



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

26. 5.2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

As another half term draws to an end we want to say thank you for all your continued support and lovely feedback, we really do appreciate it. It has been another great week in Reception this week and the children have been working hard on all their learning. We also need to say a huge well done to Swifts on their brilliant class assembly! Well done children!

This week

In Literacy, we have used our trip to Bocketts Farm as inspiration for our writing. The children have drawn pictures of their favourite parts of the trip and used sounds to label their pictures and written sentences to match. We have focussed on children verbalising their sentence first to help them sequence the words they want to write. We have also been focussing on letter formation, using the ELS mnemonics and rhymes to help us.

In Maths, we have focussed on taking away using a range of games for support. We have used number stories to introduce this mathematical concept and continued 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 Forest School this week the children have been learning so much about the outdoors. We have been looking for minibeasts, learning about where they like to live and starting to identify them. We also made repeating pattern pictures using the natural objects we found.

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

26.5.23	Lydia	For singing and speaking so clearly in our class assembly, well done.
26.5.23	Meadow	For speaking so clearly and confidently in our class assembly, well done.



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Swallows

26.5.23	Florence	For being a curious cat during our visit to forest school. Florence asked lots of amazing questions about the natural environment. Well done!
26.5.23	William	For always taking care and consideration when being creative, William will invest time and energy into his projects until it is finished, he shows great perseverance and never gives up! Well done!
26.05.23	Sienna	For always being a kind and caring friend, Sienna looks out for those around her and always includes them in her games. Well done!

After half term's learning:

In Literacy, we will be using the text 'The Extraordinary Gardener' to inspire our writing. We will link this to understanding the world and how plants grow. We will use a 'Story S' to help us sequence and retell the story. The children will be writing sentences to match parts of the story.

In Maths, we will be learning our doubles in a range of activities such as making doubling butterflies and using numicon.

In Expressive Arts and Design (EAD), we will be focussing on observational drawing. We will be looking carefully at objects such as flowers and using pencils to draw outlines and then shading to add texture and details.

In Phonics the children will be learning the new sounds and graphemes (written representation) for example; ay (day), ou (cloud), ie (pie), ea (leap) and new harder to read and spell words over the coming weeks.

Other

- As the sun gets stronger, please remember to apply sunscreen before coming to school. Please make sure they have a sun hat in school that is **named**.
- Please make sure all jumpers and cardigans are **clearly named** as it really helps us to return them to the children.
- Swallows class have said farewell to Miss Panton who has moved to a new role in the Haven and welcomed Miss Bennett.

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 fantastic, fun filled half term! 😊

Best wishes,

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