



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

15.9.2023

We have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming all the children into Reception and are immensely proud of how well they have settled. We would like to thank you for all your continued support.

We have been focusing on friendship and looking after our classroom environment. The children have walked happily into the lunch hall and the majority have cleaned their plates!

Playtimes and lunchtimes: We have been with the children at lunchtime to support them with cutting their food and encouraging them to eat independently. We have also been with the children during their play times to support them with playing games and making new friends.

Thank you for your support in supplying your child with a named pot of fresh fruit or vegetables - no dried fruit please. They eat this snack during storytime. Additionally, school fruit is provided during the morning for grazing. Please note that children should only have water in their water bottles. Thank you for your support.

Thank you for informing us of your child's school dinner choice and helping them to come into school knowing the colour band they are having that day.

Next week's learning: Our topic this half term is "With a little help from my friends." In Literacy, we will be using the story of Paddington Bear to inspire the children's learning. We will be modelling drawing Paddington and talking about the shapes we are using. We will then talk about sounds we can hear in words to match our pictures. In our Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED) sessions, we will be focusing on how to be a good friend and remembering to use kind hands, kind feet and kind words. In Maths, we will be talking about objects that are the same/different and that match. By the end of the week we will be using sentences to explain our thinking e.g. 'the...does not match because...'.

Other: With the nature of Early Years some children occasionally leave it too late to go to the toilet. With this in mind, if your child is prone to having accidents please can we ask that in their book bags there is; spare pants/knickers, socks/tights, a carrier bag for wet clothes, wet wipes and nappy sacks. We only have a limited supply of spare clothes so having these in their book bags is a real help.

For creative work, we have aprons in school for the children to use and they are learning to put these on independently. Reception have PE on a Wednesday and children will need to come dressed in their PE kit with earrings removed on this day. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is clearly named, especially their jumper or hoodie.

If your child would like milk in the school day and you have not yet signed up then you can do this via the cool milk website, it is free for under 5s but you do need to opt in for them to receive it.

Our playground is our learning space, please can we ask that you do not allow your child or siblings to play on the playground or equipment before or after school. Thank you for your support with this.

Please can we remind you that if you would like to take the opportunity of our extended drop of window of 8:45-9:30 this is still available next week.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and your children will not be too tired! 😊

Best wishes,

The Early Years Team