



# NEWSFLASH

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023



## STAFFING NEWS

As many of you may have noticed, Mrs Riddle, our French teacher, is expecting a baby. Mrs Riddle will be going on maternity leave when we finish for the Christmas break. I'm sure you will join us all in wishing Mrs Riddle and her family well with the exciting months ahead.

When we return in January, we are pleased to inform you that Mrs Fuentes, who has previously worked here at Worpleston as a teaching assistant and teacher will be covering Mrs Riddle's maternity leave until the end of the academic year, as Mrs Fuentes speaks fluent French. We are very excited to welcome her back.



Sadly, we have to inform you that Mrs Bennett (Year 6 intervention HLTA) will be leaving us at the end of November. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Bennett for all her hard work and support, I'm sure you will join us in wishing her well with her new adventure working for the NHS. Mrs Nightingale and Mrs Sibley will be covering Mrs Bennett's teaching in year 6.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

Today, children were invited to come into school in mufti, dressed in yellow or as Pudsey. Thank you to those of you who have already donated; you are still able to if who would like to by using the following link

<https://tinyurl.com/5n84mczu>. Thank you.



## WALKING BUS

As you know, last year we introduced the Walking Bus service to promote the use of green travel, as well as support the reduction of traffic on Fairlands at the beginning of the school day. Parents/carers are able to drop their children off at the F.L.G.C.A. Community Centre between 8.30-8.35am (every day) and they are walked up to school. To be able to run the bus safely, we need at least one volunteer for each day to support the member of staff leading the bus. So far, we have been extremely fortunate to have at least one volunteer each day which we are very grateful for. However, due to unforeseen circumstances, we are now looking for a volunteer to help on a Monday and Friday. If you can commit to either/both of these sessions, Mrs O'Brien would be incredibly grateful! Please contact her directly on [head@worpleston.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:head@worpleston.surrey.sch.uk).

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM

Yesterday, girls from Year 5 and 6 represented Worpleston Primary School at the Guildford Qualifiers for the Danone Nations Cup, being held at George Abbot. Despite the cold and rain, the girls made a promising start, beating Burpham 1-0 for some invaluable points. Our next game was a tight affair, losing to eventual 2<sup>nd</sup> placed QE 0-1. Our next two games would have been a draw and a win, but a couple of unfortunate errors cost us precious points. However, the Worpleston Girls found a resurged belief, and in our last group game, against rivals Holy Trinity, we played out a tense match ending in a 1-1 draw. After the Round Robins games, and due to other results, WPS came 3<sup>rd</sup> in Group B, which meant we were playing Sandfield for 5<sup>th</sup> Place overall. Confidence and reflections from previous games started to shine through, and we dominated from start to finish, running out 2-0 winners. The girls did themselves proud, the spectators proud, and the school proud.



Special thanks to the windswept parents for travel and support.



### DOES YOUR CHILD OR TEENAGER HAVE SLEEP DIFFICULTIES?

Children and Family Health Surrey has launched new videos and webpages to support toddlers, children and teenagers across Surrey with sleep. A series of four videos has been produced for parents and carers featuring NHS nurses and sleep experts. Jointly funded by Children and Family Health Surrey and Surrey County Council, the videos are suitable for supporting the sleep of children and young people including those with additional needs and learning disabilities, and give advice, information and tips.

Visit the [Children and Family Health Surrey website](#) to find out more.

### PARKING

It is important for us all to remember that this is a residential community and we would like to urge all our parents and carers to park respectfully when dropping off and picking up their children. Can we urge to you to consider the following:

- Please park within legally approved parking zones around the school
- Please do not obstruct residents' driveways
- Please do not make rude comments to residents

Our leadership team will be out and about to ensure that the drop off and pick up times run as smoothly as possible so do please come and speak to us if you have any concerns. Thank you.

**PLEASE  
RESPECT  
OUR NEIGHBORS**

### Plea for toys!

In Penguins class, we are supporting the children with their early play skills and we would really appreciate some new, exciting toys for the children.

In particular, we are looking for character toys, such as Happyland, Duplo or Sylvanian Families. Also, any toys from TV shows, such as Paw Patrol and Peppa Pig, would be great as they are familiar to the children.

Please bring any donations to the Haven or the main school office.  
Thank you!



### EARLY BIRDS AND NIGHT OWLS

This week at Night Owls we have focused our activities around Children in Need and Anti-Bullying Week. The children have had the opportunity to all participate in collaging a giant Pudsey Bear which has been hung up in the school hall for Children in Need day today. They could also collage their own individual Pudsey Bear to take home or make a Pudsey Bear face from yellow paper plates and accessories. As you can see from our pictures they turned out brilliantly.

We have really enjoyed seeing the children come in wearing their odd socks for Anti-Bullying Week. It is a great way for the children to express themselves and celebrate their individuality. The children have had a selection of mindfulness colouring sheets with positive affirmations on to colour in.



Next week is Road Safety Week. We will be talking to the children about the importance of following road safety rules, especially with the darker evenings now upon us.

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