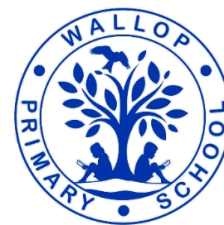




Wallop Primary School

Newsletter



Friday 22nd May 2026

Headteacher: **Miss Katie Simons**
Admin Officer: **Mrs Claire Fernie**
Chair of Governors: **Mr Jon Hannan**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we are now at the end of the first half of the Summer Term. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to our Sports Day yesterday. It was great to see so many people there cheering the children on in our carousel of events. I was very proud of all the children who worked so well as a team to earn lots of points, they competed well, supported one another and demonstrated our school DRIVE values brilliantly! I am pleased to announce that adding up the points from the carousel of events and the races, the winning team is YELLOW. The trophy stands proudly in our school hall, showing your team colours so really well done. I'd also like to say a huge thank you to all the staff for ensuring the event ran smoothly and also to Danebury School for their contribution through their Sports Leaders. It really was a fantastic event and one I will very much look forward to running again next year! Please take a look at some of our photos on the next pages.

As you will remember from a previous newsletter, our Key Stage 2 classes have been trialling Robyn Robot, an AI educational tool. It's designed to be a resource that supports classroom learning and provides a safe, controlled environment to teach children about AI and the responsible use of chatbots. It has been amazing to see how the teachers and children have utilised this teaching tool. It provides me with a weekly report of some of the questions it has helped answer for the children. When I have spoken to children, they have especially enjoyed using it in English lessons where they can take a photo of their work and it will advise them on how they might be able to improve it. Robyn never gives the children the answers, but guides them to the answer themselves. I have seen it support learning and encourage independence too, which has been great. Miss Ryall and Mrs Williams are also really enjoying using it within their lessons.

This week we also welcomed the Andover Library into our school library, which is still a favourite room in the school for most of our children and staff. Each class had a session with the Andover Librarian, who read a story and also gave recommendations about books to borrow from them. We will be welcoming the team back in a few weeks when they come in to do an assembly to launch The Summer Reading Challenge!

It has been an absolutely fantastic half-term and I wish you all a wonderful half term break. The weather looks to be great so I hope you get lots of time to spend together as a family, getting outdoors in nature.

Best wishes,
Miss Simons



We Will Miss You!

Unfortunately, I need to share some sad news with you. Mrs McCrindle, who supports in Kite class, will be leaving Wallop Primary on Friday 5th June. She started with us at the end of September and has been an incredible asset to the school. We will really miss her! Mrs McCrindle is moving back to Scotland with her family and I am sure you will all join me in wishing them all a smooth move and a happy time in their new home.

I am pleased to share with you that Mrs Graves, who left Wallop last term, will be rejoining the team for the summer to support in Kite class while we look to recruit for September.

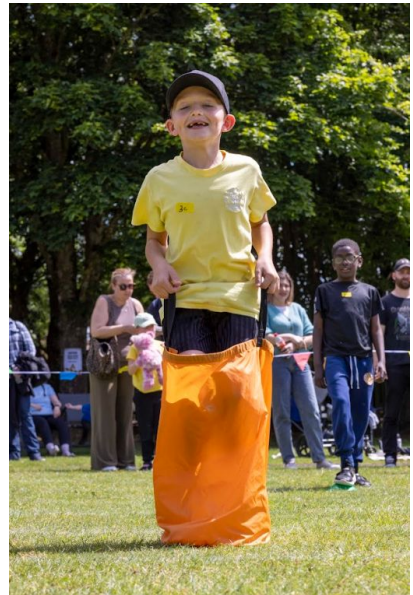


What's On At The Woods

If you're stuck for ideas for the half term break next week, check out what's on at Andover Trees.

Held in The Diamond Wood and local green spaces, every event supports wildlife. Browse upcoming events with this link to see what you can take part in.

<https://www.andovertrees.org.uk/events-calendar>





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Wishlist



We are after some small and/or medium sized
area rugs for Kite class to help us create
sections in their Discovery Time areas and for
their continuous provision.

Do you have any you no longer need?

Please also check out our Amazon wishlist.



[Amazon Wishlist](#)

School Holidays, INSET & Upcoming Dates

Summer half-term **25- 29 May**

Happy's Circus - **30 June**

Yr5/6 End of Yr Play - **16 July 6pm**

Yr5/6 End of Yr Play - **17 July 1.30pm**

Yr 6 Graduation - **20 July 2.30pm**

Summer holiday **23 July - 31 Aug**

INSET **Monday 1 Sept 2026**

INSET **Friday 23 Oct 2026**

INSET **Monday 2nd Nov 2026**

INSET **Monday 4 Jan 2027**

INSET **Friday 28 May 2027**



School Transport - Primary and Secondary School

Parents who would like their children to be considered
for School Transport from September can apply now.

You can check whether your child or young person is
eligible for transport on the [School Transport](#)
webpages. If you believe they meet the criteria, and
you need help getting them to school, you must apply
on time to make sure your application is reviewed
before September.

The deadlines are:

- **For children attending mainstream primary and
secondary schools - 31 May 2026**
- **For children with special educational needs and
disabilities (SEND) - 30 June 2026**

[Visit the website for full details including how to apply](#)

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June 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	1 June 10am
School Anxiety	1 June 7pm
Facing Defiance	2 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	2 June 7pm
Anxiety Explained	8 June 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 June 7pm
Introduction to OCD	9 June 10am
What is ACT?	9 June 7pm
Decreasing Depression	15 June 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	15 June 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	16 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	16 June 7pm
Improving Family Communication	22 June 10am
Autism-Improving Communication	22 June 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	23 June 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	23 June 7pm
ADHD and Homework	25 June 7-8pm