Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 28th April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had another busy week in Year 1 and the children have been working hard. We are very proud of how brilliant Finches were in their class assembly!

Next week Mr T is going on the Year 4 residential trip from Wednesday to Friday. Finches will be taught by Mrs Weller (Weds - Thurs am) and Mrs Tubb (Thurs pm - Fri). If you need to get in touch with the team please either email the school office or Miss Francis/Mrs Clarke.

Class Assemblies

We hope that you enjoyed Finches class assembly and are as proud of them as we are!

Next week it is Blackbird's turn to perform their assembly on Friday 5th May at 2.30pm.

Golden Leaf Winners

Finches

28.4.23	Lily S	Gold	For showing enthusiasm and independence in phonics this week.
28.4.23	Flo	Gold	For showing empathy by supporting her friends in class.
Blackbirds			
28.4.23	George	Gold	For excellent writing, thinking about punctuation and reading it back.
28.4.23	Lola	Gold	For showing great resilience in her work and returning to tasks until she has mastered them.
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Curriculum

As writers we have been continuing to use the story 'Jasper's Beanstalk' to write using amazing sentence starters in our writing. We have been writing our own tweaked version of 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 work with repeated addition and arrays.

As artists we have learnt about sculpture and looked at famous sculptures. We have learnt how to used clay to create a sculpture of a minibeast of their choice. This week they have been exploring ways of joining clay together.

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.



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In Science we have been learning about the different parts of a plant and the role these parts play in helping the plant to grow. We have also been tending to the plants we grew last week.

In Learning for Life we have been thinking about what makes a good friend and how we can show that we are a good friend.

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 practise reading and writing daily with their sounds and paired read daily to practise them further.

It is really helpful if you can practise reading and spelling the common exception words that were sent home on parents evening. The children can also practise 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 practise their maths fluency. We are hoping to begin 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,

The Year One Team



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