



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

19. 5.2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a fun week we have had! We were so impressed with how the children represented the school at Bocketts Farm and they all spent the day with smiles on their faces. We are also very proud of how brilliant Swallows were in their class assembly! Well done children!

This week

In Literacy, the children have tweaked a 'That's not my ...' book by changing the animal. We tweaked our text map, retold our new stories and used our text maps to support our sentence writing.

In Maths, we have focussed on adding more. We have used the language 'first', 'then' and 'now' to describe our number stories. For example, 'First, there were two dinosaurs. Then, one more dinosaur came along. So how many dinosaurs do we have altogether now?'

On Thursday, we went to Bocketts Farm. We stroked guinea pigs, a rabbit and a chicken. Next, we went on a tractor ride and learned lots of interesting facts about the animals. We then stroked and fed (if we wanted to) sheep, goats and cows. We were so impressed with how gentle the children were when stroking the animals and how brave lots of the children were when feeding the animals. After this, we had lunch in our own barn and finally, we watched the pig race, which was so much fun!

Phonics

In Phonics, it has been review week. We have recapped all previously taught sounds and graphemes and applied our phonic knowledge to orally blending, reading and writing CCCVC words.

Please continue to practice the following HRS (harder to read and spell) words at home with your child.

said	so	have	were	out
like	what	some	come	there
Little	one	do	children	love

The banded books that have been sent home match your child's phonic knowledge so please hear them read regularly at home. We really appreciate your partnership in helping your child to read.

Golden Leaf Winners

Swifts

19.5.23	Freddie	For amazing reading this week, well done!
19.5.23	Sky W	For always listening so carefully on the carpet and being ready to learn.

Swallows

19.5.23	Hugo	For creating a tank using junk modelling and writing a list of resources and instructions so his friends could make it too. Well done
19.5.23	Isabelle	For practising multiple lines for the class assembly using a lovely loud clear voice. Well



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Next week's learning:

In Literacy, we will use our trip to Bocketts Farm as inspiration for our writing. The children will be drawing pictures of their favourite parts of the trip and using sounds to label their pictures and writing sentences to match. We will focus on children verbalising their sentences first to help them sequence the words they want to write. We will also be focussing on letter formation, using the ELS mnemonics and rhymes to help us.

In Maths, we will focus on taking away using a range of games for support. We will use number stories to introduce this mathematical concept and continue to use the language of 'First, Then and Now' for example, First there were 5 cars in the car park. Then 2 cars drove away. How many cars are left in the car park? Now there are 3 cars in the car park.

In Expressive Arts and Design (EAD), we will be focussing on using pencils to shade and adding texture to the children's pictures.

Other

- **Swifts Class assembly- Thursday 25th May**

Please continue to help your child practice their lines. Thank you in advance for your support with 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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We hope you have a lovely weekend. 😊

Best wishes,

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