



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

06/11/20

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term, the children have settled in very well and have returned with renewed excitement about the term ahead.

This half term we begin a new curriculum topic: Art Attack. This theme will cover a range of topics and our long-term planning document on the website will give more information on this.

This week in English, we have begun a three week focus on Paragraphs. We are using opinion texts to support the children with this. This week they are pondering the question of whether 'All Cars Should be Yellow,' the children have strong opinions on this and the rich discussions we have in class will help inform their writing. In Maths, we continue (for a final week) on addition and subtraction. The children should be more adept at adding and subtracting with exchanging and we are encouraging more problem solving and reasoning. In Learning for Life and Science we are learning about Healthy Lifestyles and balanced diets. In P.E we have begun a unit of Dance using the music from Matilda.

Reading – the children are all bringing in signed reading books, which is wonderful. We ask that 4 signed reads are completed within the week, teachers will be acknowledging these reads on a regular basis.

Maths – we ask that you practise number bonds with your child and adding and subtracting to support fluency. Most children are now confident using the column method to do so.

As the weather is changing, can we ask that all children bring in a coat (hat and gloves if needed) and separate shoes for the field which can be left at school.

Online resources

All the children have access to the following:

Bug Club – online reading.

Purple Mash – curriculum games and activities.

Times Table Rockstars – times tables activities.

Spelling Shed – spelling games and activities.

Please do make use of these, they are a fantastic resource to support learning in school.

Children in Need

As a school, we are supporting the charity Children in Need. In Year 3 we will be doing the following to raise vital funds for the charity and donations can be made online via the Just Giving page, the information will be sent out in the Newsflash.

Act Your Age activities – Each class will be doing an activity for 7-8 minutes (the age of the children in the year group).

Starlings and Sparrows – 7-8 minutes of colouring

Magpies – 7-8 minutes of Yoga.

Design a Poster competition – The children can design a poster with one of the following themes:

- Encourages children to take 5 minutes time out
- Persuades children to do 5 minutes exercise
- Tells children that there is always an adult to talk to in school
- Displays the importance of being a good friend

They will also be bringing home a poster of Pudsey that they can colour in. There is a special Children in Need gift for the winning entry in each year group.

Mufti Day – On Friday 13th November, all children are invited to come into school wearing mufti. Your child may choose to wear a spotted bandage, spotty t-shirt or any other Pudsey inspired clothing.

Pencil cases – just a reminder that children should only bring in one pencil cases containing the necessary equipment for the school day.

Thanks for your ongoing support.

Kindest regards.

Mrs Woodruff, Miss Brake, Miss Bennett and Miss Flashman