

February 2023 Newsletter

Helping your child develop a love for life and learning

A MESSAGE FROM MRS O'BRIEN

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been a great start to 2023 at our schools with children working hard on both their academic skills and their social skills. As values-based schools, we strive to instill values that guide our thinking and behaviour. During January, the children have focused on 'resilience and perseverance' and have been inspired by those who have overcome adversity. We have explored what we can do to help our resilience and perseverance, including: the importance of having a plan, knowing mistakes are merely lessons, having passion, overcoming fear, working together and appreciating the journey. I would love to hear about any examples of your child(ren) showing resilience and perseverance; I can celebrate this either in assembly or quietly through a note home. This month we are learning how to live with honesty and trust in our hearts.

With values in mind, please can I remind parents of the importance of driving safely around the school site. Worryingly, there have been at least three incidents (that I know of) whereby the driver of the car mounted the kerb whilst children were walking along the path. I thank you in anticipation for your support in ensuring Fairlands is a safe place to walk. To support families, senior leaders are running a daily walking bus (with a drop of from 8.25 and leaving for school at 8.35); it would be great to see more families using this free service.

Finally, I would like to finish with exciting news. Today, the governing body of the Federation of Wood Street Infant School and Worplesdon Primary School have launched a consultation with parents, carers, staff, and the community on a proposal to open a nursery at either Wood Street Infant School or Worplesdon Primary School. I would really appreciate you taking some time to read the consultation document that will be sent via ParentMail later today

In addition to speaking to leaders on the school gates, we are holding the following consultation dropin sessions for parents/carers and other interested parties to have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have and to speak to governors and staff about the proposed federation.

Consultation Drop-Ins		
At Wood Street Infant School	At Worplesdon Primary School	
8 th March between 6pm and 6:45pm face to	9 th March between 6pm and 6:45pm face to face	
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Once you have had time to find out about our proposal, I would be very grateful if you could complete our short survey so that we can collect your views which will be sent via ParentMail and will go live on Monday.

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Kareen O'Brien



Updates & Dates

WEEKLY UPDATE FOR EARLY BIRDS AND NIGHT OWLS

This week at Night Owls our focus has been around National Storytelling Week. The children have all loved making sock puppets using their own imagination. It proved so popular we had to put out an appeal for more odd socks! The children then had great fun using their puppets to put on shows using their own handmade theatre. The children all took turns telling stories and watching other children perform theirs.



The roleplay area was based around the book The Zoo Vet and the children had stuffed animals, a doctor's kit and animal headbands to act out their own vet stories. The tuff tray/sensory area was based around the book The Superworm and the children used giant tweezers to dig in the dirt for pretend worms. Children also had the opportunity to go into the library to read books and have stories read to them by a member of staff. We also let the children complete their clay models from last week by painting them and then taking them home.

Unwanted barbies

If you're having a sort out at home and have some unwanted barbies, after school club would love to take them off your hands as we only have a couple and they're very popular! Please drop them to the office and they will be passed on. Thanking you in anticipation.

Thank you to all the parents who have sent back the 'All about me' forms. This really helps us to know how to support your child in the clubs. As a reminder, if you're struggling to add photos or write on the form, then please let us know and we can print one off for you. You can also send the photographs via email and we can print them off and add them to the forms. Please email lparker@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk if you have any questions or you wish to send the photographs.

As a reminder, the mobile phone number is 07857 852603. It is for both clubs and is for you to call if you are held up or if there are sudden changes to pick up or drop off arrangements. You can call in the morning too if you need an emergency space and she can let you know if there is a space that morning.

REMINDER – PERFORMING ART CENTRE

Please can we remind you that NO adults or non Worplesdon children should be using the toilet in the Performing Art Centre until after 3.20pm, as this space is a functioning classroom. Therefore, due to safeguarding regulations this toilet should only be used by Worplesdon pupils and staff during the school day.

If you need to use these facilities, please go to the School Office, thank you.





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BERTIE BOOS' NEWSFLASH

13th March	Nutrition and Hydration week Stay hydrated and drinks lots of water, Bertie and I love drinking water it makes us feel awake and full of energy.
	We get really thirsty especially after walks. We have our water bowls full at all times, make sure you do the same.
	Fruit and vegetables are so good for you. We love carrots the, taste and crunch is delicious. Try Adding a healthy snack to your packed lunch.
17th March	World Sleep Day
	Remember little humans need 8-11 hours' sleep Every night.
18th March	Comic Relief / Red Nose Day
	Let's all come together to raise some smiles and some money to help people
	through the toughest time of their lives.
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