



THIS WEEK...

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

After Half Term, the children across the school have been seeking appointments for positions of responsibility and the following appointments have been made. Year 6's roles have been previously shared at the beginning of the year.



School Council



Charity Champions



Green Guardians

CLEVER NEVER GOES

This week, during assembly, children learned that 'Clever Never Goes'. This is a new child safety initiative that has been developed to replace the out-dated 'stranger danger' approach. Research shows that teaching children simply to avoid strangers fails to keep them safe. Strangers are often more likely to help a child than to harm them. Conversely, it can often be people known to children that pose the greatest threat.

'Clever Never Goes' moves the focus away from strangers and instead teaches children to recognise when someone (whether they are known to the child or not) is trying to persuade them to go with them. The programme is designed to be fun and positive, whilst at the same time delivering a serious message and giving children practical safety skills and confidence to engage with the outside world.

In addition to the assembly, you too can help your child to understand the Clever Never Goes message. You can download (free of charge) a Clever Never Goes home pack at the website www.clevernevergoes.org/parents. The home pack contains some great ideas for how to approach this topic with your children as well as games and activities. On the website, you can also see a series of cartoon sketches which are a good way of reinforcing the Clever Never Goes message and checking that your child has understood the key Clever Never Goes message. Please do make use of these resources.

OUT WITH STRANGER DANGER IN WITH CLEVER NEVER GOES



TEACH THE CLEVER OPTION AT HOME

CLEVER NEVER GOES is the new, child-friendly lesson that teaches children how to stay safe from abduction when they are outside (e.g. walking to or from school), or online.

It's been created to help parents/guardians talk to their children about staying safe in a simple way.

Instead of creating a fear of people it teaches them to recognise the danger in a situation, regardless of who's involved.

THE RULE:

If anyone asks you to go - even someone that you know - if it hasn't been agreed, remember: CLEVER NEVER GOES



The **CLEVER NEVER GOES** rule means children shouldn't go anywhere with anyone - even if they know them - if it hasn't been agreed in advance by a parent or guardian.

And please remember, children learn through repetition so make sure you remind them regularly of **CLEVER NEVER GOES** when they're going outside or online.

For more information, ideas and resources to have that clever conversation go to: clevernevergoes.org

WHY CHANGE?

Since it was introduced in the 1970's, the 'stranger danger' message has been fundamentally flawed.

Most strangers will help rather than harm a child, and many people that do pose a risk to children are not strangers.

Furthermore, it demands that all strangers should be treated with suspicion, which breeds fear in our communities. This has led to children spending less time outdoors, fuelling a rise in obesity and mental health problems.

Add to this, children are spending more time online, increasing their risk of being groomed. Now is the time for a new approach that creates safer, happier and healthier children.

Backed by more than 1,000 schools across the UK, **CLEVER NEVER GOES** is more practical than stranger danger and gives children the skills and confidence to safely explore their outdoor and online worlds without fear. And gives parents the reassurance to let them.

clever never goes

PE COLLABORATION

This week, some of our Year 6 children had the fantastic opportunity to support Miss Alice during a Year 1 gymnastics PE lesson. The older children took on leadership roles by helping to demonstrate a range of gymnastic movements and activities, showing the younger children how to perform them safely and confidently. Throughout the lesson, the Year 6 children acted as excellent role models. They patiently guided the Year 1 pupils, offering encouragement and clear demonstrations to help them understand the different movements and positions.



SCIENCE

In our science, we explored the process of filtering and learnt that filtering separates solid-liquid mixtures. We identified different materials that we could use in our filters that had holes of varying sizes. We observed how successful our filters were and generated testable questions that would help us to improve our filters.



CROSS COUNTRY

At the end of February, children from Years 3 to 6 proudly represented the school at the Cross Country race held at Reigate Priory, competing against pupils from other local schools. It was a fantastic event, and our runners did an incredible job. We are delighted to share that Wray Common achieved 3rd place in the Large Schools category for both boys and girls — a brilliant achievement! A special congratulations goes to Neive, Cody, Katie and Finlay, who were the highest-placed runners for Wray Common in their respective races. Every child who took part showed fantastic determination, resilience and sportsmanship, supporting and encouraging one another throughout the event.

Well done to all of our runners for representing the school!

FOOTBALL REPORT - GIRLS

We arrived at St Matthews after lunchtime and we were off to a rocky start with losing to Priory 2-0 but we kept high hopes that we would win the next match. Our next match was against Lime Tree and we drew 1-1 with Rafaela's great defending, Isla's great running, Milly's great goal, Lily-Rose's great goal keeping and Sofia's great tackling.

After Miss Alice telling us that we had to win 5-0 to St Matthews in able to come 2nd in our category and come at least 6th in the whole tournament, we knew we HAD to win. In the first 30 seconds we had already scored and we knew the ball was on our side, so then when we had scored another 2 goals, our subs came on.

The final result for that match was 6-0 - with Katie scoring twice, Sofia scoring a hat trick and Otilie scoring once. We were through to the next round of matches and we were hoping to come 4th overall.

Things got off to a good start when we won our 4th match against Earlswood but we had no idea what was about to come next. Our next match was against St Johns- who hadn't even won any of their matches yet.

Unfortunately, we lost 2-0 with an unfair 2nd goal as Lily-Rose had already picked up the ball and was ready to kick it but when the players were told to retreat: they didn't. So Lily-Rose was doubtful and had zero time to kick as they were charging at her and scoring an unfair goal. We'd already started to dread the end results. However, when we found out we came 5th out of 12 schools, we came out of the gate smiling ear to ear. Even though we didn't come first, we still thought we did well out of 12 teams.

A huge shout out to Miss Alice and Mr Bleach for all their hard work and support in order for us to finish 5th place out of 12 teams.

Written by Mollie and Florence

CHARITY FUNDRAISING SPRING 2 - COMIC RELIEF FRIDAY 20TH MARCH 2026

This half term, we are raising money for Comic Relief by taking part in Red Nose Day on Friday 20th March 2026. This Red Nose Day, the theme is **Take Yourself Funny for Money by taking life a little less seriously and poking fun at ourselves. One day of nationwide silliness - doing some serious good!** Children are invited to wear red clothing and/or accessories or their silliest, most funny outfit should they wish to. We are looking forward to seeing your outfits!

Since Red Nose Day is all about fun and silliness, we would love for you to come into school ready to share your favourite joke with your class. You may like to have this on your outfit in some way or written separately ready to share with everyone. We are also hoping to do some silly activities throughout the day, too, to take ourselves less seriously for Red Nose Day!

This half term, we are trialling raising money in a different way, through this link to the following Just Giving page. We will still be accepting cash donations on the day should you wish to donate that way, but we realise that it may be easier for many to donate online, hence trying this as an alternative.

Please click on the link below or scan the QR code to donate to Comic Relief.

Thank you in anticipation of your support and generosity.

[WC Just Giving link](#)



STAFF UPDATE

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Evans as she leaves Wray Common. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Evans for her hard work and dedication during her time with the school and for the valuable contribution she has made to the school community. She has supported the children with great care and commitment, and we are very grateful for everything she has done. We wish Mrs Evans all the very best for the future and every success in the next stage of her career.

From the start of the Summer Term, Miss Brady will be joining the class as the new class teacher alongside Mrs Mwila and we are delighted to welcome her to the Wray Common team. We are confident that she will be a wonderful addition to the school and look forward to her getting to know the children and families in our community.

SCHOOL DINNERS - NEW MENU

The new Summer Lunch Menu will be live after Easter. If children wish to change their meal preferences please complete the Meal Preference form which can be found [here](#) and hand in/email back to the office by Wednesday 25th March 2026. The new lunch menu can also be found [here](#).

If changes are made without notification being given i.e. if we think a child is having a school dinner and they bring in a packed lunch, parents will be charged for all dinners we have 'made' for that child even if they have not been taken. Dinners need to be paid for in advance on Arbor. If your child has dinners every day of next half term, the balance will be £84.10.

Please also be reminded that you will not initially see the total amount for dinners on your child's Arbor account as meals cannot be populated in advance.

WRAY COMMON'S GOT TALENT

April sees the return of Wray Common's Got Talent!

The idea is to showcase anyone from Years 2 - 6 that would like to share a talent or passion of theirs and take to the stage to entertain the whole school, including Reception and Year 1. Singing, dancing, acting, playing an instrument, magic, comedy, gymnastics (no football) - it is their choice - and they can choose to do it by themselves or with someone else in their class. No auditions are necessary, just an agreement to practice and rehearse ready to perform to the rest of the school on the 22nd April.

This is a relaxed event and times for each performance will flex depending on the number of entries but maybe as short as one minute and up to two minutes, but everyone who enters will receive an enthusiastic round of applause. A great deal of courage will be on display, as this may be the very first time that some of these children have performed in front of an audience.

So get thinking, get planning, get practising! Let's see what hidden talents we have here at Wray Common. If you would like to enter, please complete an entry slip - they are also available from your child's class teacher. Entry forms are to be handed back to the School Office.

WRAY COMMON'S GOT TALENT
22 APRIL

REGISTRATION FORM

Participant Information

Performer's Name (s) _____

Performer's class _____

Performance Details

Category/Type of Talent: _____
(e.g. Singing, Dancing, Magic, Comedy, Instrumental, etc.) NO FOOTBALL

Short Description of Talent / Performance: _____

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday - Football (Lime Tree for Boys and Girls)

Wednesday - YR trip to Gatton

Wednesday - Y5/6 Netball at RGS (PM)

Thursday - Y5 Sparkfish Easter Experience

Friday - Red Nose Day



FAMILY SUPPORT

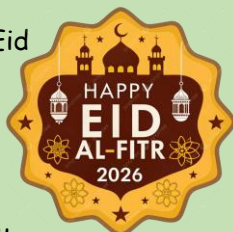
If you need any support, please do not hesitate to contact us. We can help you source information about support through the right agencies, and make referrals ourselves to local support groups. Here are some of the things we have supported families with recently:

- 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 Baldwin on 01737 761254 or email familysupport@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk

EID

Children who celebrate Eid as part of their religion are warmly invited to come into school on Monday 23rd March wearing their traditional dress if they wish (in lieu of Eid being celebrated on Friday 20th March).



THANK YOU FROM THE FRIENDS

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who supported our wonderful Someone Special Sale. Together we raised an incredible **£666.47** for our amazing school.

It was such a joy watching all the lovely little shoppers carefully choosing their special gifts. We hope all the "someone specials" loved their thoughtful surprises.

And, a very big thank you to Emily for organising and running this lovely event.

HONOUR BOOK

RH	Callum and Carter	Callum and Carter have collaborated brilliantly together this week across Discover and Learn.
RP	Nelson-George	For exploring his understanding of number by creating his own numberblocks during Discover and Learn and talking about how each number is made up.
1LP	Luca	For thinking of imaginative reasons why the spider could be our class pet.
1P	Oscar	For his excellent effort with his reading- really trying to challenge himself.
2T	Lucas	For his positive attitude towards his writing this week and trying his best - amazing!
2F	Saniye	For creative use of exploring paper to make leaves for her art collage.
3EM	Sam	For consistently demonstrating the classroom standards and trying his very best in every lesson this week.
3F	Teddy	For her positive attitude coming into school and trying her best.
4B	Sophia	For demonstrating great focus and effort in our tennis lesson this week and for being keen to practise new skills.
4S	Jess	For going above and beyond when picking high level vocabulary for her writing this week.
5A	Leo	For consistently showing excellent engagement in maths lessons. He's always willing to share his ideas with others.
5J	Hadi	For making careful observations when investigating solutions in science.
6C	Joanna	For working hard and capturing learning in all lessons this week.
6F	Isla	For having a positive attitude towards her early morning maths sessions, and always trying her best.



FRIENDS OF WRAY COMMON PROUDLY PRESENT:

SOMEONE SPECIAL SALE

MONDAY 9TH - WEDNESDAY 11TH MARCH 2026

Raised an amazing
£666.47!!!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR
SUPPORTING THIS WONDERFUL EVENT!



Enhancing. Enabling. Enriching.

WRAY COMMON PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE

Friday 20th March
after school
main entrance

Save money!
Save the Planet!



JOIN THE TRAIL • EXPLORE NATURE • SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

**WIN A FAMILY PASS
TO DISCOVERY LAND!**

**GET READY FOR
THE
WRAY COMMON
EASTER
CHALLENGE!**

ADVENTURE PACKS £5

**AVAILABLE FROM
OUTSIDE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 20 -
FRIDAY 27TH MARCH
CASH/CARD ACCEPTED**

**TRAIL SHEETS TO BE HANDED
IN BY WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL
FOR THE PRIZE DRAW!**

**ENTER FOR YOUR
CHANCE TO WIN!**

The Friends of Wray Common Easter Challenge 🐰 🌿

Swap chocolate trails for a woodland adventure around Wray Common this Easter! For £5, grab an Adventure Pack with a trail map, clues, Easter activities and a chocolate egg, leading you on a 1-mile outdoor quest around Wray Common and the surrounding areas.

Packs are available at school pick-up from **Friday 20 - Friday 27 March**. Complete the challenge over the holidays and return your sheet to the school office post box by **Wednesday 15 April**, to enter the winning draw!

Winners announced Friday 17 April in the newsletter, with a family pass to Discovery Land at Priory Farm for one lucky adventurer and Easter prizes for two runners-up.

The
CIRCUS
is coming to Wray Common!



THE
EVENT
OF THE
YEAR!

Saturday 20th June 2026

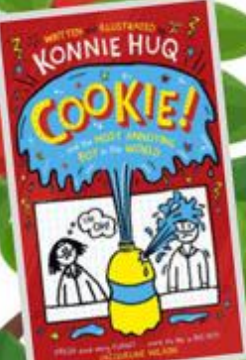
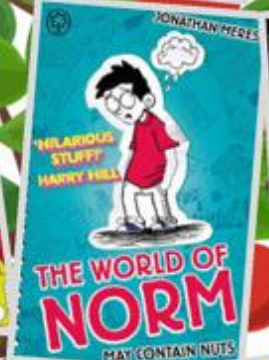
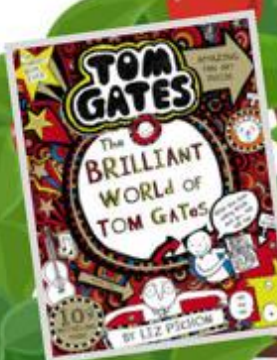
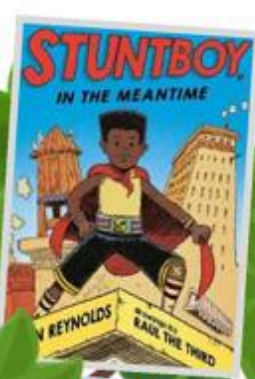
**Wray
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Primary
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**SAVE THE
DATE!**

Insta:
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**Details & Ticket
Info to Follow**

**HAPPY'S
CIRCUS**



If you like...

Diary of a Wimpy Kid

...try these!

