



**'Make Every Minute
Meaningful'**

Dear parents and carers,

Christmas is fast approaching. This first term has gone so quickly and we know that everyone will be looking forward to a break.

We want to thank you for your continued support of the school and of your child's right to a full-time and high-quality education. We know a few of us are picking up coughs and colds but remember it is important that our children are in school.

Thank you to all of our school staff who work tirelessly to ensure that your children make accelerated progress, feel safe and grow as people.

We wish you all the happiest of Christmases.

Best wishes, Mrs Mark-Richards and Mrs Webb



Key Events

There are a number of events coming up—it's always busy at Christmas!

Here are some key ones:

2nd and 3rd December: Santa's Grotto

9th and 10th December: Year 1 Candlelight Concert

16th am and 17th pm December: Year R & Year 2 Nativity

19th December: Church Service AM (a letter will be out this week)

19th December: Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day



Christmas Jumper Day

On Thursday 19th December, it is Christmas Jumper Day!

On this day, your child is encouraged to come to school in a Christmas jumper, with their normal school trousers or skirt.

They can wear a Christmas accessory too!

Your child will have Christmas lunch on this day.

You will have already pre-ordered and confirmed your child's lunch choice. If your child has a special diet, they will be given a safe Christmas dinner. There won't be another food option for the children on that day.

**We can't wait to see you
sparkle and shine!**



HAF programme

Connect4Communities runs a number of holiday clubs which can alleviate pressure for working parents during holidays. Please follow the QR code or search for Connect4Communities to find more information.



Organisation Name	Venue
CM Sports UK	Wavell School, Lynchford Rd, Farnborough, GU14 6BH
CM Sports UK	St Bernadette's School, Tile Barn Close, Cove, Farnborough, GU14 8LS
CM Sports UK	Guillemont Junior School, Sandy Lane, Farnborough, GU14 9ES
KOOSA Kids	Alderwood Infant School, Belle Vue Road, Aldershot, Hampshire, GU12 4RZ
Magna Groups Enterprises	The Cambridge Primary School, Queens Avenue, Wellesley, Aldershot, GU11 4AA
OurParks	Grange Community Junior School, Wren Way, Farnborough, Hampshire, GU14 8TA
Premier Education	Samuel Cody Specialist Sports College, Ballantyne Road, Farnborough, GU14 8SN
Soccer Coaching Ltd	South Farnborough Infant School, Queens Road, Farnborough, GU14 6JU

Please be aware that, whilst some clubs have costs associated, many will provide subsidised places depending on your personal circumstances.



Christmas can be a difficult time for families for lots of different reasons. Please let us know if there is anything that we can do to make your holiday together easier.

Key Dates for your Diary

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd: Santa's Grotto

Monday 9th: Year 1 Candlelight Concert

Tuesday 10th: Year 1 Candlelight Concert

Friday 13th: Year 6 at the Panto

Monday 16th: Year R & Year 2 Nativity am

Tuesday 17th: Year R & Year 2 Nativity pm

Thursday 19th: Church Service am —whole school

Thursday 19th: Christmas Lunch

Friday 20th: Last day of Autumn Term

Saturday 21st December-Sunday 5th January: Christmas holidays

Monday 6th January: INSET day

Tuesday 7th January: Children's first day back in school



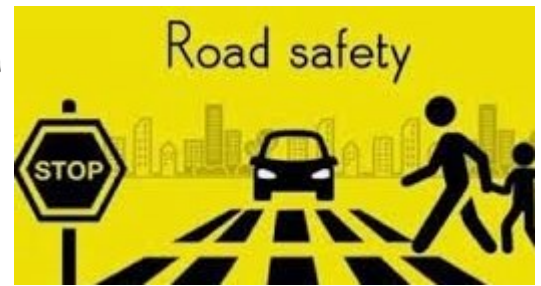
Road Safety

Everyone has the right to travel safely and with six children seriously injured or killed across the country every day, young people must be aware of the dangers of the road from an early age. We ask all parents and carers to be careful when crossing roads. Remember, one of the best ways you can help your child to stay safe is to set a good example when using roads, on foot cycling and in the car.

- Teach your children to be safe pedestrians
- Ensure they wear a cycle helmet
- Ensure they have the appropriate car seat and are safely secured with a seatbelt.

The **Junior Road Safety Officer's** (JRSO's) are hard at work at Wellington. They are easily identifiable in their yellow high viz.

The JRSO's have received training on the dangers of the road and how to keep themselves and others around them safe.



Remembrance Day

To commemorate Remembrance Day 2024, children took part in activities throughout the day.



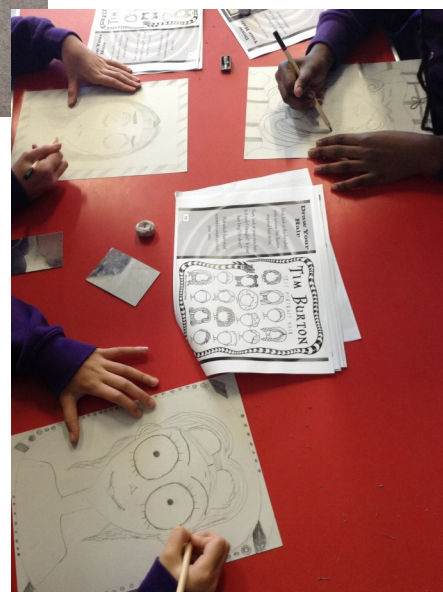
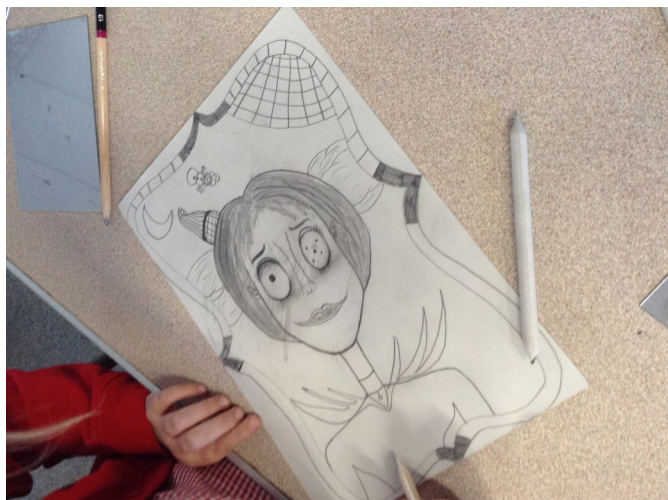
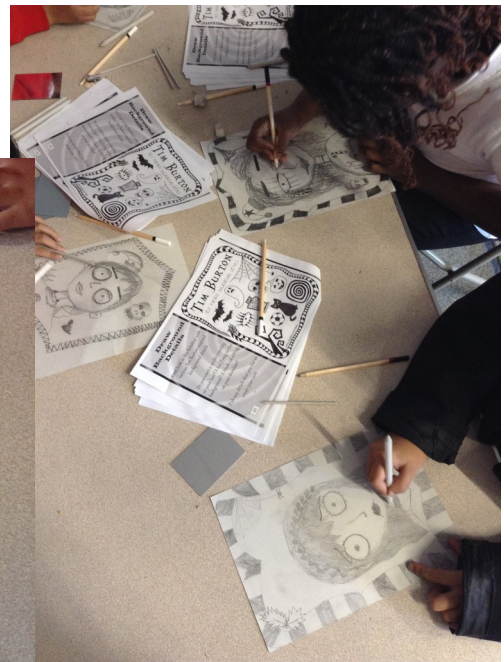
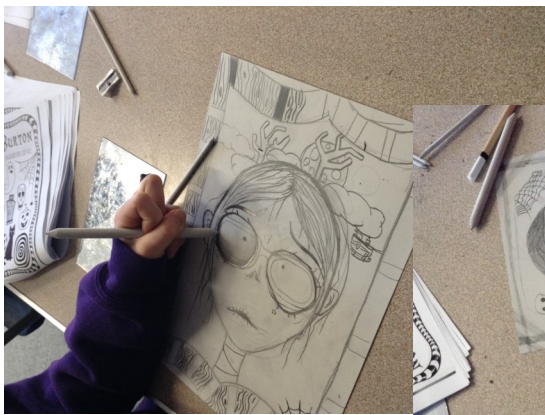
Remembrance Day is a national opportunity to remember and honour all those that have fought to defend our freedoms. The children created a Wellington bank of poppies displayed in the playground, clay poppy bowls, poppy collages and much more. We showed our thanks when we observed a two minutes silence as a whole school.

Tim Burton Art Workshop

This month, some of our KS2 children from Wellington had the fantastic opportunity to join forces with children from Talavera School for a creative, Tim Burton-inspired self-portrait workshop. The children explored the signature elements of Burton's distinctive style, focusing on how he uses shadows, black-and-white contrast, and exaggerated features to bring his quirky characters to life.

In the spirit of the season, the children gave their self-portraits a festive Christmas twist—while still keeping true to Burton's spooky charm! The results were nothing short of spectacular, with eerie yet enchanting portraits that showcase both their imagination and their understanding of Burton's unique artistic techniques.

We think you'll agree that these outcomes are truly amazing—well done to all the children involved!



Hampshire Parent Workshops

Free for families of autistic children and young people
Dates available for 2024/25



Family Information Workshops
exploring a child's unique
experiences and practical support



Open to family members and
others closely associated with the
care and support of the child



Delivered over six sessions
Online via Microsoft Teams



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