



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 10th February

We have finished this half term with a successful and fun week of learning.

Earlier in the week, the children enjoyed creating their own Mr Men characters. Later, they planned and wrote stories about their new characters which included their new writing skill of using and punctuating direct speech. We have been so impressed with their enthusiasm for this unit and their determination to master this new skill.

Why not ask your children to show you their new writing skill during half term? If you and your child have a chat, your child can practise writing your conversation into direct speech sentences with speech punctuation and reporting clauses. We would love to see any practise they do at home.

In maths, the children continued to show their resilience and curiosity when working with fractions this week. We have ordered and compared fractions, and finished the week by finding equivalent fractions.

In art, the children continued to analyse cave paintings from the Stone Age. They went out into the school grounds to find natural resources to create their own cave paintings and then used these to explore mark-making using the appropriately coloured paints. They absolutely loved this!

Butser Farm

Our visit to Butser Park Farm is on Thursday 23rd February, which is during the first week back after half term.

On the day of the trip, the children will need to wear their school polo shirts and jumpers/cardigans and alternative comfortable bottoms (such as jogging trousers or leggings). They need to come into school in sensible shoes (such as their school shoes/trainers) and bring a change of footwear (such as old trainers/wellies) which they will change into when they arrive at the farm. This change of footwear needs to be in a named plastic bag. The children will also need a packed lunch and water bottle, all named in a back pack.

We will be outside for most of the day so please make sure your child has a named waterproof coat with a hood and other accessories for colder weather, such as a hat and gloves.

Reminders

Swimming lessons start on Monday 27th February. In addition, on Monday 20th February it is an INSET day therefore we will see the children back at school on Tuesday 21st February. Please remember that children need to be in school uniform on Tuesdays going forward (PE kits Mondays and Wednesdays).

Golden Leaves

Congratulations to these children for receiving a golden leaf this week:

Alice - For brilliant enthusiasm and effort in phonics this week.

Lydia - For showing outstanding manners each and every day.

Theo - For his understanding of unit and non unit fractions and being able to show them on a number line.

Joseph F - For settling so well into Sparrows and gaining in confidence. It has been lovely to see you asking for help when you are not sure.

Elliott - For settling in at Worplesdon amazingly well and trying his best with his reading and writing.

Ethan S - For outstanding effort and enthusiasm in all lessons and being a good friend to others.

Isabella - For giving clear and accurate reasoning answers in maths this week whilst ensuring use of mathematical vocabulary.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher.

Wishing you a restful and happy half term.

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