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# Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to Year One! The children have been wonderful this week and have come in with big smiles and ready to learn. We have introduced them to all the areas of learning in our classroom and our Year One expectations which they have taken on board brilliantly.

### **Important information**

- On *Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 3:30pm* Mr T and Miss Colley will be holding a Welcome to Year 1 information event where we will be explaining how Year 1 works. We look forward to seeing you there. A copy of the key information will be sent out that week in case you cannot make it.
- Children can bring a healthy snack of fruit or vegetables each day. The timings of eating this snack can vary depending on the day and we also have school fruit available for the children to have as they want it.
- PE days will be *Monday* and *Friday* so please send your children into school in their PE kits on these days.
- Tuesday and Friday will be reading book change day. On these days please come in with books in hand ready to change.
- Children in Year 1 will take part in forest school. Finches will be this half term and Blackbirds next half term. Further information about this is below.

### **Forest Schools**

Starting on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September, Finches will take part in Forest Schools until the half term. The children will be split into two groups and get one afternoon of Forest School per week. This will take place on a Tuesday or Thursday. We will let you know which day your child will be taking part in Forest School via a separate Parentmail. On the day of their Forest School session, children must come to school wearing school uniform on their top half and trousers suitable for learning outside such as an old pair of jogging bottoms. They must have a coat with them and wellies should be kept in school on the welly racks outside the classrooms. Please ensure wellies are clearly named. We advise that children bring a spare pair of trousers in a named bag to keep on their peg just in case they get dirty and need to change.

#### Golden leaves

#### Finches:

| 8.9.23 | Hugo   | Bronze | For starting the year with a smile and for being a great role model. |
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| 8.9.23 | Sidney | Bronze | For showing resilience and kindness this week.                       |

#### Blackbirds:

| 8.9. | 23 | Sadie   | Bronze | For working really hard on her Paddington writing.   |
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| 8.9. | 23 | Freddie | Bronze | For great labelling and planning in his design work. |

#### Curriculum

As writers we have written about Paddington Bear. We have reinforced using finger spaces and full stops and talked about capital letters. The children have used the text map to do their own writing about Paddington.

As mathematicians we have been working on counting objects to 10.

As artists we have explored collage skills to create pictures of Paddington.

As athletes we have started to create our own dances.

As designers we have been learning how to plan and label our designs before building.

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## Supporting at home

Reading books will come home next week. Daily reading really supports children's development. Asking lots of questions about the text and asking them to read the pages back after decoding supports fluency and understanding.

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Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes

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