



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 15th September,

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a wonderful start to Year 5. The children have been incredibly brave and settled so quickly into their new classes and new surroundings. We have seen smiles all round and couldn't be prouder of their effort in class – true champions of our school values, especially as we have started our normal timetable. Most children have the correct equipment in their pencil cases (such as whiteboard pens and pencils) as well as named water bottles. It has really helped make the start of term smooth. Please can you take the time to regularly check items such as glue sticks have not run out so the children continue to feel prepared and have a successful year. Please could you also ensure that your child has a blue pen for their work as this is the colour we write in across the school. Please can you also take a moment to ensure that this is labelled with your child's name so that if lost, they can easily be returned. If your child doesn't have these things, please could you arrange for them to get them, or ask us if you are unsure what they need.

During our computing lessons, we have noted that a lot of children have forgotten their passwords for Google Classroom/Bug Club. We are reminding them in school, but for privacy reasons, we are unable to write these down for them. Please could you take a few minutes at home to help them learn these passwords. If you have forgotten them or need a reminder of these, or Times Tables Rockstars passwords, please don't hesitate to email your child's class teacher and we can send a reminder to you via email.

Reading diaries should now have been handed out and will be checked every week. Your child is expected to have at least 4 signed reads. An adult should be listening to and signing the reading diary on each occasion. This encourages children to read aloud, practice their expression and intonation, and develop a love of reading.

This week, we have continued our maths unit of work on Place Value. This unit of maths underpins all areas of maths and we continue to build on it over the course of the year.

Children have been deepening their understanding of place value and using manipulatives to demonstrate their understanding leading to completing increasingly complex challenges in the lessons. In English writing, we are developing our use of figurative and emotive language – Showing Not Telling. We will be exploring this using the video The Present.

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A CHILD
WHO HATES TO READ,
THERE ARE ONLY CHILDREN WHO HAVE
NOT FOUND THE RIGHT BOOK.

– FRANK SEAFORTH

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Thank you to those parents that attended the parent meeting on Tuesday. It was lovely to meet some of you and a great opportunity to answer a few questions. The presentation that we used will be sent out so that you have access to all the information we shared.

Thank you to everyone who sent their children to school in proper uniform. It's great to see those children representing our school. If you have any queries or need assistance, please feel free to ask at the office for where support can be found. Please also continue to send children into school with a water bottle and healthy snack - this will help sustain them and maintain energy levels until we eat at 12:30pm.

Please can we ask that children not wear earrings on these days, or at least be confident in taking these out independently. Surrey County Council specifies that no child can participate in a PE lesson whilst wearing earrings, in the interests of safety. In our gymnastics unit, children should be taking their shoes and socks off, but if there is a medical reason that your child cannot do this then please let your class teacher know.

PE Days

- Tuesday – Field (Football)
- Wednesday – Hall (Gymnastics)

Have a lovely weekend, and thank you for your support.

The Year 5 Team

Mr Kennedy, Miss Taylor, Mr Djadali, and Mrs Hinchcliffe