

THIS WEEK

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

This week, Wray Common entered a Girls Football tournament at St Matthew's School. Selena wrote about their afternoon;

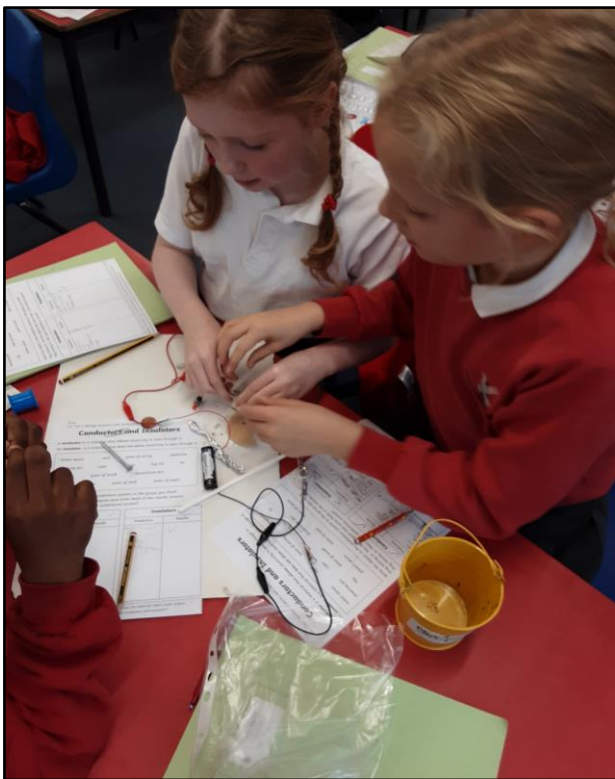
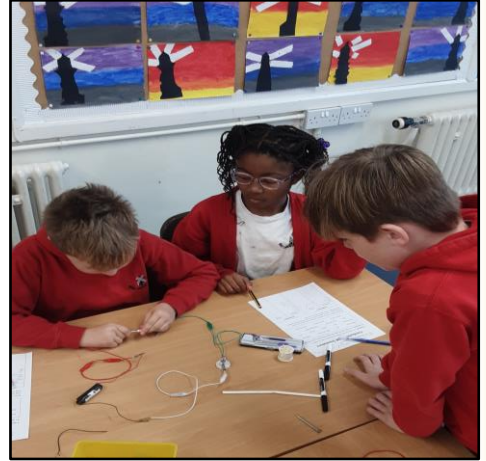
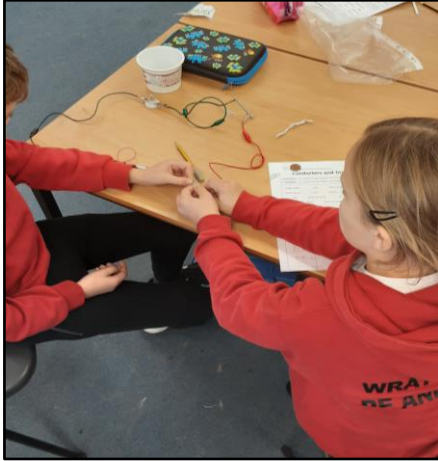
The year 6 girls football team walked to St Mathews on Monday the 18th to play in a tournament with 12 different schools^s competing. The 1st match we played well and the score ending up being 0-0. 2nd match we won 1-0 and then took a break. After our break was finished we sadly lost 2-0! We were devastated. The 4th and 5th match we drew again. We only played 5 matches. Even though we sadly didn't make the top 3 we had a really good time.

Well done to those who took part!



ELECTRICITY

This week, Year 4 have been exploring which materials make good insulators and conductors by adding various materials to a working circuit. We discovered that good conductors included a 1p coin, aluminium foil and a nail whereas good insulators included, plastic and wood. We discovered that wires are covered in plastic for safety reasons so that people can safely touch plugs and wires.



SWIM TO FRANCE

In their swimming lessons this week, the Year 6 and Year 2 children took part in the Wray Common 'Swim to France 2024'. Each child swam as many lengths as they could in their lesson time and the total distance swum was added together.

Year 6

Diamonds swam 7.092km or 4.4miles
Emeralds swam 9.888km or 6.14 miles
Rubies swam 6.780km or 4.2 miles
Sapphires swam 10.762km or 6.69miles

Year 2

Diamonds swam 2.41km or 1.5miles
Emeralds swam 3.83km or 2.38miles
Rubies swam 3.63km or 2.26miles
Sapphires swam 1.83km or 1.14miles

At the end of the year, when all children have completed their swimming lessons, and had a chance to 'swim to France', Miss Alice will tally up the total distance to see which house has swum the furthest.

Which house will we be able to swim the 21 miles (34km), which is the distance of swimming the English Channel from the UK to France this year?



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FOODBANK AT ST MATTHEW'S, REDHILL

At Wray Common, we aspire to be the best we can be by following the Wray Common Way.

A particularly important element of the Wray Common Way is being a Wray Common Citizen; this half term we are going to contribute to society once more by thinking about how we can give to those in need.



We are asking for donations to the Foodbank at St Matthew's, Redhill. Food is a basic need, yet there are people in the local area who are going hungry because they just don't have enough money to feed themselves and their families. This can happen for a number of reasons, and more easily than you may think - an unexpected bill, benefit delay, redundancy, bereavement, sudden illness, income too low to make ends meet and more. This is where the Foodbank at St Matthew's can help. They aim to provide local families and individuals with essential food supplies to keep them going until a longer term solution is found.

We are asking children to bring in donations between Monday 9th December and Wednesday 11th December. These are to be dropped off outside the school office on your child's way into school. Please select an item (or more than one item, should you wish) from the Standard Shopping List below, provided by St Matthew's Foodbank. Please note the following message from the Foodbank:

While we are very grateful for everyone's generosity, we are struggling to manage the number of non-standard items we have received. We therefore politely request that donors avoid giving items that aren't on our Standard Shopping List unless specifically requested by us.



If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to the School Office. Thank you in anticipation of your support and generosity.



Standard Shopping List

Tinned

- Meat meals
- Vegetarian meals
- Meat (ham, spam, hotdogs)
- Fish (tuna preferred)
- Baked beans
- Spaghetti (e.g. hoops in tomato sauce)
- Potatoes
- Peas
- Tomatoes
- Sweetcorn
- Carrots
- Fruit
- Rice pudding
- Custard

Soup

- Tomato
- Chicken
- Meat
- Vegetable

Sauces/oils

- Pasta sauce
- Cooking sauce
- Tomato ketchup
- Cooking oil (smaller bottles preferred)

Store cupboard

- Cereal
- Dried pasta and spaghetti
- Rice and instant rice
- Noodles (including Pot Noodles)
- Instant mash
- Packet meals ("just add water")
- Cup-a-soup
- Sugar

Drinks

- Long-life milk
- Teabags
- Instant coffee (smaller jars preferred)
- Squash
- Long-life juice (not fresh, please)

Preserves/spreads

- Jam
- Marmalade
- Honey
- Peanut butter

Treats

- Biscuits
- Chocolates/Sweets
- Crisps
- Chocolate spread
- Hot chocolate

Non-food

- Toilet roll
- Washing up liquid
- Laundry tablets (not liquid or powder)

We request that donors avoid giving items that aren't on this Standard Shopping List unless specifically requested by us. Specific requests will usually appear on our website at: www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list

Please no perishable food, out-of-date food, alcohol or medicines

Thank you for your support

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues - Y2 Sparkfish Journey AM

Tues - Y5/6 Football Tournament (invited children)

Wed - Fri - Y5 Aylmerton Residential

Fri - Non uniform day (Friends) in exchange for bottles

Fri - Boys football v Hatchlands



If you need any support, please do not hesitate to contact us. We can help you source information about support through the right agencies, and make referrals ourselves to local support groups. Here are some of the things we have supported families with recently:

- School uniform, school bags, P.E. trainers and school shoes
- Pre-loved clothes for children
- Foodbank referrals
- Housing applications and letters of support
- Seasonal gifts for children

If you have any questions or would like to talk about how we can help, please contact Miss Kober on 01737 761254 or email familysupport@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk



DANCE SUCCESS

A huge 'congratulations' to Lily in Year 5 and Thea in Year 4 at their dance competition at Camber Sands last weekend. Both girls scored Highly with the judges in their individual dances, as well as winning 1st place for their duo together.

Both Lily and Thea shared their success and trophies in Celebration Assembly this week.



HONOUR BOOK

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| 1EL | Iqra | For listening and using feedback particularly in PE to improve her yoga poses. |
| 1B | Ruby H | For an excellent attitude to her maths learning - using a range of methods to add and subtract independently. |
| 2T | Arlo | For applying the column method to calculate addition and subtraction problems in an independent maths task. |
| 2P | Willow | For her perseverance in finishing her maths booklets. |
| 3S | Zach | For showing good compromising skills during a conflict over what game to play. |
| 3F | Jake | For his excellent contributions to all lessons and being a supportive learning partner. |
| 4BR | Sienna | For excellent focus this week during maths and using resources effectively to support her learning. |
| 4BE | Chris | For actively reflecting on his learning from year 3 to support his current learning. |
| 5E | Fraser | For his reflective attitude in maths taking his time to check his workings using different strategies. |
| 5J | James | For reflecting brilliantly on how we could make our science investigation a fairer test. |
| 6C | Sybi | For excellent contributions during our maths lessons and a fantastic piece of geography fieldwork homework, which the class enjoyed watching. |
| 6F | Tanner | For showing good friendship to his learning partner this week to make sure they were confident in completing their work. |

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

TEACHING CYCLE SAFETY

Cycling is an amazing way to spend quality time together as a family, as well as keeping everyone healthy and active – and it's an excellent exercise, whatever the age of your children. Getting started can sometimes be daunting, and there are obvious safety concerns over youngsters who are still getting used to a bike – so follow our top tips to help you ride with confidence.

1 CONSIDER CYCLE TRAINING

Courses like Bikeability are extremely useful, and training in general has come a long way since cycling proficiency began; there are Bikeability courses for adults, too. Cycle training teaches invaluable skills (such as good road positioning, signaling and visibility), and can help both parents and children feel more at ease on busy streets.

2 USE A SUITABLE BIKE

Find a bike of an appropriate size for its rider and resist the temptation to have children 'grow into' theirs by buying one too large for them. A bigger bike will be heavier and more difficult to control, making accidents more likely and potentially putting youngsters off cycling forever. If your child has any specific physical needs, or has dyspraxia, then try out a trike, handcycle or other adaptive cycle to see what works best.

3 TRY A CARGO BIKE

Cargo bikes, particularly the box-bike style, are ideal for transporting small children around. Depending on the type of bike chosen – as well as the size and age of the children – it can be possible to transport up to four little ones in this way, with additional space for other cargo as well.

4 INSPECT YOUR CYCLE

It's a good idea to do some routine checks on any bike before going for a ride to make sure everything's working correctly. The 'M check' is particularly useful: assessing the condition and position of the bike's wheels, handlebars, brakes, pedals, chain and saddle, working from front to back. Online tutorial videos can also teach you how to carry out basic repairs if needed. For more complicated fixes, head to your local bike shop.

5 BRING SUITABLE GEAR

Ensure whatever you're wearing, and any attachments for your bike, are suitable for the ride. A waterproof jacket will let you cycle safely in almost any weather. Make sure any helmets are fitted correctly. If you're riding after dark, remember to fit your bikes with a white front light, a red rear light and a red rear reflector. These are required by law.

6 STICK TO FLAT TERRAIN

Take a smooth, flat route if possible, so it's more suitable for younger cyclists. You might be surprised by how many quiet roads or back streets there may be in your area. Don't be put off by an indirect but easier path as opposed to a shorter, busier one. Look out for the National Cycle Network, canal towpaths and even parks that you can cut through.

7 STAY ALERT AND IN SAFE FORMATIONS

For maximum protection and visibility, ride in a line with children in the middle and adults at either end. If you're the only adult present, take up a position at the rear to ensure all children remain in your sight. Don't be tempted to hug the kerb if cycling on the road – riding approximately a metre out will make you more noticeable to other road users, and you'll also stay clear of any debris in the gutter.

8 AVOID PARKED CARS

When riding past parked cars, try to stay at least a metre away, just in case anyone inside opens a door unexpectedly or the vehicle itself starts to move. This precaution will also deter anyone driving behind from trying to squeeze past you when there isn't enough space, so don't be afraid to ride in a prominent position.

9 START A 'BIKE BUS'

Cycling to school with other families is a potentially fun experience – one which comes with the added benefit of safety in numbers, in case anything goes wrong along the way. Team up with other parents, carers and educators and pick a day to cycle to school together. Who knows – maybe, in time, you'll have other folks asking to join you?

10 HAVE FUN!

Keep in mind that cycling should be fun! A good bike ride can be really enjoyable for adults and children alike, while also being a superb form of exercise. Ease children into the hobby by starting them off with shorter journeys – such as a trip to the park – and build them up to longer, more complicated outings. Some children may get bored on a longer ride, so try to keep a conversation going with them.

Meet Our Expert

Sophie Gordon is the campaigns manager at Cycling UK, a charity which inspires and enables people to start cycling. She has spent six years campaigning for safer roads and more protected cycle paths, while supporting communities to call for better cycling conditions where they live.

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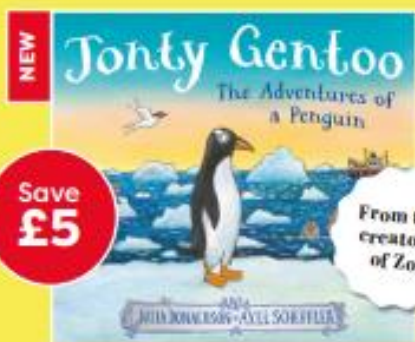
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