



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

11.3.2022

We hope you all enjoyed sharing your child's learning journals with them and thank you for your support returning them back to school. It was great to be able to meet with you all this week and discuss how well your children are doing at parents evenings.

This week's learning:

Our new topic this half term is, 'People Who Help Us'. Each week, we will learn about a new occupation. This week we have learned about Vets. In Literacy, we began by reading a story book about vets and then we modelled drawing a picture from the book, labelling it and adding a sentence. In Phonics, we recapped all previously taught sounds represented by the grapheme (the written form) and we learned the new harder to read and spell words; some, come and there. In Maths, we have continued learning about numbers 9 and 10. We explored numbers to 10 through games such as bingo and comparing numbers. To compare numbers we used the vocabulary more than, fewer than and equal. In PD, we have started to learn the correct letter formation for letters c, a and o. We teach letter formation in 'letter families' that follow the same starting position. After studying new government guidance, seeking advice from external EYFS consultants and moderators we have decided that we will teach print letter formation rather than cursive. As the children move through the school they will then start to learn cursive letter formation.

Next week's learning:

In Literacy, we will be learning about police, we will be reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction books to inspire our writing. Over the week we will be adding labels and sentences to our drawings. In Phonics, we will continue to recap all previously taught sounds represented by the grapheme (the written form) and we will learn the new harder to read and spell words; little, one, do. In Maths, we will be making number 10 by combining different groups to support simple addition. Towards the end of the week we will be starting to look at and describe 3D shapes, we will be using 3D shapes to make repeating patterns and to make models. To describe 3D shapes we use the terms face, vertice and edge. In PD, we will be starting to learn the correct letter formation for letters g, d and q.

Other:

Next week we will be starting to make 3D models as part of our focus and continuous provision learning. With this in mind we are in desperate need of some junk modelling in both classes, if you are able to donate any clean recycling items to us we would really appreciate it. The materials we need are thin cardboard that the children can cut themselves e.g. toilet roll tubes or cardboard tubes, cereal boxes and small food boxes, thin plastic pots or containers such as yoghurt pots, bottle lids and fruit punnets. Thank you in advance for this!

Next week, we will be carrying out lots of activities to support our fundraising drive for Comic Relief. Please have a look at the information below and if you can, please donate to our fundraising page as we know the money raised will go towards helping lots of families in the community. <https://www.justgiving.com/Radhika-Woodruff>.

On **Monday 14th March** children are invited to design and make a habitat box for their red nose. These can be brought into school on Friday to be judged throughout the day by the school council. It should be colourful, amusing, red and recyclable or reusable.

On **Wednesday 16th March** there will be a bake sale afterschool please bring any cake donations to class on Wednesday morning. The sale will be held in the PAC at pick up.

On **Thursday 17th March** we will be taking part in red nose races (Reception have PE on Thursday so we will already be in our PE kits).

On **Friday 18th March** children are invited to come to school wearing red. Any habitat boxes should be taken to the PAC on Friday drop off to be judged.

Have a wonderful weekend!
The Early Years Team