



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 4th September 2020

We would like to welcome you and your children back to school; we have been really looking forward to teaching the children. Over the summer we have been getting the classroom ready for the children to return. Our topic for this term is the 'Great fire of London'. We have lots of really exciting activities planned and cannot wait to find out more.

We are so proud of how well the children have settled back into school. They have shown resilience and independence by coming into school with a smile and learning how to keep themselves and each other safe by following some new rules. Although it has only been 2 days, we have packed a great deal in! It is lovely to see the children reconnect with their friends. We are taking our time in the school and making sure that we have extra circle times to be able to check in with the children and iron out any worries that they may have. We are aware that for some of the children they have not been away from their parents in the last six months!

P. E lessons in Year 2 will be on a Monday afternoon with the sports coach, starting Monday 7th September. This lesson will be taught outside and so the children will need to be suitably dressed so that they don't get chilly as the days become colder. The children will also be taught P.E on a Friday afternoon by their class teacher; this lesson will be inside. Just a reminder that on Mondays and Fridays children will need to come in to school dressed in their P.E kits, which they will then stay in all day.

In English this week the children have been writing facts files about themselves. They have included the following: their favourite lessons; how they like to learn; facts about their families and their favourite foods. The children have also learnt about how they are going to follow the school motto (TEAM).

In art this week the children have been painting pictures of themselves and have been paying particular attention to colour mixing and their features. We cannot wait to display them in the classrooms and corridors.

The children will have bought home reading books and we will start Guided Reading on Monday. Over the next couple of weeks we will be assessing all of the children individually to ensure that they are reading books that support and challenge. If you have any questions regarding reading please do not hesitate to contact your teacher via their email address. Miss Nutbeen at snutbeen@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk , Mrs Nightingale at vnightingale@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk and Miss Parker at lparker@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk .

Next week In English, the children will be introduced to the book 'The Koala who Could'. This is about a Koala who is being brave. The children will retell the story and write it.

In maths, the children will be focusing on place value and will be partitioning numbers, looking at the value of digits and representing the numbers in different ways.

In computing the children will be learning about coding and will be able to make things move. In history, the children will be learning about chronology and will be making a timeline of their own lives. In science, the children will be learning about materials and how they feel and what they look like.

Please can you ensure that the children have a warm coat in school that is waterproof as we will be making good use of the outdoors. The children will start to go on to the field and so a second pair of shoes, which can be trainers or wellies will be really useful.

We know that we have to keep communication at the door limited, but it is really important to us that we can build relationships with you as the children's parents and that you feel that you are able to communicate with us when you need to. Therefore, please feel free to email us should you need to. If it is something that we need to know before your child starts school that day please can you either email us the night before or as early as possible so that we can pick up the email before the day starts.

We hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Parker, Mrs Nightingale and Miss Nutbeen.



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