



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 21st April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a wonderful first week we have had. the children have come back happy, settle and ready to learn.

Class Assemblies

Both Finches and Blackbirds will be putting on class assemblies after the Easter holidays.

Finches - Friday 28th April at 2.30pm

Blackbirds - Friday 5th May at 2.30pm.

Golden Leaf Winners

Finches

21.4.23	Harry	Gold	For working independently to write his own version of Jasper's Beanstalk.
21.4.23	Margot	Gold	For always living by the school values.

Blackbirds

21.4.23	Olive	Bronze	For great independent use of the writing toolkit in her work.
21.4.23	Florence	Gold	For working really hard on using good handwriting across all her work.
21.4.23	Chloe	Gold	For great answers and discussion during Learning for Life lessons.

Curriculum

As writers we have used the story 'Jasper's Beanstalk' to learn how to use amazing sentence starters in our writing. We have been retelling the story and using all of the skills we have been taught this year to make it more amazing.

As mathematicians we have been learning about multiplication. We have used our knowledge of counting in 2's, 5's and 10's to group, count groups and find total. We have also used repeated addition for multiplication, solved problems and learnt the 'x' symbol.

As artists we have learnt about sculpture and looked at famous sculptures. We have learnt how to use clay to create a sculpture of a minibeast.

As athletes we are learning how to move our bodies safely and balance through our gymnastics unit. We are also learning about races and how to run, throw and jump.

As computing experts we are recapping what we have already learnt on coding and applying this to some trickier programs.

In RE we have been learning plants and what they need to grow. We have begun to grow our own plants.

In Learning for Life we have been thinking about our families and why they are special. We have also been talking about how all families are different.



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Resources

We have now started our Art unit on sculpture and would appreciate some junk modelling contributions. If you have any small cardboard boxes (must be smaller than a standard tissue box) pipe cleaners, lolly sticks and other craft items we would gratefully receive them. Please do not bring in any larger boxes as we will not be able to use these. We also welcome any donation of tissues as we use a lot of these.

Phonics

In phonics we are now recapping and embedding all of the sounds we have learnt this year, including the alternative sounds. The children practice reading and writing daily with their sounds and paired read daily to practice them further.

It is really helpful if you can practice reading and spelling the common exception words that were sent home on parents evening. The children can also practice spelling days of the week and number names to twenty.

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

We are urging all children to regularly use numbots at home to practice their maths fluency. We are hoping to be sharing the certificates they earn at school and would love to celebrate with all children.

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.

Our term fees letter will be sent out soon which shows any costs that need to be covered this half term. Please speak to staff if you have any concerns about this.

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,

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