



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 13th October 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

What another fab week in Year 3! The children have continued learning about the value of 'friendship' in assemblies this week.

In English this week, we have been tweaking the story of 'Captain Flinn and the Pirate Dinosaurs' by creating our own characters and our focus has been on prepositional phrases to express time. Next week, the children will be inventing their own stories, using prepositional phrases to express time and place.

In Maths, we have continued looking at addition and subtraction to 1000, and have started exploring exchanging. As always, the children have had concrete resources to support their learning. Next week, we will continue this learning. We will (soon) be teaching the children the formal column method, first without exchanging and then with exchanging. We understand that this is one of the most efficient methods of adding and subtracting, however we are not rushing into this, as it is important that the children are confident and secure with the steps that come before this.

Art aprons

Thank you to the parents/carers who have already provided aprons. We will be doing art at various points throughout the year, involving paint, oil pastels etc. As you can appreciate, this can get messy. It would be helpful if all children had an art apron (or an old t-shirt from an adult) that they could put on over their uniform to protect their clothes. Please can we ask that all aprons/t-shirts are named.

Homework

In Year 3, the children have two pieces of homework per week. These are

- Reading 4 times per week (we check reading diaries on a Wednesday and children who have read 4 times a week or more are entered into the class prize draw to win a reward).
- Maths homework set on Atom. This homework is based on what we have been learning in class. Atom uses an algorithm to level the questions to your child's ability, so please do not worry if the children have different questions to one another - that means the algorithm is working 😊 We set Atom homework on a Wednesday, due in the following Wednesday. All children now have their Atom logins stuck inside their reading diaries.

CHANGE OF TRIP DATE

Due to a clash with Parents Evening, we have had to change the date of our trip to Butser Farm from Thursday 22nd February 2024, to Thursday 8th February 2024. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Golden leaves

Congratulations to all of our golden leaf recipients this week! Well done for all of your hard work - we are so proud of you!

Starlings

Abraham - For being a curious cat and using an encyclopedia to find out lots of interesting facts after completing some fantastic maths work - well done!

Bernard - For some brilliant maths work this week - well done!

Joey - For showing great resilience and perseverance when completing your work. You really are making yourself the best you can be. Well done!



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Magpies

Harry - For working very, very hard with his English writing this week and always sounding out his words before writing them.

Joshie - For being an enthusiastic and hard-working learner and participating lots during class discussions.

Jessica - For outstanding independence and resilience during maths, and always striving to be the best she can be in all areas of school life.

Sparrows

Maddie - For always being positive, kind, hard working and an excellent role model to others!

Atanas - For writing a super story in English with prepositional phrases and adjectives.

Rony - For working super hard in maths working through all the questions carefully using resources and written methods.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions throughout the year. Our email addresses are below.

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Thank you for all your support at the start of this year. We are looking forward to a great year!

The Year 3 Team.