



June 2020 Newsletter

Helping your child develop a love for life and learning

Value of the month – Fairness

A MESSAGE FROM MRS O'BRIEN

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families continue to be well during these challenging times. I would like to take this opportunity to summarise the provision both at school and at home for children from reception to year 6 at Worplesdon.

Firstly, I would like to assure you that if we were told by the government that it was safe to do so, all staff would want all children to return to school. However, as you know, we have very clear restrictions to follow and I have the responsibility to ensure that any child entering the school is as safe as possible. We have carried out a robust risk assessment which has led to the decisions we have made regarding our slow and measured approach.

This week, phase 1 has involved 87 key worker and vulnerable children who have been split between 11 full time Bubbles (with 2 members of staff in each Bubble) across 11 classrooms. The week has gone extremely well and I would like to thank all the children, parents and staff who have followed the new protocols extremely well which has meant that we believe it is safe to move to phase 2 next week.

Phase 2 will involve an additional 22 year 6 children returning to school, leading to a further two Bubbles with 2 members of staff in each Bubble, across another 2 classrooms. We are confident that phase 2 will continue to be successful so we have already written to the parents of reception and year 1 children who stated in the form sent on 25th May that they would be likely to accept a place for their child if one were to become available.

Phase 3 involves a further 47 children across reception and year 1 hence another 5 Bubbles across 5 classrooms. We have used our risk assessment and have decided that to be able to adhere to the government's clear restrictions, we are only able to provide a part time offer to these 5 Bubbles. Whilst I know that this is disappointing for some families, I have to ensure that I am doing everything I can possibly do to ensure the safety of every child and member of staff.

The children in phase 1 & 2 will be completing all their learning within their school day. Their lessons will be recorded within their exercise books and feedback will be given during their lessons. For those children receiving a part time offer in phase 3, staff will focus on the core subjects of English, Math and phonics, leaving a foundation subject to be completed at home.

Finally, it is extremely important to us that the children remaining at home continue to have equal access to their curriculum via the Google Classroom. We have ensured that we have a team of staff continuing to upload the resources and provide feedback to those children at home. Furthermore, we continue to use Google Meet to connect staff with their children.

I hope this summary clarifies our current provision and our next steps. If you would like to discuss any of the points above, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. I would much prefer to receive your feedback directly rather than have it reported to me via WhatsApp or Facebook messages.

Thank you for your continued support; the team at Worplesdon are very grateful.

Best wishes,

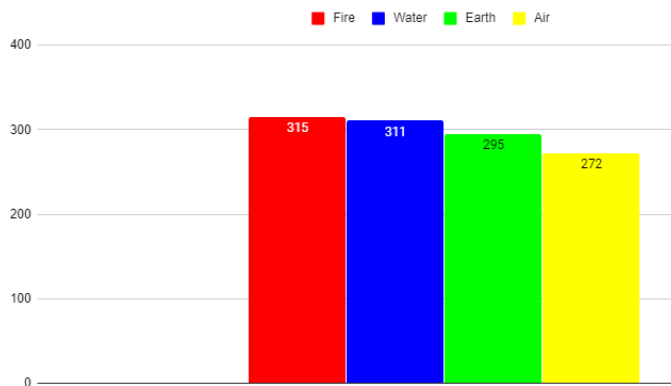
Kareen O'Brien
Head Teacher



Updates & Dates



HOUSE POINTS



As you can see, the house currently in the lead is...
FIRE!

SUMMER SOIREE

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There is still time to submit acts for the second part of the Summer Soiree "There is No Planet B".

SMARTIE CHALLENGE!

Our extended Smartie Challenge is now online. Please add your donations onto the following link by Monday 8th June so that we can announce the winning class. Winners will receive a special certificate from us and a virtual Smartie Party with their class mates! Don't forget to add your child's class name into the surname field of your donation please.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/sarah039s-campaign-for-friends-of-worpleston-school?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1

STUDENT TRAVEL 2020-21

The new Academic year is fast approaching. This is the perfect time to find out what travel options are available to you. At Arriva, there are many options for travelling by bus, and many ways to pay. Arriva would like to take this opportunity to inform you about their Direct Debit payment scheme for Student & Child Scholar Saver tickets – a simple, easy way to pay for travel across local zones and networks.

The Direct Debit scheme allows parents or guardians to pay for the annual cost of a bus ticket, spread over affordable monthly payments. Once this is set up, this will keep on rolling for as long as the Direct Debit is active with no need to renew year after year. There is also no contract & you can cancel at any time if circumstances change. Not only does the ticket allow travel during school times, but can be used for travel at evenings and weekends too.

It's a simple process to apply, to arrange your Direct Debit & for further information please follow the link below: arrivabus.co.uk/ss-kentsurrey. To ensure delivery of tickets in time for the start of the new school year, they recommend registering by the end of July. Once registered you can select either to receive your monthly pass by post or sent to your child's mobile phone.

For any queries regarding the scheme, please email: talktous@arriva.co.uk





Updates & Dates



From 4.30 weekdays
Monday – Friday
Starting 15th June -
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Online after school club through Zoom from 4.30 weekdays with accredited Rock and Pop Foundation Teachers.

30 minute Live Zoom Lesson covering weekly plans hints top tips + video support pack.

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We recommend a Junior 3/4 Size Classical Guitar (with carry case) also available to buy in our on-line shop. £68.99 inc shipping

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Children without kits require a drum starter pack comprising of drum sticks, practice pad and metronome, also available to buy on-line. £40.00 inc shipping

[Keyboard Lessons](#)

Keyboard lessons requires the use of a small standard keyboard or piano at home

Drum Trainer™
Book no. 1

Keyboard Trainer™
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We know you might be feeling low,
Maybe a little blue,
We want to brighten up your day,
We know just what to do,

So put this on and move your feet,
Get up and dance around,
We hope to spread some sparkle here,
Blast it! Turn up the sound!!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzNboGt1PLI&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR0fjKwn6-tofigJHyV35_seiLLpDeQsqrXloO5xT8XuoG9nt-x0NsCcJMQ



We are very excited to be launching Worpleston Primary PTA Presents...! today. Each week this half term we will be sharing a video with you on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/worplestonpta) that shows you how to do a child friendly activity at home. The idea is primarily to maintain our children's wonderful school spirit and sense of belonging despite our distance but if you feel you are able to, and enjoy watching our content, please do click to donate to the PTA on the via the link on our Facebook page or below and click on the blue 'Give a Donation' button:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/worplestonps/>

Thanks in advance for your support!