

NEWS FLASH

Friday 14th October 2022

HALF TERM

We would like to remind you that school finishes next Friday, 21st October for the half term break. Children will need to be picked up at normal time:



- Infant children (Reception, Year 1 and 2) 8.40am (8.50am registration) to 3.10pm
- Junior children (Year 3, 4, 5 & 6) 8.50am (9.00am registration) to 3.20pm

Children will return to school on Tuesday 1st November, as Monday 31st October is an inset day focusing on our curriculum.



PARENTS CONSULTATION MEETINGS

As you will be aware Parents Consultation Meetings will be held on Wednesday 2nd November (3.30pm-6.30pm) and Thursday 3rd November (4.30pm-7.30pm).

Parents/Carers will be able to book appointments via their ParentMail account from 6.00pm on Wednesday 19th October.

ORANGE OCTOBER FOR CHALLENGERS

This coming Thursday (20th October) the children are invited to come into school in orange mufti as a fundraiser for the local charity Challengers. This could be an orange jumper or something that has a small amount of orange on it. If your



child has no orange at all then they can come in wearing red or yellow. We are asking that families make an optional donation directly to Challengers using the following link https://disability-challengers.org/donate/. Thank you for your support.



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Henry T, a pupil in Year 6, has set himself the aspirational target of cycling 100miles across the South Downs way over the half term. Our keen adventurer, will be camping out at night and cycling up to 25miles per day with his dad. As an additional incentive to complete the course, Henry would like to raise money for Worplesdon Primary School. If you are able to support Henry on his expedition please click on the following link:

https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/ndJwN

JUNIOR CHOIR - CHANGE OF TIME

If your child attends Junior Choir after school on a Monday, please note after half term this club will now run until 4.15pm. Thank you.





WATCHES

Children are allowed to wear watches into school if they are interested in and are starting to tell the time e.g. can do o'clock and half past. We would like to remind you that **NO smart watches** are allowed.

SPORTS KITS

Please, please can we ask if your child has been selected to represent the school in a sporting event and has taken home a school sports kit (netball kit, football kit or blue sports t-shirt) that it is returned as soon as possible. These kits need to be returned to school, so that they can be used by children for the next event. Thank you.



THIS WEEK'S SPORTING EVENTS

Football

On Tuesday, Worplesdon Primary School sent two intrepid teams of boys to take on Holy Trinity at football. It was almost literally two games of two halves: on one pitch, WPS Bs tried to pressure HT early on but ended up conceding 3 goals in the first half, whereas the other pitch was a much tighter affair with both A teams still figuring each other out. After half time, the pressure the As were feeling finally got too much and alas HT were incisive and scored several goals; the other pitch saw the Bs find their composure and structure, and not only kept a second half clean sheet, but also nearly scored one or two of our own.

Whilst the results didn't go our way, the boys showed great determination, and kept up their enthusiasm and energy throughout the afternoon.



Special mention to Oliver K, whom the referee singled out as being a star performer (in goal)!

The next day, we sent another two teams, this time our Year 5 and 6 girls were wearing the WPS crest!

In one team, the girls played extremely well, smiles seen all around despite the score. The focus was to enjoy the friendly and have fun, and boy did they! Shortly into the first half, the girls were developing their tactics and soon learnt to spread wider and not all chase the ball. The team fearlessly chased down the ball, didn't give up, and improved massively throughout the game. HT had an extra player on the pitch (by mistake!) so 0-0 at half time felt like a win! Congratulations to Amy who was voted Girl of the Game by the HT team for OUTSTANDING goalkeeping, fearlessly saving with feet, knees and hands.

In the other girls' team, for many it was their first game of competitive football, and the girls played valiantly. They improved their game with every play, developing their passing and defending valiantly. Unfortunately, a few unlucky long balls from the HT keeper led to some excellent goals from seasoned HT strikers. The girls could not be faulted for their display of resilience, teamwork, effort and smiling faces! It was a great experience that they enjoyed and took a lot from, hopefully sparking a hunger for the upcoming girls' tournament! Congratulations to Roseanne for her stellar performance in goal, winning her Girl of the Game (voted for by the HT team).

Cross-Country

At the Cross-Country event being also being held at Holy Trinity, the children that ran were BRILLIANT!! There were obviously a few nerves - when we arrived at the Downs the kids were in



awe of the view - but they all supported each other so well. It was a tough course but very scenic!

Best bit of all was that they were all absolutely buzzing after finishing!! Their faces were great!! Most of them finished in a higher position than at the last race of the series.

As with all of our sporting events, many thanks to all the parents/carers who were so supportive.



Netball

Our two Year 5 & 6 netball teams played against Send Primary School yesterday. One team won 8-1 and the other 3-0. The children played extremely well, showing their passing skills, dodging ability and their shooting skills. Mrs O'Brien was impressed with them all.

A huge thank you to parents / carers for your continued support.