



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 16th October 2020

Please find below information about what we have been learning this week, ways you can support your child at home and any other useful information.

Curriculum

As writers we have continued to focus on using punctuation accurately and introduced the idea of adjectives to improve our writing. We have innovated our own ideas for our Man on the Moon story and used these and our own experiences in our writing. We are using our English warm ups to look at capital and lowercase letters and practice our handwriting.

As mathematicians we have been learning about number fact families and about how adding can be done in any order. We have been exploring number bonds to 5 and investigating how to find all the ways using systematic approaches.

As Scientists we have continued to explore materials and their properties. We have been exploring whether materials are magnetic or not and talking about why. We have been finding magnetic and non-magnetic items in the classroom.

As computing experts we have been learning how to use curriculum games on our class whiteboard and have been talking about online safety. We have been learning to work different curriculum games on the chrome books to embed out learning.

As artists we have been bring all of our painting, colour mixing, printing and making tints knowledge together in one piece of artwork. We are also beginning to explore framing our artwork.

As designers we have learnt how to create a design of what we want to make by drawing a diagram and creating a list of tools and creative resources we need before making. We are beginning to talk about evaluating our work.

As athletes we have been working on our attacking and defending skills and exploring dance.

As religious experts we have continued our work on the creation story and thinking about how to protect our wonderful world.

Supporting at home

You can support at home by reading regularly, it makes such a difference to their progress if they can be heard every day. Practising phonics, practicing recognising, ordering and writing numbers to 20 and spelling tricky words would all really help too. You can also practice counting in **2's, 5's and 10's** and finding all the different ways to make a number (e.g. 6 can be 6+0, 5+1, 4+2, etc.)

This week the phonics we are practicing are:

consonant blends: sp sl tr gr

The words we are practicing spelling independently are:

they my (also recapping **the/to/do/go/no/he/she/we/me/be/was/you**)

The letters we are practicing handwriting in cursive, naming and recognising as capitals are:

A a D d G g S s

Useful Information



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A gentle reminder that when dropping off or picking up your child you continue to follow the one-way system around the Reception outdoor area. We ask that you stay on the grass side and keep the path outside Year One free to allow for social distancing. A brief message at the door is fine but please contact us via email for other enquiries. The teacher emails are:

gfrancis@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk

jclarke@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk

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We ask that you copy both teachers into the email so that we can collaboratively address your concerns. Please be aware that teachers working that day will answer the emails as soon as possible.

Please remember to sign up for you parents evening slot for next week. If you have any concerns about using google meet please let us know as we can advise you on using this or do the parents evening by a 10 minute phone call if needed. Please remember that parents evenings will be strictly 10 minutes and we will be discussing your child's settling, progress and next steps. If you have any other issue you need to discuss please let us know prior to the appointment so we can ensure we support you in the best way possible.

Please make sure that if you child needs to change their reading book they come into the classroom with it in their hand. As we move forward with our independence skills this will really support them.

As you know we cannot currently share our painting aprons at school. So that we can continue regular painting with your children we ask if you can provide and apron for them to keep in school. This can be an adults old shirt or t-shirt to put on over their uniform.

Some parents have very kindly offered to support with additional resources in school. We are always grateful for any of the following:

- Glue sticks
- Whiteboard pens
- Craft supplies (lolly sticks, paper straws, pipe cleaners, etc.)
- Laminating pouches
- Tissues
- Masking tape
- Felt tip pens

We will keep these in a box for 72 hours before using in school.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or information you feel we need to know via email. We will check our emails before and after school but please feel free to phone the office if you have an urgent query during the school day.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

Thank you for your ongoing support,

The Year One Team