



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 19th June, 2020

This week we finished our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory unit with the children retelling a new scene or choosing one of their own. Keep an eye on the Y5 Celebration Gallery where we will be sharing some of our favourite pieces from the week!

Next week we are very excited to be starting our poetry unit. We love poetry because it gives the children an opportunity to be creative without having to worry about structures and punctuation etc. We will be encouraging the children to look at lots of different poems over the course of the unit and there are many great websites if you wanted to do the same. The Children's Poetry Archive is brilliant because the poets read their work aloud: <https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/> which is a great way for the children to experience poems. At the end of next week the children will be performing a poem that they have either written themselves or one that they like. We would love to share their performances with the rest of the year group, as we would have done if we were all in school, so that they can learn from one another and are exposed to a wider variety of poetry. If you do not want us to share your child's work then please make us aware of this when the work is submitted via Google Classroom. We cannot wait to see what they come up with and we will be sharing some of our own poems and readings too!

In maths the children have been developing their understanding of 2D and 3D shape. Had we all been in school, this would have been a very practical unit with lots of making of shapes and nets. This is a good website for printable nets that the children can make: <https://www.senteacher.org/printables/Mathematics/7/Nets-3D-Models-Print.html> and this website has useful information for parents: <https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-are-nets-of-shapes>

In DT the children have designed their snack bars which hopefully they will be able to make at home next week. Please don't worry if you are unable to facilitate this though. We look forward to hearing what the children make of their finished products!

We have had some wonderful contributions to our Year 5 Celebration Gallery and we really enjoy being able to celebrate the children's achievements with them and they enjoy seeing what their peers have been up to. Work can either be handed in straight to the page (it will only be visible to the staff until it has been saved and uploaded by us) or by emailing it to jjlowes@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk

We know that many of the children are starting to find it difficult to keep up the motivation for their online learning and lots are really starting to miss school and their friends. We will endeavour to keep finding new ways to engage them and if you have any concerns about your child then please remember that you can always contact us. Please encourage them to take part in things like the Google Meets and the competitions or the voting as this is a great way for us all to feel more connected. The House Point 'parties' will be held weekly too which hopefully they will all get chance to participate in!

Kind regards,

The Year 5 Team