



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 13th October 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Congratulations to the Year 4 football team who took part in their first tournament of the year last night: well done!

Let's celebrate: Golden Leaves

<i>Nightingales</i>	<i>Kingfishers</i>	<i>Woodpeckers</i>
<i>Oliver - For persevering in English and showing resilience. Finley - For being so resilient when he had an injury and supporting his friends even though he couldn't play football.</i>	<i>Austen - For showing resilience in everyday school life. Elliott - For showing independence with his English writing this week and being the best he can be with his creative ideas.</i>	<i>Kiran - For demonstrating independence in Maths and English to challenge himself regularly. Amaia - For displaying the value of friendship and being kind in class. Anshya - For always being a positive and kind member of our community.</i>

Next week's learning

In **Maths**, we will continue with **addition and subtraction**. We will focus largely on subtraction, including using a formal written method to exchange. Here is a website that gives a bit of a summary of why we might choose to use a written method to subtract: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy2mn39/articles/zc78srd#zv8xfdm0>

In **English**, we will start our new video of Partly Cloudy. We will retell the story as part of our Imitate Week and begin to use co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions to build accurate sentences. We have attached a link that explains a bit more about conjunctions and how they are used in sentences here:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1SrDBwKJyd-NTjixrzPnvb0yuZ1EQj7JafsKID4IkZUg/edit?usp=sharing>

In **Foundation** – we are learning about perspective, colour-mixing and painting in Art. We will look at the work of L S Lowry to create our own Urban Landscape paintings inspired by the school buildings and Lowry's work. If you would prefer your children to **wear an apron or an old/second hand over-sized shirt** over their uniform to paint, please could this be provided for **Tuesday**? We may have a few aprons but possibly not enough to provide for everyone!

Home learning: Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS)

We have continued to set weekly Garage challenges (30 minutes in total per week – about 3-5 minutes a day). At the moment, we have 12 pupils this week who have completed their weekly challenge (about 15% of the year group). We know that regular rehearsal of times table and division facts is the best way to try and learn them and the Garage setting allows the TTRS system to help target where they currently need the most practice. With this in mind, we are setting a two-week Battle between Woodpeckers, Kingfishers and Nightingales – we will keep updated with the outcomes of the contest! <https://ttrockstars.com/>

Questions to support reading at home

Being able to fluently read can be such an important part of enjoying learning and life! We continue to encourage children reading regularly to an adult at home with at least 4 signed reads. Attached to this letter are some questions that you could use to discuss what you have read with your child(ren) at home.

Consent forms for internet and photo permission

Thank you so much for completing your consent forms on Parent Mail – this has been really helpful for us to know what photo permissions and internet usage have been signed. If you haven't done so, please could you kindly complete the form from the office. Thank you!

Upcoming dates

- Friday 20th October – Christmas card order forms will come home. Please can orders be returned after half term by the deadline of **Friday 3rd November**
- Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd November – Parent-Teacher Consultation Meetings
- Wednesday 8th November – alpaca visit

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Campain, Mrs Pippin, Miss Mallalieu and Miss Small