



# October 2022 Newsletter

*Helping your child develop a love for life and learning*

## Value of the month – Unity

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been a great start to the term. We have enjoyed meeting our new joiners in Swifts, Swallows & Penguins, as well as those joining in other year groups. I have been impressed with how well the children have settled and extremely proud of the values they have already demonstrated this year.

### Living by our values

In our assemblies last month, we focused on the value of responsibility – being dependable, making good choices, and taking accountability for your actions. We then moved onto learning that a responsible person looks out for the well being of others and understands we all have a part to play in making the world a better place. This month, we turn our attention to unity. We will discuss that united means being united as a whole and making sure that all differences are brought together and that we will work together in harmony. We will be sharing the important message that a community is united, if it is working together to achieve better things and everyone is playing their part. I would love to celebrate your children showing these values beyond school. If you have any examples, please email me ([head@worpleston.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:head@worpleston.surrey.sch.uk)) and I will ensure they receive a special certificate from me. Please be re-assured that I can give my certificates out discreetly for those children who would prefer!

### Parent Consultations

The teaching team are looking forward to meeting with you face to face for your Autumn term Parent Consultations on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Within the meeting, your child's class teacher will share how your child has settled, sharing information on their social and emotional development including the values they live by. They will share with you their assessments of your child's strengths and next steps in reading, writing and maths. Please can you email your child's class teacher beforehand if there is anything that you wish to discuss to ensure that this is addressed in the meeting; we do not want you to leave feeling frustrated with unanswered queries. Look out for more information next week on how to book your appointment. As in previous years, before COVID-19, there will be opportunities for you to look through your child's workbooks, catch up with other parents and speak with myself and other leaders across the school.

### Leadership structure

Over the last three years, our leadership structure has evolved so that we have the right leadership capacity to meet the needs of our schools, as well as providing opportunities for staff to grow and develop which has aided retention, as well as placing staff in a position to support in other schools. As most of you will be aware, for the academic year 2021-22, I was appointed as Acting Executive Headteacher over Wood Street Infant School, Worpleston Primary School & 4 other schools with the Bright Futures Learning Trust (BFLT). During this time, staff were given many opportunities to step up into new acting roles as shown below.

With myself and other leaders returning full-time from September, we are focusing on ensuring the federation of Wood Street Infant School & Worpleston Primary School is a successful one - focused on all children excelling emotionally, socially and academically. In consultation with our external school improvement consultant, we have designed our leadership structure for 2022-2023 across the federation of schools as shown below.

<b>Executive Head Teacher (Mrs O'Brien)</b> Lead the strategic direction of the new federation of schools to secure outstanding provision across all areas of OFSTED framework Securing outstanding leadership and management <b>Project</b> – sustain and raise standards in EYFS including nursery development (attend PPA, teach, team teaching, design & delivery of interventions) <b>Outward facing</b> – MAT agenda, support tutor for teaching school, mentor / coach new heads					
<b>Deputy Head Teacher (Mrs Bassett-Cross)</b> Securing Secure an outstanding quality of education with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• securing an outstanding curriculum</li> <li>• securing outstanding inclusion &amp; SEND provision</li> </ul> Securing outstanding Personal Development <b>Project</b> – raising standards in year 4 (attend PPA, teach, team teaching, design & delivery of interventions) <b>Additional teaching commitment</b> – year 3 interventions <b>Opportunity</b> – develop nursery provision <b>Outward facing</b> – Centre hub			<b>Deputy Head Teacher (Mrs Woodruff)</b> Securing an outstanding quality of education with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• delivery (T&amp;L)</li> <li>• impact (assessment)</li> </ul> Securing outstanding Behaviour & Attitudes <b>Project</b> – raising standards in year 6 (mentor & coach year 6 leader, attend PPA, teach, team teaching, delivery of interventions) <b>Additional teaching commitment</b> – year 1 interventions <b>Opportunity</b> – support Head in engagement with potential MAT's <b>Outward facing</b> – KS2 moderation		
<b>Assistant Head at Wood Street (Miss Potter)</b> Across WSI raise standards across the school (mentor & coach year R leader, attend PPA, teach,	<b>Assistant Head (Mr Torjussen) with class</b> Across WSI & WPS, raise standards by developing outdoor learning (i.e. SOLD)	<b>Assistant Head (Miss Parker) without class</b> Across WSI & WPS raise standards in year 2 (mentor & coach year 2 leader, attend PPA, teach,	<b>Assistant Head (Miss Dunne) with class</b> Across WSI & WPS raise the quality of provision for ECT's (designing, implementing, monitoring induction	<b>Assistant Head (Mr Clifton) without class</b> Across WSI & WPS raise standards in year 5 (mentor & coach year 5 leader, attend PPA, teach,	<b>Assistant Head for inclusion (Mrs Earl-Smith) without class</b> Across WSI & WPS raise standards in mainstream provision for SEND

team teaching, design & delivery of interventions)	Secure outstanding School Council	team teaching, design & delivery of interventions)  Secure outstanding BFC/ASC	and training programme, monitor and support mentors)	team teaching, design & delivery of interventions)  Secure outstanding assessment, use of IT to including Google hub school	Working with the Local Authority e.g. /send panels, SENDCO network meetings
<b>The Head of Centre and Year Leaders will continue to support, mentor and coach their teams to providing the best education within their team</b>					

Finally, as always, please continue to provide your feedback directly to the team at Worplesdon so that we know what we are doing well and those areas you would like to improve.

Best wishes,



Kareen O'Brien  
Head Teacher



#### NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please can we remind you that we are a Nut-Free school. Our aim is to protect children who have allergies to nuts, therefore we do not allow nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes.

Our 'Nut-Free Policy' means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts
- Any home cooked meals for packed lunches that are made from nuts

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

#### NATIONAL TRUST

The National Trust are offering a free visit for up to 2 adults and 4 kids so it could be a great day for half term (or any other day before 30th October).

[Escape into autumn](#)



#### ROLL WITH IT FOOTBALL COACHING

If you are looking for a football club, you may want to find out more about Roll With It Football Coaching. Ben, a professional football coach and founder of Roll With It Football Coaching worked at Worplesdon for many years. He has now started his own company. Please see the message below from Ben and a link to his website...

"I provide a holistic approach to technical, physical and cognitive development of individual players. I started playing football at the age of 8 playing at my local grassroots club. As I progressed through the age groups I soon got chosen to represent my league with a representative team made of the best players. My footballing journey then saw me play for Millwall FC Academy as a youth & Crawley Town.

These personal experiences shaped my ability to empathise, understand and motivate young aspiring footballers to reach their personal goals – an ability which has evolved further through 20 years of coaching within Chelsea Football Club within its Foundation & its Academy."

<http://www.rollwithitfootball.com/>

#### BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is Black History Month in the UK, an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years.

The month was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK over many generations.

Now, Black History Month has expanded to include the history of not just African and Caribbean people but black people in general.

<https://youtu.be/8Wmvk4RJ8dA>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m001crtf/jojo-gran-gran-series-2-autumn-1-its-time-to-go-on-a-voyage>

