



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 10th March 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had another busy week in Year 1. It was lovely to be able to meet with so many of you this week for parent's consultation meetings. We really enjoyed being able to share your children's successes with you. If you were unable to make it then please let us know and we will arrange a time to meet you.

Thank you for all your kind donations for the Someone Special sale which will take place on Friday 17th March.

We will also be celebrating Comic Relief next Friday and the children are invited to come to school in red mufti and with funny hair if they would like to. There is also a design a red nose competition for them to enter.

Forest School Update

Thank you for all your understanding with the different timings for Forest School this week. Next week Forest School should be back to the normal timetable.

Golden Leaf Winners

Finches

10.3.23	Ellie	Silver	For showing independence when working in phonics.
10.3.23	Oliver	Gold	For showing independence when he completes chilli challenges.

Blackbirds

10.3.23	Esmae	Silver	For great discussion and partner work in learning for life.
10.3.23	Riley	Silver	For working really hard on his phonics and new sounds.

Curriculum

As writers we have been writing our invented version of How to Catch a Dragon. Our focus has been identifying and using adverbs in our writing.

As mathematicians we have been exploring the place value of numbers up to 50. The children have been explaining that 43 is 43 because it has 4 tens and 3 ones.

As artists we are creating our own artwork inspired by Matisse's 'The Snail'.

As athletes we are continuing a second unit called Hit, Run, Catch. This week we have been practising hitting a ball with power.

As computing experts we have continued to use 2Create a Story on PurpleMash to write and illustrate our own animated stories.

As historians we have explored old and new toys and made our own thaumatropes.

In Learning for Life we have continued to think about how to make healthy lifestyle choices with a focus on a balanced diet.



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Phonics

In phonics we have been reviewing the alternative graphemes taught so far as well as introducing the following alternative graphemes.

Sound (phoneme)	Alternative grapheme learnt	Example word
s	ce	fence
s	se	mouse
n	gn	gnome
n	kn	knight
r	wr	wrap
m	mb	lamb

It is really helpful if the children can use the sheet that we sent home to practise the graphemes learnt. The word mats that also came home are words that children need to read and spell by the end of Year 1 so any work on these is really beneficial.

The banded books that have been sent home match your child's phonic knowledge so please hear them read at least **3 times a week and record it in their reading diary**.

Numbots

NumBots is an online game and playing little and often will significantly improve your child's recall and understanding of number bonds and addition and subtraction facts. These are critical foundations in maths so we are excited by the impact NumBots will have. It would be helpful if your child could spend some time at home playing on NumBots.

Below is a reminder of the children's log in details.

Username: 21 first four letters of forename and first four letters of surname. For example: 21chlosmit

Password: 21Redman

The children can also log in with a pin which they have been doing in class. If you want to know the pin, please speak to your child's class teacher.

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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Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

The Year One Team



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