

Wray Common Primary School Newsletter



Inspiring Lifelong Learning



THIS WEEK...

VICTORIAN DAY

On Year 6's special Victorian Day, the children stepped back in time by dressing up as Victorian boys and girls, complete with caps, bonnets, and pinafores. They took part in a traditional Victorian classroom activity, experiencing the strict rules and handwriting practice of the era. Throughout the day, they enjoyed a range of hands-on Victorian pastimes, including sewing a bookmark, eating gruel, playing classic card games, and creating their own Victorian-style Christmas cards. The beautifully designed cards will be sent home soon, allowing families to see and enjoy the children's creative work.



MUMMIFICATION

In our history lessons this week, Year 4 enjoyed learning about the process of mummification in Ancient Egypt and re-enacted this using a plastic doll, tissue, paper organs, canopic jars and a paper death mask. They followed the process step by step (or as closely as possible!) and learnt about the sequence of events involved in mummification.



PULLEY MAKING

This week in science, Year 5 investigated how they could make a pulley using a paper windmill. We had to collaborate effectively to create the pulley and showed resilience when it didn't work the first time. Children showed some great problem-solving skills to be successful.



MARY SEACOLE

Year 2 have been learning facts about Mary Seacole ready to write their biographies about her and the extraordinary work she did in the Crimean war. The children used the facts they had learnt about her in a board game. The children had so much fun and by the end the children had remembered the facts and were confident to retell them.



SPORTS CREW

On Thursday, our Year 6 Sports Crew completed their training on how to develop leadership, resilience and confidence in school sports. The children learnt the need to work as a team and can help deliver and set up PE lessons and Sports Day.

Well done!



IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: CHILDREN'S "SPY" BOOKS

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the *Spy Dogs*, *Spy Cats*, and *Spy Pups* series.

Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content.

The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

What this means for you:

- If your child has any *Spy Dog*, *Spy Cat* or *Spy Pups* books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site.
- It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link.
- We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.



Parent Workshop

This year, we have a whole school focus on supporting children to develop **resilience**, helping them to achieve their best.

We are working in partnership with the **Community Wellbeing Team at the YMCA** who have kindly agreed to lead a parent workshop for us.

Join us at one of the **online sessions** they will be leading to learn more about what it is and how you can also support your child to develop their resilience.

Thursday 6th November 5–6pm

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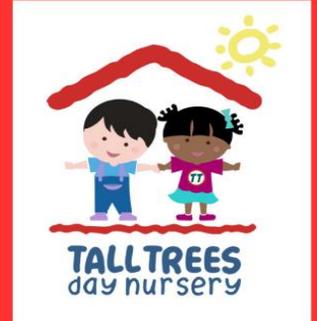
Tuesday 11th November 9–10am

Sign up here to be sent the link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/eeuNHU4Ewe>



We are thrilled to share that after a long wait, Tall Trees Day Nursery at Wray Common will officially open on Monday! The dedicated Nursery team are ready to welcome your little ones into a caring, stimulating, and nurturing environment where they can learn, play, and grow.



OPEN MON 13TH OCT 2025

TALL TREES DAY NURSERY WRAY COMMON

A home from home learning environment

CONTACT US

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Common, Kendal Close,
Reigate, RH2 0LR

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon/Wed/Thu - Reception Phonics workshops AM

Tues - Individual/sibling photos AM

Tues - 6C assembly 2:40pm

Thu - 6F assembly 9am

Thu - 3EM assembly 2:40pm

Fri - YR Elmer Day



INDIVIDUAL/SIBLING PHOTOS

It's photo day on Tuesday morning! All children will have their individual photographs taken. If your child has a sibling in school, a sibling photo will be arranged too.

Please make sure your child comes to school wearing their red school jumper or cardigan for the photo.

After photo day, JP Photographic will provide details on how you can view and purchase the pictures.

We're looking forward to seeing lots of lovely smiles!



STAFFING UPDATE

We would like to share that Miss Kober will be leaving our school at Christmas to take up an exciting new role as a Safeguarding Consultant.

Miss Kober has been an invaluable member of our team, bringing unbridled expertise, commitment and care. Her contribution to both children and staff has been greatly appreciated and she will be missed by the school community.

We thank Miss Kober for all she has done during her 5 years at Wray Common and wish her every success in her new role.

HONOUR BOOK

1LP	Tabitha	For always been so helpful in the classroom and noticing what needs to be done.
1P	Ava	For always being so keen and showing she is ready to learn every lesson.
2T	Jade	For shining a light on her learning partner's art-work by offering him compliments and feedback.
2F	Florence	For showing courage to offer more ideas in class discussions.
3EM	Oliver	For always being super polite and helpful in the classroom.
3F	Rosa	For her excellent contribution to our art lesson and being proud of her work.
4B	Nicholas	For showing excellent collaboration with his writing partner this week by providing effective feedback.
4S	Clara	For collaborating well with her team when mummifying a baby.
5A	Cara	For settling into her new class so well. She's already showing that she's a kind and considerate Wray Common citizen.
5J	Mabel	For always demonstrating the Wray Common values throughout the school day.
6C	Ela	For always demonstrating the Wray Common values of kindness and respect.
6F	Katie	For always demonstrating the Wray Common values and being an inspiring role model to those around her.



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

FOLLOW US



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

YEAR 6

YEARS 5

YEAR 4

YEAR 3

YEAR 2

YEAR 1

RECEPTION

NON-UNIFORM DAY

DAY

RAINBOW HAMPER

ON FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER

CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO WEAR NON-UNIFORM IN EXCHANGE FOR A DONATION TO THE FOWC RAINBOW HAMPERS.

EACH YEAR WILL BE COLLECTING ITEMS FOR A HAMPER
E.G. IF YOUR CHILD IS IN YEAR 1 PLEASE BRING IN A PURPLE COLOURED ITEM.
HAMPERS WILL BE WON AT THE CHRISTMAS EVENT ON 10 DECEMBER.

PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATIONS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 7 NOVEMBER. YOUR DONATIONS COULD BE ALCOHOL, SWEETS, CHOCOLATE, PAMPER ITEMS, OR CHILDREN'S CRAFT ITEMS.





SOUTH EAST SURREY DYSLLEXIA ASSOCIATION
Affiliated to the British Dyslexia Association
SESDA Reg. Charity no. 251678

Teachers, Support Staff, Parents

Dyslexia or Something Else?

Exploring how dyslexia is diagnosed and alternative reasons for literacy difficulties

Speaker: Sarah McCahon

Sarah is a Special Needs Consultant and an Assessor.

Monday 3rd November 2025 at 8pm

Members £3.00

Non-Members £6.00

Please notify SESDA by email if you are attending this meeting

This meeting will be held in

All Saints Church (Not in Canada Hall)
Battlebridge Lane, Mersham RH1 3LH

Details from SESDA Helpline: 01737 556173
Or email: sesdadyslexia@hotmail.com

JOIN The BOOGIES



Two neighbourhoods 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.

We are hiring!

Teaching Assistant (Progress & Achievement Coach)

Perm, 25 hrs pw, term time

Closes: 20 October 2025



Qualified Nursery Childcare Practitioner

Perm, full time

Closes: 3 November 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



Assistant Head - SENCo/Inclusion Lead & DSL/Child Protection Lead

Perm, full time

Closes: 20 October 2025



Breakfast & After School Club Playworkers

Casual - zero hours

Closes: 31 October 2025



Clerk to Governors

Fixed term, 228 hours pa

Closes: 21 October 2025



View vacancies at:

greensandacademytrust.co.uk

