

Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning



THIS WEEK...

DORKING WANDERERS FC

Year 4 had an amazing afternoon when Dorking FC came to visit Wray Common. Four of the club's first-team players, along with several coaches, joined us for fun drills, skills practice, and exciting games. The children were inspired by meeting real footballers, asking them lots of questions, and even getting their autographs! It was a brilliant experience that left everyone smiling.





AUTUMN DETECTIVES

Year 1 put on their wellies on and took their learning outdoors during Science this week! As Autumn detectives, they searched for signs of the changes in the season and were surprised to discover acorns, blackberries and wild mushrooms! We wonder what they will spot next.



PERSEUS

Year 5 are proud to have completed their first English Unit where we wrote our own myths describing a new quest for the hero Perseus. We worked hard to create effective description to describe our own mythical beasts and really enjoyed writing stories to recount his adventure. We used fronted adverbials to try to vary our sentence openers and challenged ourselves with our vocabulary choices to engage our reader. We hope you enjoy reading these extracts!

Another quest for Perseus

by Delilah

In the ~~ha~~ heart of a desolate, abandoned forest on a high cliff called War Cliff where no human had ~~been before~~ set foot before there lived a ~~horrible~~ horrible beast called the Egx. If you had been there at that time, you would have seen a young boy called Perseus climbing the cliff. ~~Trembling~~ Trembling with fear, he grabbed at the last hold and pulled himself up. Glancing around, he felt for his trusty bow and arrow and shot the sky in warning. Calmed, he ~~then~~ checked that his sleep throw-potion and sword given ~~to~~ to him by the goddess Athena was there, ~~it~~ they were. As ~~a~~ quite quiet ~~as~~ as a mouse, he slipped in a crack in the cave wall.

Another quest for Perseus

by Charlotte

Breathing calmly, Perseus strolled into the gloomy forest. As Perseus was strolling, he was carrying his glistening, ~~shiny~~ shiny sword, shield and the invisibility potion from Athena. Perseus swept his hair out of his face so ~~he can see~~ he could look where he is going and Perseus had sapphire, serious eyes and sweating hair. As Perseus was walking, he felt scared because of all the stories saying Flussy was a horrid animal.

Another quest for Perseus

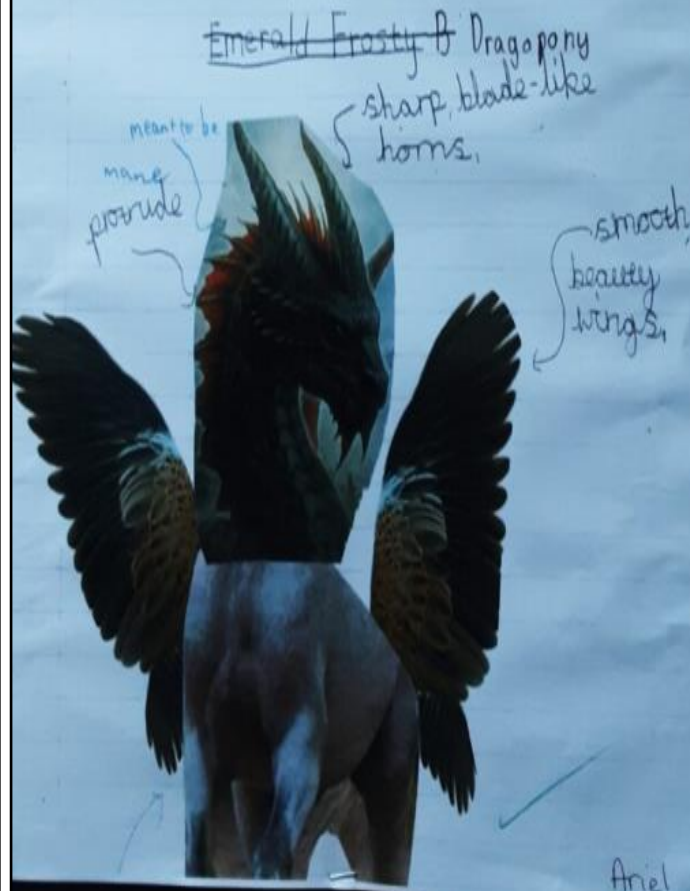
by Zach part 2

In the eerie silence, Perseus could make out only one noise, a sort of loud roar like an earth, quake, coming from deep inside the lair. Perseus raised his sword and crept inside, creeping over the large bones and dented armour. Soon a dim yellow light surrounded him, and the wide tunnel trembled with deafening roars. He had defeated the vile gorgon medusa already, ~~so~~ so he could probably defeat this the goatshorke. Soon, he came to a large room full of glowing plants and gold, and the, in a deep sleep, was the goatshorke. Long, grey feathers stuck out of a muscular, white horse body, with thick lions legs at the front and purple horse legs at the back with diamond hard hooves. Two colossal, grey goat heads lay on the gold along with the horrid body, with sharp tusks protruding above the rest, and a snake tail writhed in its sleep.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed - Y6 Victorian Day

Thu - Y6 Sports Crew training

Fri - Charity Day



FAMILY SUPPORT

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

REMINDER: CHARITY FUNDRAISING DAY FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2025 - FRAGILE X SOCIETY

This half term, we are excited to be raising money for Fragile X Society, a charity who supports individuals, and their families, who have been diagnosed with Fragile X Syndrome. Fragile X Syndrome (FXS) is a genetic condition, affecting around 1 in 4000 males and 1 in 6000 females. It can cause a wide range of difficulties with learning, as well as social, language, attentional, emotional, and behavioural problems.

On Friday 10th October, we are inviting the children to come into school dressed in **Turquoise** and/or **blue**, the colours of the Fragile X Society logo, in exchange for a 3-coin donation of your choosing. Find out more about this amazing charity here: [Fragile X Society | Fragile X United Kingdom](https://www.fragilexsociety.org.uk/)

Please see last week's newsletter for further information. Thank you in anticipation of your support!



DIWALI

On Monday 20th October, children who celebrate Diwali as part of their religion are warmly invited to come into school wearing their traditional dress if they wish.



HONOUR BOOK

1LP	Lavinia	For always showing our Wray Common values. You are a super role model to others.
1P	Oscar	For always showing kindness to others and being a good friend.
2T	Logan	For always demonstrating the values of kindness and respect, to both adults and peers.
2F	Ronnie	For taking his time and thinking about what he was doing in swimming.
3EM	Oscar	For always trying his best and growing in confidence contributing ideas to class discussions.
3F	Emilio	For always trying his best and being ready to learn.
4B	Emma	For being such a caring member of the class and helping support others with their learning.
4S	Zach	For working hard and being independent with his writing all week.
5A	Bismillah	For striving to give detailed and clear explanations using mathematical language when sharing her reasoning and methods.
5J	Joseph	For aspiring to be the best he can be by contributing ideas to class discussions.
6C	Lily	For always showing kindness to everyone around her, brightening up everyone's day.
6F	Fraser	For always being a role-model for behaviour and learning. Your hardworking, determined and resilient attitude is inspiring!

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about EA SPORTS FC 26

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Our guide looks at the risks surrounding EA Sports FC 26 and our top tips to minimise them. This marks the third year since EA left the FIFA licence, and the game is mostly unchanged from last year. While Kick-Off mode is great for playing with friends and Career Mode allows players to fulfil long-term ambitions as a manager or player, Ultimate Team remains the main draw for many players – and it can get out of hand in terms of how much money players can invest.

AN ANNUAL RELEASE SCHEDULE

As was the case with the last two EA Sports FC games and the FIFA series before it, the franchise rolls out once a year with updated squads and new features. This can make it expensive to keep up with, particularly when so many dedicated players are keen to get their hands on the latest edition.

VOICE CHAT

Voice chat can be enabled across all platforms, meaning young people can speak to anyone they play with or against. While it can be switched off, some children will no doubt want to speak to their friends while they play. This also means they may encounter strangers much older than them, which can expose them to inappropriate language or behaviours.

IN-GAME PURCHASES THROUGH ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is the big draw for EA Sports FC, letting players spend real money on packs that they can open to build a squad of the world's best players. They're not always easy to obtain, and new, improved versions of players will be regularly added as limited-time offerings. Young people could feel pressured into spending money and experience fear of missing out.

SCAMMERS IN ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is managed by EA itself, but that hasn't stopped scammers from looking to dupe players out of money and in-game coins. Some scammers sell their accounts, which is a violation of EA's terms of service, while others will 'sell' coins – something the developer is still working to crack down on. Some try to gain access to others' accounts, potentially giving them access to payment information.

POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

While EA Sports FC is potentially addictive, thanks to its fast-paced gameplay and mirroring of the real-world skill and glamour of football, Ultimate Team's focus on limited-time rewards and the lottery of winning packs can make it feel closer to gambling than gaming, which may lead to addiction and impulsive spending of money.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PREPARE FOR ANOTHER GAME IN A YEAR

The annual-release cadence aligns with the return of the school year, and can be a great way to incentivise good behaviour at the start of term. If children are applying themselves and preparing for a new year of school, or were particularly well behaved in the summer, EA Sports FC 26 could make a great reward.

LIMIT SPENDING

If you're worried about children accidentally spending real money in Ultimate Team, whether in game or on the EA Sports FC companion app, don't link a payment card to their account. Reclaiming funds can be a mountain to climb, and the dopamine hit of opening flashy packs with slick animations means one purchase can lead to another very quickly. It's also worth adding a prepaid card if you'd prefer them to make their own choices with their budget.

MONITOR VOICE CHAT

As in-game chat is open, be sure to adjust the settings in EA Sports FC 26 to lock it down. If children want to chat with their friends while they play, consider setting up a safe space for them to call, to allow them to play without fear of outsiders.

BE VIGILANT

As with last year, there are ways to keep scammers at bay. Ensure passwords are locked down, and consider using a password manager application to keep them secure. EA will never contact players through the game itself, so be vigilant with incoming messages, and block and report suspected spam. EA will contact players by email if needed, but they will never ask for usernames or passwords. Players should also avoid buying in-game currency from unofficial websites – doing so can lead to accounts being banned and could cost players money in the process.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is an experienced freelance writer and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for seven years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



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FRIENDS OF WRAY COMMON PRESENTS

AN EVENING OF FUN, FOOD & FIREWORKS

★ FRIDAY 7th NOVEMBER ★

GATES 5PM
DISPLAY 6:30PM

TICKETS ON SALE NOW



WRAY COMMON SCHOOL

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For enquiries please email: friends@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk | All money raised will help to enhance children's learning at Wray Common School

We are hiring!

Teaching Assistant (Progress & Achievement Coach)

Perm, 25 hrs pw, term time

Closes: 13 October 2025



Qualified Nursery Childcare Practitioner

Perm, full time

Closes: 13 October 2025



School Cleaner

Perm, full time or part time

Closes: 20 October 2025



Class Teacher

Mat cover, part time

Closes: 30 October 2025



Learning Support Assistant

Perm, full time, term time

Closes: 13 October 2025



KS2 Class Teacher

Mat cover, full time

Closes: 6 October 2025



Breakfast & After School Club Playworkers

Casual - zero hours

Closes: 31 October 2025



School Cleaner

Fixed term, 5 hours pw

Closes: 7 October 2025



View vacancies at:
greensandacademytrust.co.uk



JOIN *The* BOOGIE



Two neighbours of the school, Tania and Lois, are organising a Charity Ladies Disco on 18th October with all proceeds to be divided between Wray Common School Fund and our local Baby Bank, Stripey Stork. We hope you can support this event by buying tickets and joining the fun and they would also welcome donations of prizes for the Tombola.