



## Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021

The children have continued to amaze us with their brilliant reports in English this week. It has been lovely to see the children expanding on their ideas within their sentences and using conjunctions. All of the children have remembered to leave a line before starting a new paragraph. As the children have written their reports over the last three weeks, we can see that they have developed their understanding of the layout of a report and we have impressed that all children have included a title, introduction, subheadings and a conclusion. Well done children! Next week, the children will begin a two-week cycle of narrative writing. They will use the text 'The Weather Monster'. Here is a summary of the book- when the weather monster is sad it rains and it has been raining for days! The villagers are desperate for sunshine and so they send Tom up the mountain with some cake. But all that the monster needs, is a friend! The children will be rewriting the story next week with a focus on using different sentence starters to make their writing interesting and engaging for the reader. This is a lovely story and if you would like to listen to it with your child, there is someone narrating the story on YouTube.

We have been really impressed with the children's understanding and knowledge of 3D shapes, we understand that some of the learning at home can be tricky for the children because in school the children would be handling the plastic 3D shapes that we have. When we return to school, we will make sure that we repeat this learning and the children will have an opportunity to feel and count the edges and faces. Next week, the children will be moving on to a new topic and will be learning about data handling. They will be learning how to make their own tally charts, interpreting data about tallies by answering questions. Later in the week, they will learn about pictograms by drawing them with a scale of one and will be answering questions and then they will move on to drawing pictograms that represent 2, 5 or 10 tallies.

We have really enjoyed the guided reading sessions this week. We have had an excellent turnout and it has been great for us to be able to listen to the children and ask them questions. Thank you for supporting the children with coming to the sessions and reading.

Next week the children will be learning the 'soft C' sound in phonics. The speed spell for next week will be the spellings that they learnt this week. It is really important that the children continue revising the previous weeks spellings as we move through the program.

We have enjoyed the daily google meets this week. It is a great way of us keeping in touch with the children and for them to see their friends too. Please keep an eye on the live stream for when these are and the links, we will do our best to move the link to the top of the stream so that you don't miss it. We have also added the times of the meets on to the remote learning timetable. Please can we remind you that the children come in on their school accounts as we are not allowed to admit other accounts due to safeguarding reasons. If they try to come in as non Worplesdon accounts then we have to deny them entry.

Please do email us on the following email addresses: Miss Nutbeen at [snutbeen@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:snutbeen@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk), Mrs Nightingale at [vnightingale@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:vnightingale@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk) and Miss Parker at [lparker@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:lparker@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk). if you have any questions or need further support.

Once again thank you for all the support that you're giving your children during this time and we hope you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Parker, Mrs Nightingale and Miss Nutbeen.