



NEWS FLASH

Friday 14th September 2018



We need you!

PTA

The PTA had a wonderful year last year, raising much needed funds for the school whilst providing the community with a variety of wonderful events. Last year, the outgoing Chair, Kirsty MacAskill did a wonderful job encouraging parents to get involved and the number of volunteers significantly increased with the mantra 'more hands make light work'; there are already teams set up to lead the Christmas Fair and the Circus later in the year! The PTA's first meeting of the year is **Wednesday 18th September (7.30pm)** at school and it would be great to see as many parents as possible.

This year, we are delighted to say that Sarah Salihi has agreed to be a Co-Chair but she would really like to share the role. If you are interested in sharing this vital role, please let Mrs O'Brien know. Thank you in anticipation.

Governors

The Governors are seeking a member of the community with a financial background to join their team. If you are interested, please contact Mrs O'Brien.

Uniform

Thank you for ensuring the children have the correct uniform, they have looked so smart! At the end of last term, some of our school rules regarding school uniform were slipping so we thought it would be helpful to remind parents and children of a number of school uniform expectations.

- Hairbands should be **plain** in style without, for example, bows or flowers
- Make up, nail varnish and tattoos must not be worn in school
- Boys hairstyles should not include tram lines
- Shoulder length hair should be tied back at all times
- Black shoes to be worn in school (not trainers)
- Boys should wear:
 - Grey trousers (long or short)
 - Light blue shirt/polo shirt
 - Scarlet v-neck sweater or sweatshirt
- Girls should wear:
 - Winter**
 - Medium or mid grey pinafore, skirt, shorts or trouser of approved design
 - Light blue blouse/polo shirt
 - Scarlet v-neck sweater, sweatshirt or cardigan
 - Summer**
 - Pale blue gingham dress
- In cold weather, children may wish to wear boots or alternative shoes for their journey to and from school, but should bring in their usual school shoes to change into once in the classroom. Children are welcome to change into these warmer alternatives for playtimes

I hope this clarification is useful; please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss our uniform policy further.

Behaviour at Worplesdon

Our aim

At Worplesdon Primary School we believe that it is the right of all people to work in a pleasant, calm environment where they feel happy, valued and high standards of behaviours are considered the norm. We aspire to develop children's self-esteem, respect for others and self-discipline. The overriding ethos is 'to treat others as you would like to be treated yourself'.

Our clear expectations

Every child is responsible for being a member of the Worplesdon team and are expected to:

- Talk and act positively
- Embrace and follow instructions
- Act kindly, keeping hands and feet to themselves
- Make themselves be the best they can be

It is also important to note that we are a school that celebrates difference and this also applies to behaviour, meaning some children will require different responses to their behaviour than others.

Our rewards

Our school strategy for recognising effort and excellence includes:

- Class-wide rewards (ten to achieve small reward swiftly), at least once per day which leads to an instant reward decided by the children
- Verbal and written feedback
- Positive conversations with home
- Positive postcards home
- Merits
- Certificates and stickers
- Head teacher recognition

Our consequences

When implementing this policy staff ensure that they apply our test of reasonableness: reasonable expectations; reasonable consequences (these include supportive interventions); and reasonably delivered.

We base our school behaviour policy on expectation, and clarity through shared routines and language. When the children do not follow our reasonable instructions, the following reasonable consequences are followed:

- Warning
- 5 minutes away from the group (with a timer)
- Rest of session away from group
- Withdrawal to the phase leader or senior leader to reflect followed by lunchtime catch up

Thank you for continuing to support us with this policy. Please do not hesitate to speak to you child's class teacher, a senior leader or myself if you would like to discuss this further.



As promised, we have worked hard to produce the school calendar for the year so that significant dates can go into your busy diaries! We hope this helps you to plan ahead.

Date	Content
Tuesday 18 th September (6.00pm onwards)	Start of Year Meetings
Wednesday 19 th September (7.30pm)	PTA Meeting
Friday 21 st September (2.45pm)	Wrens Class Assembly
Thursday 27 th September (5.30pm – 7.00pm)	E-safety Workshop
Friday 28 th September (2.45pm)	Owls Class Assembly
Thursday 4 th October & Friday 5 th October	Reception – Year 5 Nasal Flu (School Nursing Team)
Friday 5 th October (2.45pm)	Nightingales Class Assembly
Thursday 11 th October (7.00pm-8.00pm)	Reception Curriculum Evening
Friday 12 th October (2.45pm)	Magpies Class Assembly
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th October	Book Fair
Wednesday 17 th October (3.00pm - 6.00pm)	Parents Consultations (details to follow)
Thursday 18 th October (5.00pm – 7.30pm)	Parents Consultations (details to follow)
Thursday 18 th October	Finish for Half Term Break
Friday 19 th October	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Monday 29 th October (8.50am)	Return to School
W/C Monday 29 th October	Year 3 & Year 5 swimming starts
Friday 9 th November	PTA Mufti Day (details to follow)
Friday 9 th November (2.45pm)	Larks Class Assembly
Friday 16 th November	PTA Mufti Day (details to follow)
Friday 16 th November (2.45pm)	Jays Class Assembly
Friday 23 rd November	PTA Mufti Day (details to follow)
Friday 23 rd November (2.45pm)	Robins Class Assembly
Friday 30 th November (2.45pm)	Woodpeckers Class Assembly
Sunday 2 nd December	PTA Christmas Fair (details to follow)
Monday 10 th December (2.00pm)	Reception Nativity
Tuesday 11 th December (9.15am)	Reception Nativity
Thursday 13 th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 14 th December (9.15am & 2.00pm)	Year 1 Christmas Production
Monday 17 th December (2.00pm & 6.00pm)	Year 5 & Year 6 Carol Service
Tuesday 18 th December (9.15am & 2.00pm)	Year 2 Christmas Production
Wednesday 19 th December (9.30am & 11.15am)	Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Carol Service
Wednesday 19 th December (pm)	Christmas Class Parties
Wednesday 19 th December (1.45pm)	Finish for Christmas Break
Thursday 3 rd January	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Friday 4 th January	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Monday 7 th January (8.50am)	Return to School
Friday 18 th January (2.45pm)	Starlings Class Assembly
Friday 25 th January (2.45pm)	Finches Class Assembly
Friday 1 st February (2.45pm)	Jackdaws Class Assembly
Friday 8 th February (2.45pm)	Doves Class Assembly
Friday 15 th February (2.45pm)	Kingfishers Class Assembly
Friday 15 th February	Finish for Half Term Break
Monday 25 th February (8.50am)	Return to School
Monday 25 th February (1.30pm – 7.00pm)	Year 6 Parents Consultations
Tuesday 26 th February (3.30pm – 7.00pm)	Year 6 Parents Consultations
Monday 4 th March	Interim Reports to Parents
Wednesday 6 th March (3.30pm – 6.00pm)	Year 1 – 5 Parents Consultations (details to follow)
Wednesday 7 th March	World Book Day

Wednesday 7 th March (5.00pm – 7.30pm)	Year 1 -5 Parents Consultations (details to follow)
Friday 8 th March	PTA Mothers Day Sale
Friday 8 th March (2.45pm)	Sparrows Class Assembly
Thursday 14 th March	Year 3 & 4 Production
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day
Friday 23 rd March	Blackbirds Class Assembly
Wednesday 27 th March (7.00pm)	G Live
Friday 29 th March (2.45pm)	Owls Class Assembly
Friday 5 th April	PTA – Easter Assembly & Competition
Friday 5 th April	PTA – Smartie Tube Competition
Friday 5 th April (1.45pm)	Finish for Easter Break
Tuesday 23 rd April (8.50am)	Return to School
Friday 3 rd May (2.45pm)	Robins Class Assembly
Friday 10 th May (2.45pm)	Swifts Class Assembly
Friday 17 th May (2.45pm)	Magpies Class Assembly
Friday 24 th May (2.45pm)	Swallows Class Assembly
Friday 24 th May	Finish for Half Term Break
Monday 3 rd June (8.50am)	Return to School
Monday 3 rd – Wednesday 5 th June	Year 4 PGL Residential Trip (Marchants Hill)
Friday 7 th June (2.45pm)	Jackdaws Class Assembly
Thursday 13 th June (7.00pm)	New Reception (September 2019) Parents Evening
Friday 14 th June (2.45pm)	PTA – Fathers Day Sale
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st June	Year 6 Isle of Wight Residential Trip
Friday 21 st June (2.45pm)	Larks Class Assembly
Monday 24 th June	Class Photographs
Tuesday 25 th June (pm)	Junior Sports Day
Wednesday 26 th June (pm)	Infants Sports Day
Thursday 27 th June (2.00pm & 6.00pm)	Summer Soiree
Friday 28 th June (2.45pm)	Finches Class Assembly
Monday 1 st July	New Class Letter sent home
Tuesday 2 nd July	Transition Day (Whole School)
Tuesday 2 nd July (7.00pm)	New to Worplesdon (Year 3) Parents Evening
Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day
Friday 5 th July (2.45pm)	Starlings Class Assembly
Friday 12 th July (2.45pm)	Blackbirds Class Assembly
Monday 15 th July	Reports sent home
Wednesday 17 th July (1.30pm & 6.00pm)	Year 6 Production
Friday 19 th July (2.45pm)	Doves Class Assembly
Tuesday 23 rd July (2.45pm)	Year 6 Leavers Assembly to Parents
Wednesday 24 th July (1.45pm)	Finish for Summer Break

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