



Worpleston Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 8th November, 2019

It has certainly been a busy start to the term with swimming lessons and half of the year group attending their workshops at Winston Churchill School!

In maths we have been looking at time conversion as well as tables. Any practical maths that you can do at home will really support them in this area of their learning. The children should be able to tell the time using an analogue clock, read and interpret timetables and calculate time duration. You could ask questions such as: Dinner will be ready in 20 minutes. What time will that be? The bus is due at 4.20pm - how long do we have to wait? Which bus should we catch if we need to be on Fairlands at 3.15pm? This programme starts at 4.15pm and finishes at 4.40pm. How long is it on for?

On Monday we started our swimming lessons and the children were brilliant. They have now all been assessed and will be assigned their swimming teacher next week. Could we please ask that **every child comes to their next lesson with a swimming hat**, as per the original kit list, as many did not have them this week. We also noticed that a few of the children would have benefited from goggles so please feel free to send these in too if you think they will help your child.

We are pleased that lots of children have taken the opportunity to use Bug Club over the half term break – if your child is having any difficulties logging on then let us know. Please could you remind your child about the importance of regular reading (a minimum of 4 times per week) and that they should be bringing their signed diaries into school every Monday.

Our new Topic for this half term is Land of the Free. We are going to hold an Immersion Day on Thursday 14th November to introduce the children to the topic by doing lots of fun activities! The topic focuses on North and South America and as part of this we would love for the children to sample some food. The children are welcome to bring in food that is typically eaten somewhere in America for the class to try. If you are able to provide this then please ensure that we receive a full list of ingredients too. We will be bringing in some Sourdough for the children to try like is typically made and eaten in San Francisco and some hot dogs! Please remember we are a nut-free school. We hope that this will be a fun day for all and will get them excited for our new topic!

Thank you, and as always, please come and speak to one of us if you have any questions.

The Year 5 Team