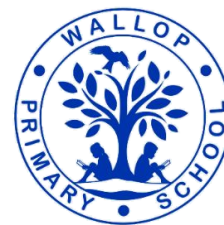




Wallop Primary School

Newsletter



Friday 26th June 2026



Headteacher: **Miss Katie Simons**

Admin Officer: **Mrs Claire Fernie**

Chair of Governors: **Mr Jon Hannan**

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week! It has certainly been a hot one! The children and staff have been amazing at adapting to ensure we are keeping everyone as cool as possible. We have been so thankful for our beautiful grounds, providing much needed shade for short periods outside and protecting most of our building. Kite class have been excellent at supporting one another with sunscreen and Kestrels have moved between Kestrels and Hawks class to keep cool and have also enjoyed some time in the forest school area. Owls and Eagles have benefitted from the cold swimming pool in the mornings for their swimming lessons, which has also meant they have not been warming up their classrooms! I'd like to say a huge thank you to staff for managing our risk measures so well and taking such good care of the children through regular water bottle topping up, cool breaks and adapting the curriculum thoughtfully. I have been impressed by their proactiveness and creativity! This week we have also welcomed Miss Futchter, a new LSA, to the team. She will be supporting in Kites for the remainder of this year and next academic year too.

Today marks a special day in our school calendar: Armed Forces Day. While we have not been able to celebrate this important day as planned, it has been good to still take time out of the everyday curriculum throughout the week to spend time reflecting on our thanks to the armed forces. We are working on a way to share our performances.

Best wishes,
Miss Simons

Examples of how Robyn has been used in the last 2 weeks:



*One student finished the Shakespeare task ahead of the class and asked for a quiz to check their understanding. Robyn produced five questions covering the full range of the lesson:

Student: I have finished, please make me a quiz to check my understanding

Robyn: Answer these 5 questions (no looking), then send me your answers: 1) What are two reasons Shakespeare is famous? 2) Where and when was he born? 3) What is The Globe Theatre and what happened to the original? 4) Name one tragedy and comedy. 5) Write one word and one phrase we still use today that the lesson said came from Shakespeare.

The dominant pattern this week was students photographing their work and asking Robyn to check it. This happened across maths lessons on bar models, mental subtraction, percentages, and column addition. Robyn confirmed what was right, flagged what wasn't, and asked a targeted question to help the student find the fix themselves.

A good example from the bar-model lesson:

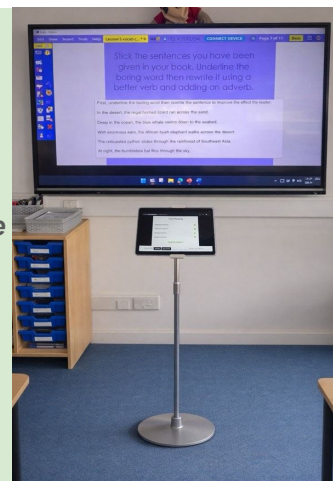
Student [PHOTO]: (showing $456 - 319 = 137$ and $376 - 283 = 93$, with bar models)

Robyn: Your answers look correct: $456 - 319 = 137$ and $376 - 283 = 93$, and your bar/part-whole models match (whole on top, two parts underneath). To double-check, can you add the two parts for each one and see if you get back to the whole (e.g., part + part = whole)?

"I like Robyn because if my teacher is busy with someone else, I don't waste my learning minutes with my hand up, I just ask Robyn" Shivom, Owls class.

"Robyn helps me most in Maths because there are lots of ways to work things out" Amelie, Owls class.

"Robyn never tells us the answer. It gives us steps so we learn how to work out the answer." Marlowe, Owls class.



Cookstars - a parent review

"Cook Stars is wonderful! I signed my child up to Cook Stars so that he could try something new and fully inclusive. He has additional needs and the small group is so wonderfully nurturing. My child has developed confidence and resilience when developing these new skills in food preparation and he has always come home beaming. The recipes are varied and promote healthy eating. The children try a range of ingredients that possibly at home my child would be reluctant to try at home. As well as the finished product (the yummy food), the children bring home a recipe card so it can be made all over again! My favourite was the butternut squash and basil sourdough bread!"



Sounds like something your child would enjoy and benefit from?
Book their place via emailing ann@cookstars.co.uk

Water safety:

It this hot weather, children and young people are more likely to be around water – whether at home, on days out or on holiday. Almost half of drownings occur during the summer months when temperatures are higher. Drowning is one of the leading causes of accidental death in children in the UK, but most incidents are preventable. **Babies and young children are most at risk at home in unsupervised paddling pools**, while older children and teenagers are more likely to encounter dangers in open water such as rivers, lakes and the sea.

Most drowning incidents can be prevented with the right knowledge, supervision and preparation. The Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (HSCP) [Water Safety Toolkit](#) for parents and carers offers simple, practical advice to help families stay safe.

The toolkit is designed to be clear and accessible, helping families build confidence and make safer choices around water. It includes guidance on:

- **Everyday risks at home** – including bath time safety and garden hazards
- **Staying safe outdoors** – such as the beach, around rivers and in open water
- **Practical safety advice** – including the Water Safety Code and how to “Float to Live”
- **Age-specific guidance** – for babies, young children, older children and teenagers
- **What to do in an emergency** – including simple first aid steps and where to find further support

Small actions – such as close supervision, choosing safe places to swim, and having regular conversations with children - can make a significant difference.

Summer support

Ending hunger together in and around Andover

This list is a mix of our core items and a selection of treats to help support families this summer.

Providing emergency food and practical support for people left without enough money to live on.

Thank you!



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andover.foodbank.org.uk

Registered charity in England & Wales 1199568

Shopping list

Tinned meat meals

Tinned fruit

Rice pudding

Pot noodles

Pasta sauce

Milk (long life)

Ice pops (unfrozen)

Crisps

Chocolate

Biscuits

Wishlist

Thank you as always for all your support with donations.

Please take a look at our Amazon wish list if you think you can help with some small items.

[Amazon Wishlist](#)

School Holidays and INSET

Happy's Circus - 30 June

End of Yr Reports - 8 July

Open afternoon - 10 July 3pm

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

Meet the Team

Name: Mrs Eyles

Role: LSA

What I love most about my job: watching the children grow and hearing their amazing stories.

Something you might not know about me: My first job was working within Electromagnetic Compatibility, where I was involved in making sure your electronic toys reached the market legally.

When I'm not at school, you'll find me... Supporting both my sons in the motorsport world, all over the country every weekend.

My favourite children's book: It would have to be anything by Roald Dahl, I love being transported into great adventures!





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Free holiday activities and meals for eligible children this summer!

Children in Reception to Year 11 receiving benefits-related free school meals can enjoy a variety of fun activities and healthy meals for free during the summer break through the Hampshire Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme!

Scan the QR code on the left to browse HAF schemes in your local area via our new booking system, or scan the code on the right to find out more about the HAF programme through the connect4communities website.



Book Schemes



HAF FAQs

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcommunities/holidayactivities>



- Free impartial advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

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12:00

Alternative Provision

What constitutes as a suitable education in relation to section 19 of the education act

**8
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12:00

Appeals to SEND Tribunal

A step-by-step guide through the appeals process

**9
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12:00

Responding to a draft EHCP

If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft

**11
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13:30

Considering an EHC Plan?

Independent and impartial information to guide you through the process

**17
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12:00
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Ordinarily Available Provision and SEN Support

Looking at support available for those who do not have an EHCP

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