



# THE WEALD NEWSLETTER

3rd December 2024

Autumn Issue 5

Headteacher: James Baguley



## Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this email finds you all well. The Winter nights are closing in and Christmas is on the horizon.

It has been a hectic few weeks at The Weald. Some of the Year 6 pupils have been busy doing their week's Bikeability training and have their final session next week.

Our Year 6 boys recently attended the Dorking schools football tournament at Dorking Wanderers Football Grounds and did the school proud and worked hard as a team.

It has been a pleasure to show an increasing number of parents around the school for our open days. Thank you to all the parents who have conveyed good news stories about The Weald to our wider community. Given the history of the school, your continued support is much appreciated. We have a really passionate and dedicated group of staff who truly care about your child and making The Weald the best possible school we can.

It was great to welcome parents for our maths workshop last week. Feedback was very positive and hopefully it will give you an insight into how addition and subtraction is taught at The Weald. A big thank you to Ms Deacon for organising this event. We look forward to another maths workshop on the 5th February.

The Year 5 and 6 children attended their trip to Tower Bridge last Thursday and Friday where they participated in a guided tour and a bridge-building workshop. The children had a fantastic time and we want to say a very big thank you to the parents who helped on that day. You were great and the trip would not have been able to go ahead without your help and support.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Best wishes,

Mr Baguley

(Head Teacher)



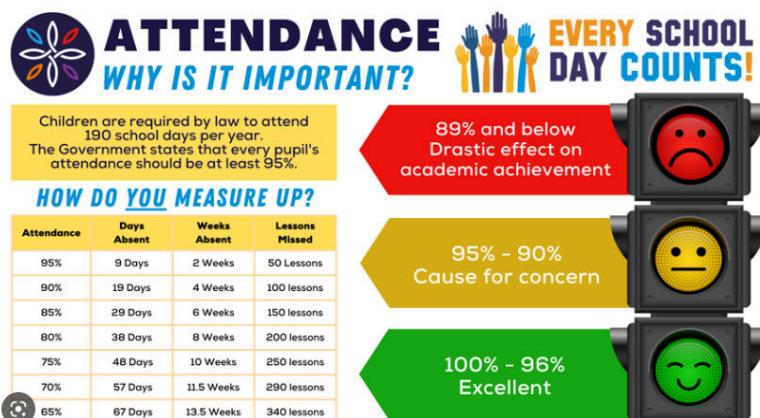
## Safeguarding: Change of Collection Arrangements

Please could we remind you to call/email the office if your child is being collected by anyone other than the parent/carer otherwise the child will not be released. Also please inform the office if your child is not on the bus and who is collecting them. This is a safeguarding issue and we need the parent's permission before we can hand over their child to another person. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Parking** Please be reminded that only people with a blue disabled badge can park on the school grounds at pick up and collection times. We are very limited on space in the front car park and this can be dangerous if too many cars are manoeuvering. If you do not have this badge, please park on the Newdigate Road or in Beare Green Village.

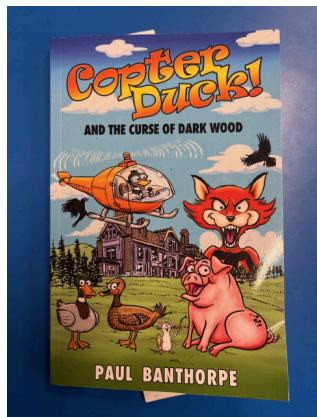
## Attendance

**Well done to 3/4 St Francis** for having the best attendance this week. You are the winners of the attendance cup which is given out every Friday in the achievement assembly.





## We are Authors and Artists



## We are Readers



The children have an exciting opportunity to get involved in three competitions run in conjunction with local visitor author, Paul Banthorpe. Here are the details:

1. Artwork competition: Draw a picture of any of the characters NOT already represented in the illustrations (eg. Messi and Ronaldo the Goats)
2. Write Weasel's Story! - What is his real name? How did he lose one of his eyes? What happens to Weasel in the future?
3. Introduce a new character to either Featherdown Farm or Dark Wood. This could include an illustration or a written description of their physical features **and** some key points on their character/ personality.

If your child would like to get involved, please submit **entries to Mrs Read (5/6SP) by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. A copy of the book, CopterDuck can be found in each classroom if you want to read it again or gain inspiration! Good luck!!!

As we know, enjoyment of reading is the single biggest predictor of children's future academic success and with that in mind, we encourage all children at The Weald to have two reading books with them each day: one colour-banded book and one 'reading for pleasure' book. The colour-banded book is an important part of becoming a fluent reader; children should read a book that is at an appropriate challenge level in order to allow them to be successful- success breeds success! A 'reading for pleasure' book can be anything that the child chooses themselves- it may be a graphic novel, a magazine, a picture book or even a recipe book! We want children to enjoy a mixture of both and we ask that you please record your child's reading in their reading record each day. Reading at home 5 times per week is absolutely essential to their success and we thank you for your support with this.



## Celebration Assembly - 22nd November



Congratulations to Dennis, Lottie, Elias, Darcie Olly, Sam, Sophia, Sophia, Ella and Amy for receiving a golden ticket. We are very proud of your achievements.

## Celebration Assembly - 29th November



Congratulations to Hayley, Tyler, Rosie, Ann, Skye, Lauren, Milo and Ruby for receiving a golden ticket. We are very proud of your achievements.

## Picture News Assembly

# TAKE HOME



## In the news this week

This year's Earthshot Prize winners have been announced. Prince William, who launched the prize in 2020, closed the award ceremony in Cape Town, South Africa. The Earthshot Prize celebrates and supports people and companies working to provide innovative solutions for climate and environmental issues. The winners include projects to protect animals, handle rubbish and prevent wasted energy.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Can you tell someone at home a bit more about the Earthshot Prize?
- Do you believe awards are a good way of raising awareness about important issues?
- Have you ever taken part in or contributed to a project with the aim of helping protect and look after the world? Ask others at home whether they have.

### Year 6 Bikeability



Year 6 started their level 2 Bikeability training course last week with another 2 sessions commencing next week and the week after. During this course, they will be

learning how to make good observations, choose the most suitable riding position on the road, communicate their intentions clearly and follow priorities, particularly at junctions. Well done to the first group who completed and passed their course last week.



### We are Artists



Thank you to Mrs Salter and Art Club for making our stunning 'Light in the darkness' contribution for the Christmas display at Guildford Cathedral. The star above the stable shines down on baby Jesus. All around, in the dark houses, his light begins to spread.



We are delighted to be sharing with you details about this year's online Advent Calendar created by Guildford Diocese Education Team. This Advent calendar does not contain pictures of elves and snowmen, instead each day takes us to a picture by an artist from a variety of cultures. We will

be opening the virtual calendar every day in school. At the weekends there is a picture and a video that we hope families will enjoy watching together, and some questions to wonder about at home. We hope that you enjoy wondering about these beautiful pictures and the people who were waiting for the birth of Jesus.

<https://calendar.myadvent.net/?id=1uiwq8a1ta0c7dn76sridohrumzys9yd>

## The Weald Christmas Tree



We had a festive morning decorating The Weald Christmas tree at St John's in Capel. The tree was decorated with recycled plastic lids decorated with colour and our school values. Please find time to go and see our tree, which stands amongst many other beautiful trees decorated by local community organisations. Thank you to Mrs James for her ideas and organising our tree.

## Year 5 and 6 Trip to Tower Bridge



What an amazing trip we had to Tower Bridge. Not only did we enrich our learning as historians, engineers and scientists but we also learned important life skills such as navigating our way across train platforms in London. The children were so well behaved and respectful on the train. Even when a cancelled train on the journey back meant a 30+ minute wait at the platform! Throughout the day, the children participated in both a guided tour of Tower Bridge and a bridge- building workshop. They especially enjoyed the glass floor walkways between the towers and the bridge building got a bit competitive! We certainly have some budding engineers at The Weald! The trip was a huge success and we want to extend another thank you to our parent helpers because we couldn't have done it without you! At home, you can support your child's learning by encouraging them to recall their top 3 interesting facts from Tower Bridge.





## We are Mathematicians

### Maths Workshop and Parent Drop In

It was wonderful to welcome so many of you to the addition and subtraction workshop this week. After the parents and grandparents developed their own understanding of how we teach addition and subtraction in each year group, they worked alongside the children to see this in practice. Thank you to Mrs Deacon, our Maths leader, for her hard work in putting the workshop together. We have had very positive feedback from this session.

"Great session, very informative, love seeing the kids in their classroom."

"Very much enjoyed the workshop, it was great to get involved and to see how math is taught at the school."

"Very well presented at set out. Thank you for providing coffee too. It was great having the workshop to start to understand and to then see it in practice and do it with your child."

We look forward to welcoming you to our next Maths Workshop on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February.

### Dates for your Diary

#### Autumn Term 2024

w/c 2nd December - Year 6 Bikeability

6th December - FoTW Movie Night - 3.20-5.15pm

10/11/12th December - Year 3/4 Portrait Workshop

12th December - FoTW Christmas Fair

18th December - Christingle Service at St Mary Magdalene Church 6-7pm

18th December - Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumper Day

20th December - Break up at 1.15pm

#### Spring Term 2025

6th January - Inset Day

7th January - Children back to school

21st January - Young Voices

5<sup>th</sup> February - 9:00-10:15 Focus Fractions Workshop

### After School Clubs Timetable - Autumn Term

#### Monday:

Games - 3.20-4.30pm

Gym, Dance - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - 5.30pm

**Tuesday:** Art/Crafts - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Cookery Club - 3.20pm - 4.40pm (**FULL**)

#### Wednesday:

Art/Crafts - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - 5.30pm (**FULL**)

Karate - 3.20pm - 4.20pm (**spaces available**)

Multisports - 3.20pm-4.30pm

#### Thursday:

Art/Crafts - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - 5.30pm (**Spaces**)

Roller Hockey Club - 3.20-4.30pm (**spaces available**)

Dodgeball - 3.20pm - 4.30pm (**spaces available**)

#### Friday:

Bowls - 3.20pm - 4.20pm (**spaces available**)

Football - 3.20-4.30pm (**spaces available**)

### Lunchtime Clubs Timetable

#### Monday:

Dodgeball - 12.30-1pm - outside

Gym - 12.30-1pm - Main Hall

#### Tuesday:

Rock Band - 12.30 - 1pm - Music Room

#### Wednesday:

Multisports - 12.30-1pm - outside

#### Thursday:

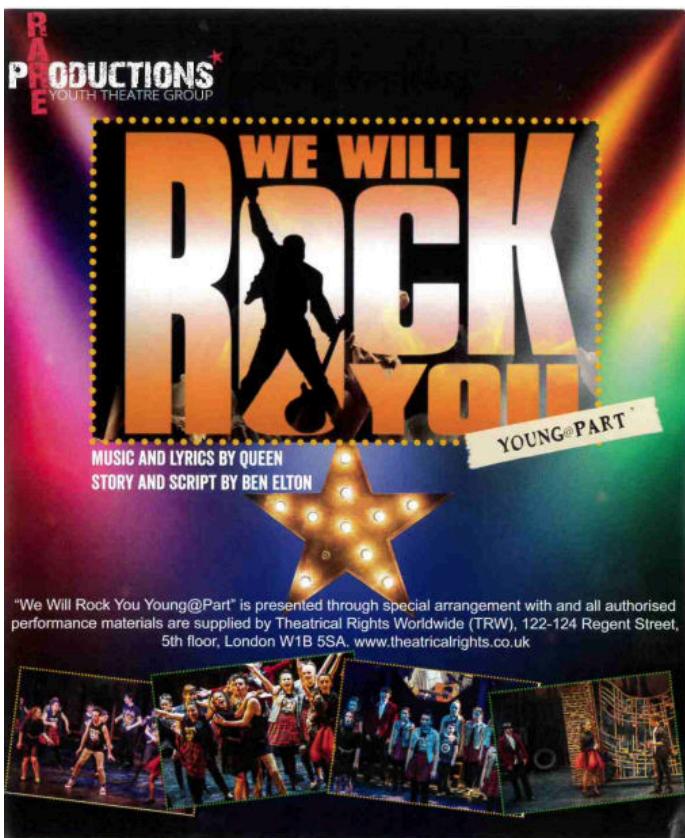
SING! (Year 5 and 6) - 12.30 - 1pm - Main Hall

Basketball - 12.30-1pm - outside

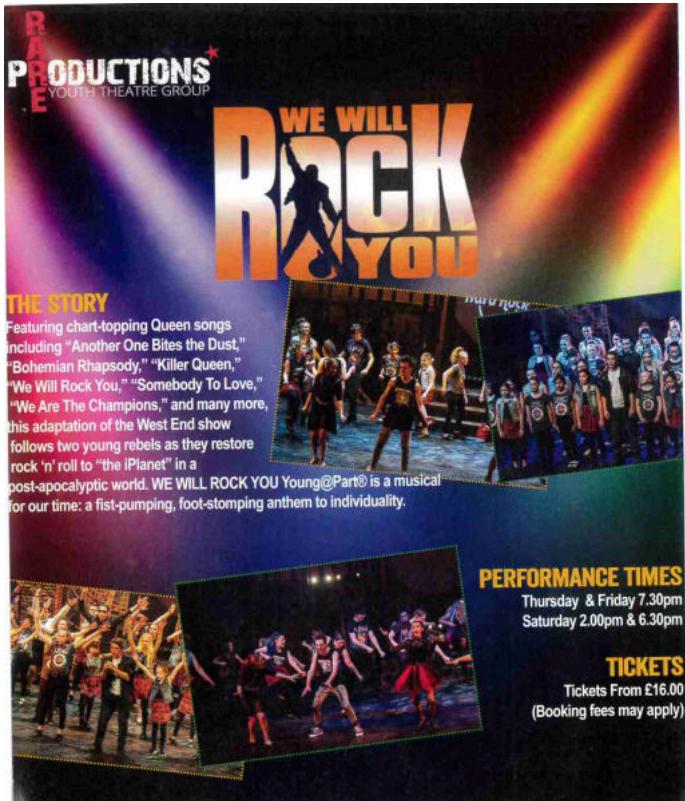
#### Friday:

Games/Chess Club - 12.30-1pm





**9TH - 11TH JANUARY 2025**  
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FOOTBALL  
DEVELOPMENT

## Soccer School

Fun, engaging, inclusive, safe football activity for Boys & Girls of all abilities, during the school holidays. Book now for our December Soccer School course by scanning the QR code or using the below website and course code.

[Chelseafootballdevelopment.com](http://Chelseafootballdevelopment.com)  
Course Code: SS-STCFC-X-38



Area	Venue	Activity Day
Sussex Steyning	Steyning Town Football Club	Monday 23rd December - Tuesday 24th December
Timings	Ages	Costs
9.30-15.00	5-12 Years	£48.00

## ND LIVE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS/CARERS DELIVERED BY LEARNING SPACE

Book a place on this two hour live webinar exploring neurodivergent conditions, with a particular emphasis on autism and ADHD; whilst also looking at PDA and anxiety (including a question and answer session)

This webinar is for **parents and carers** of any child or young person with an ND need, whether diagnosed or not.

### Dates

**Day 1: Weds 15th Jan 11:45am-1:45pm** with Emma & Sarah

**Day 2: Mon 27th Jan 5:45pm-745pm** with Emma & Sarah D

**Day 3: Weds 26th Feb 11:45am-1:45pm** with Emma & Sarah D

**Day 4: Weds 12th Mar 11:45am-1:45pm** with Emma & Sarah D

**Day 5: Weds 26th March 11:45am-1:45pm** with Emma & Sarah D

**PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR ENTER THE LINK BELOW TO  
BOOK**

<https://forms.office.com/e/svc5geucuw>



## AFTER SCHOOL CRICKET CLUB



In association  
with Westcott CC



Mondays 3.30-4.30pm for boys & girls in years 3-6  
13th Jan-24th Mar (excluding half-term)  
£70 for the term

Book online at

[www.twenty20communitycricket.com/after-school-cricket](http://www.twenty20communitycricket.com/after-school-cricket)

## ND LIVE WEBINAR FOR PROFESSIONALS DELIVERED BY LEARNING SPACE

Book a place on this two hour live webinar exploring neurodivergent conditions, with a particular emphasis on autism and ADHD; whilst also looking at PDA and anxiety (including a question and answer session)

This webinar is for any **professional** working in an educational setting

### Date:

**Weds 5th Feb 3.45pm-5.45pm** with Emma & Sarah D

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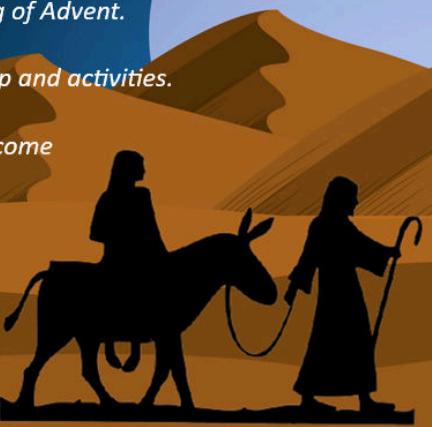
# Advent Praise

1<sup>st</sup> December 2024 at 11:15

*Join us as we journey with Mary and Joseph towards Bethlehem at the beginning of Advent.*

*Informal worship and activities.*

*Everyone is welcome*



St Mary Magdalene Church, South Holmwood, RH5 4JY



**YMCA MOLE VALLEY FAMILY CENTRE**  
PART OF YMCA EAST SURREY

## PARENTING PUZZLE



Raising children can be puzzling at times, but puzzles have solutions – and the Parenting Puzzle course provides them. This 10 week informal course gives you tips and advice on how to get the best out of family life.

**Wednesday 15 January - Wednesday 26 March 2025**  
(with one week break on Feb 12th for half-term)

19:30-21:30  
Mole Valley Family Centre, Goodwyns Road, Dorking, RH4 2LR

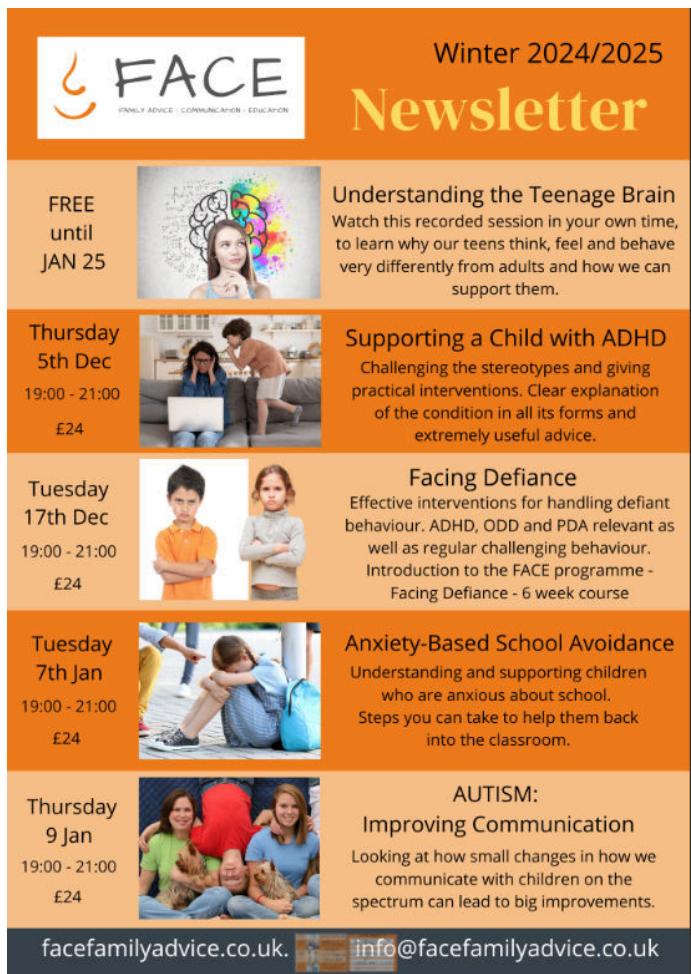
Run jointly by Mole Valley Family Centre, Dorking Schools Partnership and Home-Start East Surrey and is open to all parents and carers. Course costs £30.00 payable on booking (includes course manual and refreshments). A reduced rate is available for any family on income related benefits.

To book a place on this course please call **01306 740095** or email **molevalleyfamilycentre@ymcaeastssurrey.org.uk**

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**Winter 2024/2025**  
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FAMILY ADVICE - COMMUNICATION - EDUCATION

<b>FREE until JAN 25</b>		<b>Understanding the Teenage Brain</b> Watch this recorded session in your own time, to learn why our teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.
<b>Thursday 5th Dec 19:00 - 21:00 £24</b>		<b>Supporting a Child with ADHD</b> Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.
<b>Tuesday 17th Dec 19:00 - 21:00 £24</b>		<b>Facing Defiance</b> Effective interventions for handling defiant behaviour. ADHD, ODD and PDA relevant as well as regular challenging behaviour. Introduction to the FACE programme - Facing Defiance - 6 week course
<b>Tuesday 7th Jan 19:00 - 21:00 £24</b>		<b>Anxiety-Based School Avoidance</b> Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.
<b>Thursday 9 Jan 19:00 - 21:00 £24</b>		<b>AUTISM: Improving Communication</b> Looking at how small changes in how we communicate with children on the spectrum can lead to big improvements.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.   info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

## 2024-25 SEASON TRAINING DETAILS

Training for all age groups will be at:  
Glebelands School, Personage Road, Cranleigh, Surrey, GU6 7AN

We have the use of outdoor courts with floodlights and the sports hall (indoors).



### TRAINING DATES

	AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING
FIRST SESSION	9 September	13 January	28 April *
HOLIDAY TERM	28 October	17 February	26 May
LAST SESSION	2 December	31 March	30 June

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FIRST SESSION	13 September	17 January	2 May
HOLIDAY TERM	1 November	21 February	30 May
LAST SESSION	6 December	28 March	27 June

\* No training Bank Holiday Monday, 5 May.

Club AGM – Tuesday 20 May 2025

Club Prize Giving – Friday 4 July 2025

### TRAINING TIMES

U8	Year 3	Friday	5.00 – 6.00pm
U9	Year 4	Friday	5.00 – 6.00pm
U10	Year 5	Friday	5.00 – 6.00pm
U11	Year 6	Friday	6.00 – 7.00pm
U12	Year 7	Friday	6.00 – 7.30pm
U13	Year 8	Monday	6.00 – 7.30pm
U14	Year 9	Monday	6.00 – 7.30pm
U15	Year 10	Monday	7.30 – 9.00pm
U16	Year 11	Monday	7.30 – 9.00pm

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Cranleigh Netball Club is a welcoming club providing children from Year 3 upwards with the opportunity to train with qualified coaches and participate in competitive leagues.

We offer free taster sessions so please do get in touch to arrange a time to come and have a go!

Why not think about membership (and our lovely kit) as a great Christmas present - Fees will be calculated based on joining date.

You'll find more information about us here:

[www.facebook.com/cranleighnetball](https://www.facebook.com/cranleighnetball)

To arrange a taster session or for further information, please email us:  
[cranleighnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:cranleighnetballclub@gmail.com)



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