



NEWS FLASH

Friday 12th May 2023

VACANCY – CLASS TEACHER

We are seeking to appoint an excellent KS2 teacher to join our passionate and enthusiastic teaching team. We welcome applications from early career teachers and experienced teachers as we are keen to appoint the right person for our school. If you or anyone you know may be interested please apply using the following link:



<https://www.eteach.com/job/ks2-class-teacher-with-possible-leadership-opportunity-1334472?lang=en-GB&frmsrh=Y>

SCHOOL TIMING TRIALS

A little reminder that we are consulting you on our school day timings for September 2023. The government has made it compulsory that all schools must offer 32.5 hours of school per week from September 2023.

At Worplesdon Primary School, the children already receive 32.5hrs per week with the school day being 8.40am – 3.10pm for the infants and 8.50am – 3.20pm for the junior children.

At Wood Street Infant School, the current hours are 8.40am – 3.00pm which equates to 6hrs 20 minutes per day, totaling 31hrs 40 minutes per week. Wood Street Infant School are currently running at a 50-minute deficit each week. Therefore, the school day needs to be extended by 10 minutes per day.

As a federation, we need to consider siblings across the two sites and would like to offer timings that could work for all families. We are aware of the impact this will have on working families and have tried to keep times that are in keeping with our current offer. We are, therefore, having two trial days and will be asking for feedback via an online survey due out 19th May.

The trial days are:

	Wood Street Infant School	Worplesdon Primary School
Wednesday 17 th May	8.30am – 3.00pm	8.45am – 3.15pm
Thursday 18 th May	8.45am – 3.15pm	8.30am – 3.00pm

Please note the following additional information ...

The Haven	Maintaining their current school day timings
Early Birds and Night Owls	As per normal timings however the serving of breakfast will stop at 8.10am on Thursday 18 th May
Walking Bus	Wednesday – leave Fairlands at normal time. Thursday – leave Fairlands 8.20am



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WEEKLY UPDATE FOR EARLY BIRDS AND NIGHT OWLS

Our focus this week, at Night Owls, has returned to Spring and the life cycles associated with this. We have been looking at the life cycle of the butterfly. The children have been learning about the different stages involved with this. They have been creating each step using playdough, creating eggs, caterpillars, chrysalis and butterflies as you can see from the photos shown. Ada made the life cycle and Tom B made the butterfly. Our tuff tray was based on the story 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and the children had to uncover hidden food, decide whether it was a healthy food choice and then feed it into the caterpillar's mouth. This activity helped them to discover which types of foods are healthy choices to have and which ones should be eaten in moderation.

We had 2 craft activities on offer this week. The children could make a caterpillar from paper and card which then sat upon a leaf or they could make a butterfly using lollipop sticks, pom poms and paper. You can see how lovely they turned out. We also had a painting station this week where they had great fun using paint and a window squeegee to create amazing patterns. They then cut out butterfly silhouettes to attach to their backgrounds they had created. The final pictures were very colourful and resulted in some amazing artwork. We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Sherlock, a HLTA at Worplesdon, who kindly donated a large bag of board games to us. The children have really enjoyed playing with these and it has helped to replenish our board games that were getting a bit tired or missing a bit!



YEAR 5 FUNDRAISING EVENT

Some of our wonderful Year 5 children have decided to run a book and bake sale to raise money for the RSPCA. It will be held at the end of the school day on Friday 26th June just outside the office area (weather permitting). Please do come along and help us to raise money for a very worthy cause. Unfortunately, we will only be able to accept cash donations on the day or you can donate on the RSPCA website directly:

<https://www.rspca.org.uk/getinvolved/donate/online>

EARLY BIRDS & NIGHT OWLS MOBILE PHONE



On Thursday 18th May the extended day mobile phone will be taken on the Reception trip to Bocketts Farm (9.15am – 2.15pm). Please do not call this number during the school day if you have any questions related to extended day, please contact the School Office 01483 232126, thank you.

BERTIE BOOS' NEWSFLASH

Well done to year 6, you have been totally and utterly fantastic in your SATS this week. We know it's been a long week but each and every one of you have smashed it. Bertie and I are so proud of you all and hope you enjoyed your well-deserved afternoon eating treats and a watching a movie.



See below a couple of dates for your diary that we think you may be interested in. We will be talking about both in school.

<p>1st June 2023</p> <p><i>"Bertie you look handsome today"</i></p> <p><i>"You always make me feel special"</i></p> <p><i>"I love you"</i></p>	<p>National Say Something Nice Day</p> 	<p>People may not remember what you do, but they will remember how you made them feel, and this is especially true on National Say Something Nice Day, which is honored on 1st June each year.</p>
<p>6-12 June 2023</p>	<p>Bike Week</p> 	<p>Bertie and I love running alongside our human beings. It keeps us both fit and healthy. It also helps us to clear our minds and relax, it certainly blows the cobwebs away. Bike week is an initiative to showcase cycling and getting people out on two wheels.</p>

Bertie & Bertie



INTERNATIONAL PROM

A Gala Concert of World Music with the Guildford Symphony Orchestra
G Live, Guildford
Saturday 3rd June 2023

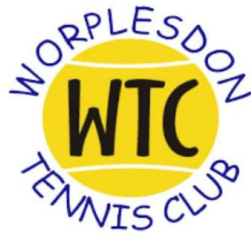


Grab some fizz and sun cream and strap in for the Guildford Symphony Orchestra's light-hearted summer frolic round the classical world: a whirlwind musical getaway for the whole family that is **FREE** for under 18s!

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<https://glive.co.uk/Online/tickets-guildford-symphony-orchestra-guildford-june2023>



Open Day



Saturday 13th May 2023, 10.30 - 2.30

Worplesdon Memorial Hall Sportsground

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