

### June 2023 Newsletter

### Helping your child develop a love for life and learning

#### A MESSAGE FROM MRS O'BRIEN

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had a wonderful half term break and you are ready for the last few weeks of term, which promises to be busy but enormous fun!

We already have so much to celebrate with the children participating in various events such as: the celebrations for the King's Coronation; the highly successful Year 4 residential; and the many sporting accolades with teams representing the school in netball, cross country, football and the recent District Sports competition.

The District Sports competition took place on Tuesday and I was delighted to see such a high number of children attending. Whilst there were initial nerves and apprehension, we soon settled into a great competition, with every single child trying their absolute best. There were several smiles with the increasing number of medals being won in the field events, and a heart-warming end to the day with the squadron relay: a mix of girls and boys from Year 3 all the way up to Year 6. I was particularly proud of the values our children demonstrated – courage, co-operation, kindness and resilience to name but a few. Overall, we improved our position from last year, rising up to 4<sup>th</sup> place. I would like to take this opportunity to give thanks to the children who participated, the staff who helped, and to all the parents who came with their supportive claps, smiles and cheers.

Over the next few weeks, we have further sporting events for **all** of the children to enjoy. Weather permitting, our sports days are as follows:

- Penguins Class (along with some friends that they have invited from their inclusion classes) on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>
  June at 9.15am
- The rest of our infant classes on Wednesday 21st June at 1.30pm (gates open at 1pm)
- Years 5 & 6 on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 9.15am
- Years 3 & 4 on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 1.00pm (gates open at 12.30pm)

Just like the Olympics, we run our field and track events simultaneously which means that the children are active for most of the time. These events include a combination of team and individual events which complement the importance of teaching teamwork, independence, perseverance and resilience as well as promoting the love of sport. Following feedback from last year, we have introduced a tannoy system so that we can keep you informed of events and scores. It would be wonderful to see as many parents and grandparents attend their (grand)child's sports day; we love to hear your cheers!

Finally, I would like to remind all families of the importance of their children remaining respectful to our school uniform policy. Please can I ask all parents to support us by sending your children into school wearing the correct uniform as shown below.

#### Girls

- Red cardigan / sweatshirt
- Light blue blouse / polo shirt
- Grey skirt or skort, grey trousers or pinafore dress
- Pale blue gingham dress may be worn in the summer
- Grey socks or tights in the winter and white socks in the summer

#### **Boys**

- Red sweatshirt
- Light blue shirt / polo shirt
- Grey trousers or shorts in the summer
- Grey socks

#### PE Kit

- Red shorts / skorts
- White t-shirt with Worplesdon logo
- Black plimsolls / trainers
- Grey tracksuit

I do understand that some children will grow out of their shoes in the next few weeks therefore their black trainers can be worn up to the end of term. Please remember that:

- Hairbands should be plain in style without, for example, bows or flowers
- Make up, nail varnish and tattoos must not be worn in school
- Boys' hairstyles should not include tramlines
- Shoulder length hair should be tied back at all times

Thank you for your continued support. As always, please do get in touch if you have any questions, concerns or feedback. Wishing you a wonderfully sunny weekend.

Best wishes,

Kareen O'Brien Executive Head Teacher



#### **MUSIC DATES**

Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June / 2.15pm – 2.50pm	Violin Assembly
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July / 2.30pm – 3.00pm	Recorder Assembly (Recorder Club & Year 3)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July / 6.00pm – 7.00pm	Summer Soiree

#### REMINDER - CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS (TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE)

We would like to remind you that class photographs are next Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June. Please make sure the children come into school with full school uniform, including their red sweatshirts / jumpers / cardigans. We will decide on the day as to whether these will be worn for the photographs.

#### LEVEL WATER FUNDRAISER

Two Worplesdon children, both of whom are ex Wood Street pupils and are now Worplesdon children, will be swimming the Bantham Swoosh. They are swimming the Bantham Swoosh to fundraise so there are more bespoke swimming lessons for children with disabilities across the UK this year. These are swimming lessons that simply wouldn't exist without the efforts of people like you.

Here is their JustGiving page, if you'd like to donate:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/laura-greswell4?utm source=copyLink&utm medium=fundraising&utm content=laura-greswell4&utm campaign=pfp-share&utm term=416c4817f5684c4390842814941875b4

#### AN UPDATE ON THE SPORTS FOR CHAMPIONS EVENT:

Thank you to all of you wonderful children and adults that have got onto Worplesdon's Crowdfunding page. Whilst cash is obviously acceptable, we appreciate that it is not always readily available or convenient, so we have a website that will let you donate quickly and safely online. Please use this QR code to get quick, easy access and make any donation possible.

Any donations via Crowdfunder should to be recorded on the sponsorship form, and then returned to the office by Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June (along with cash if applicable). As an incentive, children receive thank you awards based on the amount they raise:

£5 - £14.99 - BRONZE - A6 postcard of Callum Deboys £15 - £34.99 - SILVER - A4 poster of Callum Deboys £35+ - GOLD - a signed photo of the child with Callum Deboys, presented in a keepsake wallet



Raising more than our target of £640 will also raise money for the school itself which we can use to improve our facilities.

Thank you.



#### WEEKLY UPDATE FOR EARLY BIRDS AND NIGHT OWLS

This week at Night Owls we have been getting creative making different crafts that coincide with British Wildlife Week. The children have been designing their own bug hotels to take home and put out in their gardens as well as making some to go in our school environmental area. It was really lovely to see them getting their hands dirty grabbing leaves, moss, sawdust, hay and sticks to put into their cardboard boxes or bottles. As you can see from our pictures the results were fabulous and Henry T was very proud to show his one off in the newsflash for you all to see. The children also designed a flower which they had to colour in, attach a bottle cap to the centre of and then attach a stem. In the bottle cap they inserted some cotton wool which had been soaked in a sugar solution, this could then be taken home to put in their gardens to attract butterflies.

Before half term we made turtles from clay which were now ready for painting this week. The children have been finishing these off, independently painting their turtles and then taking them home to show their families. The children have also been enjoying the warm weather outside this week. We tend to play on the playground which does not have a lot of shade. Please could you make sure that children have a sun hat with them, water bottles and sun cream on, if possible, as they play outside for longer periods at Night Owls. We do make sure the children stop for regular drink intervals especially if they are running around playing football etc and send them in if they are getting too warm.







#### BERTIE BOOS' NEWSFLASH

International Joke Day – 1st July 2023	This fun special day is intended to cheer people up, so tell someone a joke and make them smile!
World Chocolate Day – 7th July 2023	World Chocolate Day is just a day for enjoying and celebrating the introduction of chocolate to Europe, for which we are all very grateful. Sadly, Bertie and I aren't allowed to eat chocolate, so enjoy and fill your boots!
World Chess Day – 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Chess is one of the most ancient, intellectual and cultural games, with a combination of sport, scientific thinking and elements of art, which can cross the barriers of language, age, gender, physical ability or social status. We have some sets in school.
Global Tiger Day – 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	An annual celebration to raise awareness for the plight of tigers and the urgent need for tiger conservation. Tigers are a critically endangered species whose numbers are affected by the illegal wildlife trade, habitat loss and climate change.

Have a wonderful weekend and don't forget to apply your sun cream and drinks lots of water.





# **PLAYERS WANTED**

Fairlands FC are looking for players to join our teams for our 23/24 season

Fairlands FC are a club at the heart of the community providing a safe and fun environment for children to enjoy football, build relationships and learn important life lessons whist being part of a fantastic team.

We currently play in the South Surrey Youth League Saturday mornings with home games @ Fairlands recreation ground GU3. Our away games are based around Guildford and South Surrey with kick offs between 9-12am every Saturday (not including school holidays).

We are currently looking for...

Year 5- U10 Division (FLAMES)

year 4 - U9 Division (FALCONS)

year 3- U8 Division (PHOENIX)

Training is currently Monday nights 5.30-6.30

Boys and girls welcome.

Spaces are limited.

FA coaches fully insured and DBS checked



Call Jamie 07957332162

email: fairlandflames@yahoo.com





Seeking good as new summer clothing: shorts, t-shirts, skirts, summer dresses, flip flops, sandals - all ages and sizes

Collecting Wednesday 14th June

For more info email: connectwithgra@gmail.com



### Can you spare an hour?

We will be collecting, sorting, distributing pre-loved summer clothing:

Thursday 15th June 2 - 5pm and Friday 16th June 2 - 5pm

For more info email: connectwithgra@gmail.com





Session for parents on

'Supporting children's speech and language development'

Monday 26th June

9.15-10.15am

Worplesdon Primary school

Join Charlotte, a fully qualified speech and language therapist, in our forthcoming Coffee Morning "Supporting Children's Speech and Language Development" where she'll cover:

- Why Speech and Language Development is important
- How speech and language skills typically develop
- What you can do to help your child
- . What to do if you have concerns

All parents invited. We look forward to seeing you there.