



## Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

17.11.2023

We have had a brilliant week this week, the children have enjoyed learning about Diwali and making Diva lanterns out of playdough.

### This week's learning:

In Phonics, the children learnt the new graphemes; j, v, w, x and learnt the harder to read and spell words; he, she. In Literacy, we have been retelling 'Whoops-A-Daisy-Angel' ahead of our Nativity. The children have enjoyed learning the story, retelling, drawing and labelling parts of the story or characters. In Maths, the children have been representing numbers 1, 2, 3 using five frames and counters for support. In Expressive Arts and Design, the children have been learning songs for the Nativity.

### Next week's learning:

In Phonics, the children will be learning; y, z, zz, qu, ch and learning the harder to read and spell words; she, he. In Literacy, the children will be reading Whoops-A-Daisy Angel (our nativity), retelling the story and drawing and labelling pictures from the story. In Maths, the children will be learning 1 more and 1 less working with numbers 1, 2 and 3. We will be using rhymes and puppets to help with this. In Expressive Arts and Design, the children will be learning more songs for the Nativity.

### Golden leaves:

This week these children have been awarded a golden leaf:

Swallows:

Ava - for joining in well in Maths and representing numbers 1, 2 and 3.

Annabel - for explaining Diwali when making your own Diva lantern.

Swifts:

Layla - for always choosing her learning so carefully.

Mary-Jane - for super listening and always helping to tidy.

### Other:

In your child's plastic wallet, in their book bags today, you will receive their costume letter for our nativity. Please can we ask that these are brought into school by Monday 27th November in a named bag. Please continue to practise your child's line at home using a loud, clear voice.

Today your child has brought home in their plastic wallet a sound mat to use at home to practise the sounds we have learnt. As we complete each phase we will send the new sounds home.

As the weather changes please make sure all hats, coats, scarves, gloves and boots are labelled. **If you would like your child to bring in a pair of wellies to wear in the outdoor classroom they are welcome to.**

Finally, as part of promoting healthy lifestyles, we are introducing a new food policy which is currently in draft form whilst the School Council finalises the details. With this in mind, we are not encouraging children to bring in sweets and cakes on their birthdays. Instead, we encourage parents to donate a book or small game for the class to enjoy.

*A survey for parents will be coming out in the coming week regarding this so that you will be able to add your feedback.*

We hope you have a fantastic weekend!

Best wishes,

The Early Years Team