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Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 28th April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a busy week we've had in Year 2! We have continued our new topic 'Amazing People' and have been learning about Mary Seacole. Over the next term, we will spend time exploring some more inspirational people in history and English.

This week in English, the children have been having a go at writing their own story based on 'The Bog Baby'. We have been so impressed with their imaginative writing! Next week, we will be looking at performance poetry. The children will have the opportunity to learn some poems and perform these in class.

In Maths this week, the children have been revisiting their learning about the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Next week, we will continue to review our maths learning so far.

Resources

We are running very low on whiteboard pens in Year 2. We would really appreciate any donations of these, as we use them every day for our learning.

Wisley Gardens Trip

On Friday 5th May 2023, we will be taking the children to Wisley Gardens as part of our Science topic (plants). Please ensure your child has permission to go on the school trip. Please note that if we do not have permission to take your child off site, they will be unable to come on the trip. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Your child will need to come to school on Friday with a backpack, a packed lunch and a water bottle. They will also need to bring suitable clothing for the weather e.g. a waterproof jacket if it is rainy or sun cream if the sun decides to come out! As we will be doing a lot of walking, the children are able to come to school in leggings/jogging bottoms and trainers. Please ensure children are wearing their school polo and jumper.

SATs

It's that busy time of year again, when the children in Year 2 are sitting their SATs assessments. The end of Key Stage 1 (end of Year 2) assessment is a teacher assessment. The SATs tests are used as part of a bank of evidence to help the class teachers assess the children against the National Curriculum criteria. Please do not worry and if possible, try not to build anticipation or awareness with your children about 'tests'. We will be administering these tests during the month of May. The children are completing these statutory assessments in small groups in the familiarity of their own classrooms. Whilst some children are completing the assessments, the rest of the children will be on the field practicing their races for sports day. Though there are firm DFE guidelines, the 'tests' will not feel completely different to the work the children do on a daily basis. The children are not aware that they are completing assessments; they have instead been told they are on 'special missions'.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Parent Workshop

Thank you to the parents who made it to our Maths parent workshop. We hope you found it helpful. We will be sending out the slides shortly for any parents who were unable to attend.

History resources

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As part of our History topic 'Amazing People', we will be learning about Grace Darling and making lighthouses. We would appreciate any donations of Pringles tubes please.

Golden Leaves

Congratulations to all of our golden leaf recipients this week! Well done for all of your hard work - we are so proud of you!

Larks

Sophia - For some fantastic maths this week - showing your working and trying so hard with reasoning and problem solving - well done!

Amber - For sharing some great discussion points in History when talking about Mary Seacole and her amazing work - well done!

Doves

Ezra - For his outstanding attitude to learning and for always showing the school values in around the school - Well Done!

Leila - For always trying her best in everything that she does, showing resilience and determination to complete her work - Well Done!

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions throughout the year. Our email addresses are below.

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