



## Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

We have had an exciting week going on lots of bear hunts! Additionally, we have all been so impressed with how quickly the children have been settling themselves in the mornings.

### This week:

This week, in Phonics, our new sounds were r, m, d, g, o, u. In Literacy, we have been focusing on our speaking by retelling 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt.' We have also been painting/drawing parts of the story and labelling it with the initial sounds and sometimes the final sound. In PSED, we have been focusing on respecting ourselves. We have done this by introducing the children to the friendly mascot Pantosaurus. His catchy song covers the main points of PANTS and this links to the school value 'Respect'. Later on in the week, we moved onto talking about e-safety through reading Smartie the Penguin. The children loved the song to remind them what to do if something unexpected pops up on their screen. The song goes, "Before tap and click, you need to stop and think and tell someone!". The children have been really excited about taking their new sound books home and will love teaching you the sounds and actions. We also hope you have enjoyed reading your child's first book!

### Next week's learning:

Next week, we will be tweaking 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by creating a new creature to go searching for. In Literacy, we will be creating our new creature to hide in a cave and will be labelling it with our sounds. We will be focusing on turning into sounding out robots to spell CVC words (consonant, vowel, consonant). In Phonics, we will be recapping previous sounds and learning our new sounds - l, f, b, ai, j, oa. In Maths, we will be focusing on counting actions or objects that cannot be moved. In PSED (Personal, Social and Emotional Development) we will be learning how to be aware of our own feelings and learning that some actions and words can hurt others feelings. We will do this through reading a range of stories, such as 'The Cross With Us Rhinoceros' where we will be discussing our feelings and friendships, making links to the playground.

### Other

**The First Day at School class photos will be published in the Surrey Advertiser, week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> October.**

For your information Miss Gibbs and Miss Ware will be out of class on an Early Years Profile Workshop on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October from 1pm-hometime. In Swallows, Mrs Weller will be covering for Miss Ware and in Swifts, Mrs Bennett will be covering for Miss Gibbs.

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October it is Grandparents afternoon! The activity the children will be doing with their grandparent's/family member is making a harvest creature. With this in mind, could we ask that by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October your child brings in a selection of natural objects please. For example; conkers, leaves, sticks, acorns and pinecones to make these creatures. Please may you bring these in in a labelled container.

We hope you have a fun and restful weekend 😊

Best wishes,

The Early Years Team