



# June 2022 Newsletter

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## A MESSAGE FROM MRS BASSETT-CROSS

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had a wonderful half term break and you are ready for the last few weeks of term, which promises to be busy but enormous fun!

Over the next few weeks, we have our infant and junior sports days. Weather permitting, we start with infant sports day on Wednesday 15th June at 1.30pm and then on Wednesday 22nd June Years 5 & 6 starting at 9.15am and Years 3 & 4 sports day at 1.00pm. An important part of school life is teaching children the value of physical exercise and our Sports Days are one way that we do this. We want our children to enjoy the social and physical aspects of Sports Days, as well as encouraging the competitive element, which comes with these events. As a result, our Sports Days will include a combination of team and individual events. Over the course of the sports days, the children will have many opportunities to win house points for events, as well as opportunities in the main track events to win medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. Similar to District Sports, there will be various events running simultaneously so that children remain as active as possible over the course of the afternoon. Our Sports Days are a great opportunity for our children to show that they live by our school values and our value for June (fairness) is extremely relevant. We would like to invite **two adults per child to spectate**.

With values in mind, thank you so much for supporting our drive to improve the safety of the surrounding area for our children by not parking or dropping off on the zig zag lines outside of the school gates. Please can I take this opportunity to remind you to be respectful of our neighbours ensuring that you park considerately on Fairlands Estate. You may have noticed a 'disabled only parking' sign by the staff car park. This space is for those parents and children at Worpleston Primary School who have significant needs (please remember some disabilities are hidden). Please do NOT park in this space unless you have approval from school.

To help improve the parking situation and to continue to promote healthy and sustainable lifestyles, we are re-starting our school walking bus. Children are invited to meet staff at the Fairlands Community Centre from 8.25am. The children will be given a high-vis bib to wear. At around 8.35am, the adults will safely walk and guide the children to school. The walking bus will run Monday – Thursday. It would be lovely to have parents walk with us too!

As we move towards the end of term, we start to prepare for the next academic year! We are currently finalising where teachers and teaching assistants will be placed. On Tuesday 28th June, parents will receive a letter sharing their child's new class teacher ahead of the children's transition day on Wednesday 29th June. Transition day is always an exciting time, where children and staff have an opportunity to get to know each other before the summer break.

Finally, on 11th July, our Year 6 children will be on their five-day residential trip to Operation Encounter. Myself and Mrs O'Brien are lucky enough to be sharing the experience with the children and so will be absent for part of the week. Mr Torjussen, Mrs Earl-Smith and Miss Dunne will be available in our absence. Have a wonderful weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

Laura Bassett-Cross  
Acting Head Teacher

Value of the month – Fairness



# Updates & Dates



## Vacancy on Governing Body

As you know, we are in the final stages of the federation between Worplesdon and Wood Street Infant School. The governing board is looking for someone with a finance/accounting background to join the board; this role will operate across both schools.

If anyone is able to give up a bit of time to provide strategic oversight for the finance working groups please contact me on [head@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:head@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk).

## Class photographs

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, we have our school class photographs. Please can all children wear full school uniform e.g. blue gingham summer dress, grey skirt and blue polo shirt, grey shorts/trousers and blue polo shirt. Boys should wear grey socks and girls grey or white socks. Please make sure the children are wearing school shoes and not trainers.



Due to PE sessions please could we ask the following:

- Year 6 come into school in uniform, PE kit in bag
- Year 5 Owls come into school in school uniform, PE kit in bag; Robins and Jackdaws come into school in PE kit, uniform in bag
- Year 3 come into school in school uniform, PE kit in bag

ALL after school GUGA sessions come into school in uniform, PE kit in bag

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**Connecting autistic girls and women**

**Information Flyer for Schools & Families - Summer Term, 2022**

Appear is a community interest company operating to benefit autistic girls and women. We deliver online and in-person sessions in Surrey for both the girls and their parents/carers. We aim to foster a Positive Peer Approach by sharing interests, connecting with each other, celebrating autism, and offering support. Appear is run by parents of autistic daughters and some of our staff are neurodivergent themselves. We look forward to meeting you soon!

**Autistic Girls** We offer both online and in-person sessions for autistic girls aged 7-12. These are facilitated by our specialist staff and lead by Kris our Girls' Programme Manager. Our Zoom sessions include Minecraft and Roblox sessions which offer the girls a valuable chance to connect by sharing tips and building together. We hold our Girls' Group on monthly Sundays at St Andrew's School in Woking. Bookings open on 6<sup>th</sup> June for the next Group so keep an eye on our website. We hold adhoc sessions throughout the year for new girls. These are a great way to access APPEAR for the first time. We have a Pizza Express session at the beginning of July for new girls - click the images below for more information and to book.

**Autistic Teenage Girls** We know how hard it is to find support for autistic teenage girls, so we aim to provide a space for them to connect. Our teens can join the Minecraft Zoom sessions or come along to our Teen or Yoga Group. The monthly, Teen Group is currently held at St. Andrew's School, Woking which has some amazing facilities for the teens to use including a food tech room and outdoor areas. We always have a facilitated 30-minute break where the teens can continue their craft, chill out in the sensory room, or go for a walk with one of the team. We help the teens access all activities with a "challenge through choice" approach. Our next session is on the 12<sup>th</sup> June and general sale bookings will open on 31<sup>st</sup> May 12 noon. Click the images below to find out more and book:

**Parents & Carers** We aim to facilitate a session for the parents and carers within all the girls and teens sessions. This is usually a coffee and a chat with access to our lending library. Cathryn or Suzanne our Parent/Carer Facilitators are always on hand to offer a listening ear, share their experiences or give advice.

**What's New?** We have been hosting a pilot Weekday Girls Group during the last half term. This group has supported 6 autistic girls aged 7-12 and their parents/carers on a Wednesday morning for 6 weeks. We aim to support girls who are unable to access school or who are struggling within mainstream school. The pilot has been a great success and will continue after the May half term. We are rolling the Weekday Group out in September to support girls in two age groups - approx 7-11 and 11-14 years. If you would like to register your interest or find out more, please contact Jo at [jo@appear.org.uk](mailto:jo@appear.org.uk)

We notice that we have neurodivergent mums and female carers in our community and we want to tailor the support we can give you. We recently held a coping session to discover how we can support you as carers of autistic girls & women. More information on our website.



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Are you interested in singing, dancing and acting?  
Would you like to take part in a panto?

Fairlands Players are holding junior auditions (10 -17 years) for their November 2022 pantomime – come along and see what's involved.

Date: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 7.30 – 9pm

Place: Fairlands Community Centre, Fairlands, Guildford, Surrey  
GU3 3NA

Panto rehearsals take place on Tuesday evenings from mid-September plus Sunday afternoons from October.

Show dates are 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November. If you can't do the audition, why not come along and see the show?

For more information phone 07837 814894

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