



# NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Dates for your Diary

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March: INSET DAY – NO SCHOOL**  
**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 4 Visit to Metro Bank  
**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 5 Visit to Metro Bank  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** Innovate Guildford: G-Live 10am-5pm  
**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 3 Trip to Wisley  
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Mufti – Easter Eggs for Tombola  
**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** Easter Encounter  
**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** Rocksteady Concert for RS Parents – 10:45am  
**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 2 Trip to Hampton Court  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** PTFA Easter Egg Tombola  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March: TERM ENDS 1:30pm**  
**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April: SCHOOL STARTS**  
**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April:** Year 4 Trip to Watts Gallery  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April:** Year 4 Trip to Watts Gallery  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** Book Fair  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April:** Shakespeare Day/Year 4 Watts Workshop  
**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April:** World Book Day Mufti  
**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April:** Year 4 Watts Workshop  
**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April:** Year 4 Watts Workshop  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May:** Year 4 Watts Workshop  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May: BANK HOLIDAY – NO SCHOOL**  
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 4 Watts Workshop

## Stars of the Week

**Cedar:** Elijah, Pearl  
**Elder:** Aisling, Caitlyn  
**Elm:** Philip, Ralph  
**Hazel:** Leah, Owen  
**Hornbeam:** Alan, Damian  
**Lavender:** Danna, Gracie  
**Maple:** Ella-May, Max  
**Maytree:** Edward, Roman  
**Pear:** Aneira, Jamie  
**Pine:** Marykate  
**Walnut:** Jasmine, Mohamed  
**Willow:** Adam, Sanchia

## 10p Challenge

A huge *Thank you* to everyone who brought in 10p coins for the PTFA's challenge. Elder Class put up a great defence of their title, but this time, the winners were Maple Class, who brought in £38.70 worth of 10p coins and were rewarded with Golden Time.



## From Miss Lim

I am thrilled to announce that we have been awarded a Basic Skills Quality Mark for Early Years! I know you will join me in congratulating Mrs Badger (EYFS Lead), Mrs Bradbury, Mrs Stevens and Ms Wing on a fantastic team effort and a huge amount of ongoing hard work. This success is also shared by all the staff who work hard to support children in Reception and continue to provide amazing opportunities for them. Our three foundations for outstanding outcomes are truly borne out by the experience children have the moment they enter Weyfield: academic excellence, building character and happy, healthy, safe. The report highlights many areas of great practice, which we are extremely proud of:

“[The EYFS team] focuses strongly on ‘keeping it unique’ and ensuring the children have a rich and varied learning experience.”

“Practitioners set appropriately high expectations for all pupils... the [team] works hard to ensure all children, including the most vulnerable, have the very best start in their education and are provided with strong foundations on which to build further learning and development.”

“[The EYFS team] are experienced and informed. A learning culture is evident across the setting with staff undertaking a robust and timely programme of development.”

“[Children are] provided with appropriate challenge and also opportunities to practise and reflect and test out/apply their learning in meaningful situations.”

“Parents are integrated into the life of the setting effectively... Parents value the contact with the school and know that they can readily seek support and advice. The staff are open and friendly, ensuring the parents can raise concerns rapidly and know that they will be listened to.”

Thank you for your ongoing support and I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Lim  
Headteacher



## Waitrose Supports Weyfield

We are very excited to announce that 1st Weyfield has been chosen as 1 of 3 charities to be supported by the Waitrose Community Matters scheme for March!

Every time you shop at Waitrose in Guildford you can receive a green token and drop it in one of the charity boxes. The more tokens we get, the bigger our share of the money!

Please spread the word amongst family and friends and help us raise funds for our Cub Scouts!



### 1<sup>st</sup> Weyfield Scout Group

1<sup>st</sup> Weyfield is an officially registered closed Scout group in the Guildford West District. We currently have 140 Cub Scouts in 6 packs, who complete a range of different badges and activities every week.

In keeping with our school's vision, we want **every child** to be able to participate. We are fundraising to ensure that we can continue to be fully inclusive and can remove any barriers that might stand in the way of our Cub Scouts gaining life-long skills and making amazing memories with their friends.

Last year we hosted our first overnight Cub Camp, which was a great success and we have another one planned for July! With over 100 Cub Scouts involved, this is a huge event and requires a lot of equipment to make it a fantastic camping experience for the children.

For most of our Cub Scouts, this will be the **first and only time** they get to go camping. The majority have never slept in a tent and do not own a sleeping bag.

We want them to experience the joy of sleeping in tents, cooking outdoors, singing campfire songs, toasting marshmallows, orienteering, team-building games and much, much more.

Please support 1<sup>st</sup> Weyfield and help give 140 Cub Scouts a life-changing opportunity for adventure and fun!



Our vision at Weyfield Primary Academy is to provide every child with an outstanding education, so that they can develop into confident young people with a sense of self-worth - who believe they can make a difference in the world.

**Congratulations to Connor Goor and Natalia Suli**, who have been awarded Gold Athletics Certificates.

## PTFA Fund 'Bringing Books to Life'

This week, we have had the books, 'The Troll' and 'Alice's Adventures in Wonderland' *brought to life* by West End in Schools. The Year 1 children are seen here having fun being rabbits, and pirates digging for treasure and climbing the rigging, from Julia Donaldson's story, 'The Troll'.



KS2 children were shown some choreography from the theatre production 'Matilda', and then our professional actor worked with each class to bring 'Alice in Wonderland' to life.



Last Monday, Connor from Playrangers visited the school to tell the children about the exciting activities that take place every Thursday afternoon during term time on Bellfields Green (and in other locations on other days). The activities, which range from den building to painting, from whittling to fire-lighting, are free of charge and are led by qualified, experienced play workers. For more information, go to <https://www.guildford.gov.uk/playrangers>.

**Congratulations to Maytree Class**, who have the highest attendance this week of **98.91%**; they will be awarded golden time. This week's **whole-school attendance** is **95.58%**.

## Delight in Shakespeare

Members of the Guildford Shakespeare Company returned this week to work with our Year 5 pupils, who will be putting on a performance of Macbeth. Groups of children will each produce their own scene and these will be put together to create the play, so we shall be lucky enough to see several children portraying the main characters.

These important opportunities for drama will offer occasions to build self-confidence and trust, as well as developing creativity and encouraging imaginative learning.

The children will continue to perfect their scenes and are very much looking forward to performing them for their families.



## PE Kit

Can we please remind all parents and carers that **named PE kits** should be in school from **Monday to Friday every week**. All children are expected to participate fully in PE lessons (unless there is a legitimate reason, which has been communicated, in writing, in advance) and PE kits are also sometimes needed for other activities. While we have a small number of spare items, we cannot supply limitless PE equipment to children who do not have their PE kit in school.

If you discover any of the school's clothing or other property at home, please return it to the office, where it will be gratefully received. Thank you for your understanding.



## International Weyfield

Katie and her family come from South Africa and, as well as speaking English, she speaks fluent Afrikaans.

In South Africa, Katie tells us, children start off by learning to speak Afrikaans and then, when they go to school, they are taught English and other languages.

At home, Katie's family swap between English and Afrikaans and often speak Afrikaans in shops when they don't want anyone to know what they are talking about!