



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 1st May 2020

In English we have spent another week on formal letter writing with a focus on modal verbs as well as applying persuasive techniques. Next week we will be moving onto the informal text type of diary writing, still focused on our topic - Our Planet. Our Problem. Within this unit of writing we will be building on the work that the children did in Y4 around fronted adverbials. The children will need to use these in their writing and will also become more familiar with the different types of adverbials. We will start the week by watching two powerful videos on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HTZ6sFW7kCg&safe=true> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aS8IBxi2xJE&safe=true> which you may want to look at ahead of your child starting the session. The following website also provides useful information about both adverbs (adverbials) and fronted adverbials for parents: <https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-is-an-adverb>.

In maths, we have spent some more time on decimals and have also moved onto percentages. This work will all be consolidated in Year 6 and we are very impressed with the children's perseverance when tackling this new (and challenging!) area of the curriculum.

In art the children will be making creatures out of old materials (cartons, plastic packaging etc) so please hold on to some of this packaging over the next week! They may also need sticky tape or glue to attach pieces together.

It's brilliant that the children are getting the hang of handing in their work for us to see. Could we please ask you to remind them to mark this before they turn it in - they are used to this in school and it means that they can ask us for help straight away if they realise that they have made mistakes. If they are unable to add the 'tick' symbol then they could just use a C for correct. When photographing work to be handed in, could we also ask that the paper is placed on a flat surface with the camera device held still as we have struggled to read some of the work that has been handed in this week.

As next Friday is a Bank Holiday we will only be uploading lessons Mon-Thurs. On Friday we will include some optional wellbeing activities for any children who might like to do them!

Kind regards,

The Year 5 Team