application system has now opened. You will need to complete this process even if your child is going to Walsh Junior School as allocation of a junior school place is not automatic.

If you are applying for a Year R space for a younger sibling, please ensure that you tick the sibling box, even if your older child is going to Walsh Junior School next September, as siblings are given priority.

### *Year One Trip to the Fast Museum*

A trip to the Fast Museum has been booked for 9th November.

Please ensure that your child wears a warm coat, gloves and a hat to school on this day as it does get very cold at the museum.

If you have not ordered a packed lunch for your child, please send your child in with one on the day. Please ensure that it does not include nuts of any kind, chocolate or chocolate products, sweets or fizzy drinks.

### *AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS*

#### *Chelsea Football Club (External provider)*

Fee paying club—club full. Block 2 runs on 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th November and 4th December.

#### *C&S Multi Sports (External Provider)*

Fee paying club with team games and sports. Spaces are available and forms can be found in reception. Every week from Wednesday until Wednesday 29th November. The club runs from 3-4pm.

#### *Year One Sports Club (free by year group invitation)*

Mrs Brett's Sports Club will start up for Year Two after half term on Thursdays from 3-4pm on 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th November.

#### *Puzzle Club (free by class invitation)*

Emerald Class Puzzle Club—8th and 22nd November and 6th December. Please note that there will be no Puzzle Club on 15th or 29th November.

This club is on class rotation for Year One and Two.

#### *Choir Club*

Choir Club for Year One and Year Two starts on Tuesday 7th November and will run up to and including 5th December from 3.00-3.45pm.

If you have returned your child's form you will automatically be allocated a place until the end of the summer term, however, please let us know if your child no longer wishes to attend.

#### *Parent Interviews*

Just to remind you that our Parent Interviews are on Monday 6th November and Wednesday 15th November.

If you have booked a slot for either session and you are now unable to attend, please let the school office know on [info@walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk).

If you have not yet booked a slot, we are no longer taking bookings for 6th November, however, there may be some slots available with your child's class teacher on 15th November. Please speak to the school office if you would like to book an appointment.

## Firework Top Ten Safety Code for Adults

Young people should watch and enjoy fireworks at a safe distance and follow the safety rules for using sparklers. Only adults should deal with firework displays and the lighting of fireworks. They should also take care to safely dispose of fireworks once they have been used.

- Plan your firework display to make it safe and enjoyable.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box and use them one at a time.
- Read and follow the instructions on each firework using a torch if necessary.
- Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back.
- Keep naked flames, including cigarettes, away from fireworks.
- Never return to a firework once it has been lit.
- Do not put fireworks in pockets and never throw them.
- Direct any rocket fireworks well away from spectators.
- Never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire.
- Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings are made safe

**Teach your child to 'DROP and ROLL' in the event that their clothing catches fire.**

Fireworks Safety Poster to share with your children



Have a safe  
and enjoyable  
Bonfire Night!

Supporting your child at home



# *Walsh Memorial Infant School Christmas Shopping Evening*

*Thursday 16th November from 6.00-8.30pm*

*We will have on offer a wide variety of stalls including:*

- Christmas decorations*
  - Jewellery stores*
    - Books*
    - Stocking fillers*
  - Beauty products and treatments*
  - Crafts, cards and wrapping paper*
- Plus many, many more!*

*Come and join the fun! Everyone is welcome - bring family, friends and neighbours. Get ahead of the game and kick-start your Christmas Shopping!*

*There will be a craft table to keep children entertained so parents can shop in peace!*

*If you are interested in hosting a table please email*

*[walshinfantspta@gmail.com](mailto:walshinfantspta@gmail.com)*



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# Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
<b>Autumn Term 2</b>		
3rd November	Year Two Cake Sale	3.00pm
6th November	Parent Interviews—Early slots	
9th November	Year One trip to the Fast Museum	
15th November	Parent Interviews—Late slots	
16th November	PTA Christmas Shopping Evening	6-8.30pm
21st November	English Open Morning (more information to follow, all year groups)	9-10am
21st November	Visiting Theatre in school (children only)	
1st December	PTA Christmas Movie Night (please note date change. More details to follow)	5pm
5th December	Christmas Craft Club (more details to follow)	3pm
11th December	Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal (Grandparents only—more information to follow)	9.15am
12th December	Christmas Production for parents with pre-school children (more information will follow)	9.15am
13th December	Christmas Production—adults only (more information will follow)	9.15am
14th December	Christmas Production followed by Raffle—adults only (more information will follow)	1.30pm
18th December	Christmas Church Service (all year groups). More information to follow	2.00pm-3.00pm
20th December	School Christmas Dinner (details to follow)	
23rd January	Maths Open Morning (more information to follow, all year groups)	9-10am
21st December	End of Autumn Term (early close)	1.15pm
<b>Spring Term 1</b>		
4th January 2018	Start of the Autumn Term	8.45am
15th January	Deadline for receipt of reception and Year 3 applications for September 2018.	
24th April	Other Curriculum Subject Open Morning (more information to follow, all year groups)	9-10am

**2017/2018 Inset Days** (School closed to children)

04/06/2018, 23/07/2018

One further date to be determined.