



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 19th March

The children have had another fabulous week in school and have worked really hard to be the best that they can be. They have been learning about our value of the month 'Peace' in assemblies. The children have been able to describe what they do to help them find their inner peace and ways to help them feel calm. The children had some brilliant ideas about how they keep calm and relax. The children continue to amaze us with their resilience and being able to adjust back in to school life whilst having to follow some restrictions. Thank you for following the drop off and pick up routines and for being on time to drop off and pick up your children. This helps us tremendously in being able to settle the children and start the learning promptly. We have noticed that a few children have started to play on the trim trail at the end of the school day, please can we ask that you leave the school grounds as quickly as possible and that the children do not mix with other children from outside their class and family bubbles- thank you!

In English this week, the children have written some brilliant non- chronological reports about 'sloths'. We have been amazed by their knowledge of sloths and the detail that they have added to their reports. The main focus of learning for the three-week topic is being able to write consistently in the present tense. All the children were able to identify words that were linked to the past and present tense. Next week, it is 'tweak week'. The children will be able to choose their own rainforest animal that they will have time to research and write the report. We will continue to focus on writing in the present tense. The children continue to enjoy their daily handwriting sessions. We have worked hard on making sure that their letters are formed correctly and their lead in's and out's are big enough to be able to effectively join their writing. We are working hard to transfer these skills from their handwriting book to every book that they write in!

The children have impressed us with their problem- solving skills of all four operations this week. They have worked in pairs to solve the problems and share their thinking. We have also introduced them to 'number talk' The children have to work out calculations mentally and then explain what strategies they have used to find the answer. We have been really impressed with their thinking. Next week, the children will revisit some of the learning from the spring term. We will revisit 2D and 3D shapes, tallies, pictograms and bar graphs and finding a fraction of a number and a shape.

In phonics next week, the children will be learning about the spelling rule for adding the suffix 'ing'.

Easter gardens – Reminder

As part of our RE topic, we are learning about why Christians celebrate Easter. This week, we have looked at Easter Gardens and how each part of the garden symbolises part of the Easter story. Your child will bring home a copy of their Easter Garden plan with a list of items they would like to use to make their garden. Please could you help your child to find as many of the items as you can and return these to school on Monday 22nd March in a named bag. If you have any spare items (moss, twigs, containers) that you would be happy for any child to use, please could you send these in a separate bag (these will be quarantined before use). Thank you for your support.



Easter Craft- Reminder

We are hoping to do some Easter craft in the last week of term and will need an egg box for each child (6 egg size). If you could start collecting these for us, we would be very grateful. Please send them in when you have some and we can quarantine them.



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It was lovely seeing all the children dressed up today. Thank you for the donations which have all helped a great cause 'Red nose day'.

If you would like donate any resources to the year 2 classes, we would love some felt tip pens and more tissues please!

Please do email us on the following email addresses: 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 . if you have any questions or need further support. Unfortunately, we will have to limit the face to face communication that we have with the parents and the door but please do keep emailing us.

We hope that you have restful weekends.

Miss Parker, Mrs Nightingale and Miss Nutbeen.