

Walsh Memorial CE Infant School



Weekly Newsletter



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News

Book Club

Every year we run a book club at school and children can bring in pennies and save them to buy books at the Book Fayre in November. If you would like your child to save money to put towards some new books, please place the money in a sealed envelope with their name, class and 'book club' on the front and hand it in at the school office. We will then keep it safe until the Travelling Book Fayre in November where they will be able to spend their money.

Emerald Class Cake Sale

The Emerald Class Cake Sale has been scheduled for 25th September and the cakes will be sold at our Macmillan Coffee morning and after school. Please could parents and carers of children in Emerald class provide cakes on the day. Our cakes sales have always been very successful and the money we make helps us to purchase new equipment and resources for the children in that class.

Parent Helpers

Unfortunately a number of our parent helpers have now moved onto the Junior school with their children, so we would like to put out an appeal for more parents to come in and help us at school. This might be to help with the lending library, help on school trips, listen to readers or help with spelling tests.

Mrs Gilbert in particular needs some additional helpers and has a preference for afternoons.

If you have any spare time and would like to help out please pop into the school office and speak to Mrs Thorn. A DBS check will be required.

Milk Bottle Tops

We would be grateful for donations for milk bottle tops which will be donated to a charity. All tops must be 'milk only' in any colour but they must not include foil inserts or stickers. We will be donating them to a charity next term.

PTA News

All parents are invited to attend the PTA AGM on Wednesday 30th September at 7.30pm in the school hall. This is an official meeting where the committee members are elected. Every member of staff and all parents are automatically enrolled as a member of the PTA but a core group of committed parents are the driving force behind a very friendly and successful fundraising team.

If you would like to be nominated for the position of Chairperson, Secretary or Treasurer please write to Mrs Cawson stating your name and a short paragraph describing why you would be suitable for the position by 9.30am on Tuesday 29th September. These statements are then shared with the AGM meeting should a vote be necessary. Our Chairperson and our Secretary have now moved onto Junior School, so these positions are vacant.

Parental Guidance

Every week we will providing you with some useful tips and activities to help you support your child's learning at home. If you have a request for an article, or are interested in a particular aspect of school life, please pop in and see Mrs Thorn in the school office or email info@walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk.

This week we are going to give you an overview of the different stamps or stickers that you may see in your child's workbooks and what they mean.



Your child was supported by a Teaching Assistance whilst completing this work.



Your child read in a group.



Your child completed the piece of work without any assistance.



Your child's work was checked and marked by a Teaching Assistant.



Your child's homework has been seen by the Teacher.



Your child's tooth has fallen out today, please ask them to remember to put their Tooth Fairy envelope under their pillow!



Please ask your child why they were awarded the sticker!



Happy Birthday stickers – these are given to the children the Monday after their Birthday. If their Birthday falls during school holidays, the sticker would normally be given to them the week before.



Head Teacher's Award – these stickers are given to children who have made a significant achievement or improvement. Two awards are given out each week to each class. This is a sticker that a child should be very proud to achieve!



Dates for the Diary

Date	Event	Time
	Autumn Term 1	
18 th September	Year R group photo for the newspaper	
25 th September	New Family to School Collective Worship and Macmillan Coffee Morning	9.00am-10.00am
25 th September	Emerald Class Cake Sale	
30 th September	PTA AGM in the school hall	7.30pm
7 th October	Year One visit to Milestones Museum	9.00am-3.00pm
16 th October	Harvest Festival Assembly – more details to follow	
21 st October	Open Morning - English. More details to follow	
23 rd October	Last day of term	
	Autumn Term 2	
2 nd November	First day of Autumn Term 2	8.45am
2 nd November	School photos – more details to follow	
2 nd – 5 th November	Travelling Book Fair – more details to follow	
6 th November	Year Two visit to the Theatre in Woking – more details to follow	11.00am-3.00pm
26 th November	Pied Piper Theatre visiting the children	
3 rd December	Christmas Craft Club - more details to follow	3.00pm
8 th December	Christmas Production with Toddlers - more details to follow	
9 th December	Christmas Production - more details to follow	
10 th December	Christmas Production followed by PTA Raffle - more details to follow	
16 th December	Christmas Lunch – more details to follow	
16 th December	Christmas Service at St Peter's Church – more details to follow	
18 th December	Wear a Christmas Jumper for Save the Children – more details to follow	
18 th December	Last day of the autumn term	