



Newsletter 14 - July 2024

We are now well into the summer term and the end of the year is fast approaching. We have been working on the transition for children to move into the next year, whilst also juggling many school events - many of your children will have been involved in these. Please visit our [blog](#) updated with information on our curriculum.

KS2 Hall

Our KS2 hall is now up and running and it has been a pleasure to lead assemblies in the fantastic new space. I look forward to welcoming you all to the open afternoon on 16th July to see our new space.

Staffing updates

As we move towards the end of another academic year, we have to say some farewells.

Mrs Simcock, our SENCO, is moving on to a new role supporting families to identify and manage children's special needs. We wish her all the best in this exciting new chapter for her and thank her for her hard work over the past 5 years.

Miss Dear will be retiring at the end of the year, having spent an incredible 31 years at the school.

We would like to congratulate Miss McClure who has completed her teacher training this

year and will be taking up a post at a local primary school.

Two of our fantastic teaching assistants, Mrs R Taylor and Miss Chapman, are also moving on from Wentworth and we wish them all the best. Mrs Dymond, who has offered specialist support to many of our children for a number of years is also leaving Wentworth - we thank her for all of her efforts.

Mrs Huckle will also be leaving the school having worked at Wentworth for 12 years as a midday meals supervisor. We thank her for her hard work over this time and wish her the best for the future.

We look forward to introducing you all to our new staff members from September.

Parent survey

We'd love to hear your thoughts and opinions about our school! Please take some time to complete [this short survey](#) to let us know your experiences with Wentworth so far.

PTA fair

Many thanks to all of those who attended the fair on Friday - it was a fantastic event which raised around £2000 for the school. This would not be possible without the organisation of the PTA who have been planning for months to ensure a successful event.

Year 6

As the year 6 cohort approaches the end of their time in school, they have been enjoying making some lasting memories. On Monday, they took on the teachers in our annual staff vs. pupils rounders match. I am pleased to report that the teachers emerged victorious in a fiercely competitive match!

On Tuesday, they performed the production "I'm an eleven year old... get me out of here!" to the rest of the school and their families. The hilarious performance featured singing, dancing and plenty of gags - super job year 6!

Play equipment

If you are allowing your child to use the play equipment before / after school, please ensure that children are supervised. The Foundation Stage garden should not be used before /after school as it has been set up to prepare the children's learning for the day.

Litter

I have been contacted by some of our neighbours who have raised the issue of litter on the streets around our school. Please ensure that bins on our school site are used, and please reinforce the message of keeping streets clean with your children. We regularly have pupils who litter pick in school and it is important for us to have pride in our school.

Flotsam week

We have recently held 'Flotsam' week in school which saw every class taking part in a

themed week based on David Weisner's book Flotsam. Each class have produced writing and artwork from the week's learning. Mrs Turner has collated some of the learning from the week into a [blog](#) which we are pleased to share with you.

Open Afternoon & Exhibition

You are warmly invited to our Open Afternoon on Tuesday 16th July, beginning at 2.45pm and ending for everybody at 4pm. This is a lovely opportunity for your child to share their learning with you in their classroom.

In the event of an emergency or fire alarm, please exit the building safely and carefully onto the KS2 playground. Staff will direct you to the closest fire exit. If you are in an upstairs classroom, please take extra care on the stairs.

Make sure you visit our newly-finished KS2 hall where you will find an exhibition of children's work from EYFS up to Y6. This will showcase work produced in our Flotsam week across the school.

Transition

Over the final weeks of the summer term, we are preparing the children for their next year in school. We recognise the importance of carefully planning our children's transition experiences so that the children's experiences are positive. In EYFS, they have been busy preparing for our new September cohort whilst our Y6s have been visiting their new schools ready for their transition from primary to secondary. On Tuesday 16th July, the children will meet their new teacher; this is always a lovely experience for the children as they return to their classes excited for their new school year. Transition is a time of change and it can be an anxious time for some. If you are worried about your child

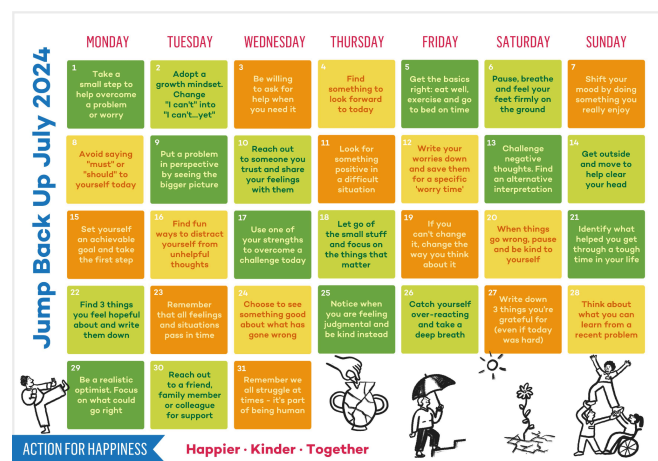
through this period, [this guide](#) has some good tips.

End of year reports

On Friday 19th July, your child will bring home their end of year report. In the envelope, will be your child's report along with a covering letter from Mr Pollock explaining the contents of the report, your child's attendance record and details of any statutory assessments they have completed.

Wellbeing

Welcome to 'Jump Back Up July'.



July's theme is about resilience and understanding how we can build skills that will help us to bounce back. We can't always predict or control what life throws at us, but we can build a range of skills and nurture our resources to help us respond flexibly, effectively deal with challenges, recover more quickly and even learn and grow as a result.

Over the summer holiday, why not look at [these suggestions](#) from the Red Cross. There are some thought-provoking activities to try, videos to watch, plus a link to a self-kindness toolkit.



And finally...

We are so proud of Fabien who has been learning judo for the last 2 years, he is currently a 4th MON yellow belt.

He recently competed at the Southern Area British Judo competition and won a silver medal. We look forward to hearing about his future successes in other competitions!



Please feel free to share any good news stories to be included in future newsletters!

Upcoming dates for the diary

12th July - Cultural Day

16th July - Children meet new teacher

16th July - Open afternoon

17th July - Sports Day (KS1 AM, KS2 PM)

18th July - Y6 leavers performance

19th July - PTA discos

23rd July - Last day of Term 6

Family first magazine: [Link](#)

The magazine cover features a central photograph of Bear Grylls, a man with short brown hair, smiling and looking slightly to the right. He is wearing a dark blue zip-up hoodie with a red, white, and blue striped scarf tied around his neck. The background is a soft-focus green field. The magazine title 'Family First' is at the top in a large, white, serif font. Below it, 'FREE | SUMMER 2024' is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. Several text boxes are overlaid on the image, containing headlines and teasers. At the bottom, there is an orange banner with the tagline 'Building a happier, healthier family lifestyle' and the RIXOS HOTELS logo.

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