

# Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

#### 3.2.2023

### Dear Parents / Carers,

What a fun-filled week it has been! We are so proud of the children's progress and it is a pleasure to watch them grow in confidence each and every day.

## This week

In Literacy, we have read the story 'Dear Greenpeace' written by Simon James. The children have written facts about whales and have even written their own letters. We have focussed on hearing each sound that we want to write in a word, labelling pictures and writing sentences.

In Maths, we have subitised (seeing the amount not counting) within 5 to find out how many there were altogether. We have also been exploring different ways to make numbers to 5 through number stories and using a part whole model and fives frames to show our learning.

On Friday morning we had an African Drumming workshop linked to our topic of Around the World. The children thoroughly enjoyed this!

#### **Phonics**

This week has been review week in Phonics and we have revised all previously taught sounds. Please see all the sounds taught so far this term. Please continue to practice these at home with your child.

| ar                 | ur  | oo (f <u>oo</u> d) | or         | ow (growl) |
|--------------------|-----|--------------------|------------|------------|
| oi                 | ear | air                | ure (sure) | er         |
| ow (sn <u>ow</u> ) |     |                    |            |            |

We have also taught the following harder to read and spell words; when, what.

Please continue to hear your child read and encourage them to spot taught sounds and blend to read words. Regular practice of recognising harder to read and spell words will also be a great support. We really appreciate your partnership in helping your child to read.

## **Golden Leaf Winners**

#### **Swifts**

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| 3.2.23  |       | For being such a superstar in our learning areas and joining in lots in group and whole classians |  |
|         |       | sessions.   |  |
| 3.2.23  | Asher | For choosing his learning so carefully and working well with lots of children in the class.       |  |

### **Swallows**

| 3.2.23 | II.   | For being a resilient tortoise when coming into school and getting straight on with her learning. Well done! |
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| 3.2.23 | Eliza | For taking time and care to form her letters correctly duirng phonics sessions. Well done!                   |



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#### Next week's learning:

In Literacy, we will be exploring animals in their natural environments and discussing how it is helpful for us all to look after the environment. We will link our learning back to the story 'Dear Greenpeace' and write letters about ways we can help look after the environment e.g. putting litter in the bin.

In Maths, we will be using balance scales to learn about mass / weight. The children will explore what happens to the balance when objects are placed in the pans. We will use the words heavy / light / heavier / lighter to compare different objects.

In PSED, we will be thinking about our goals for the future. We will discuss what we will need to learn to help us achieve our goals.

## <u>Other</u>

- The children thoroughly enjoyed our visit from The Pied Piper Theatre Company today, who performed their show 'Burglar Bill'. They have forwarded a link of their dress rehearsal performance so that the children can watch it again and share it with their families, we hope you enjoy it! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qoN6MooAdTc
- Please can we ask that library books are returned on a Wednesday as this is our library day.

#### **Contact**

Please do contact us if you have any questions or concerns using our email addresses below. Alternatively, you can call into the office or catch us on the door in the mornings or afternoons.

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We hope you have a wonderful weekend 😊



Best wishes,

The Early Years Team