



January 12th 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

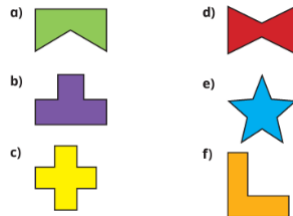
After discussions with some parents about the skills taught in Maths and English across the week, we have changed the layout to the weekly news slightly to be more informative.

This week:

Maths:

The children have been looking at the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. We learnt that '*vertices*' is when two or more lines/edges meet. Example questions that we have been answering:

How many vertices does each shape have?



How did you count the vertices?



My shape has more vertices than a triangle, but fewer than a hexagon.

What shape could Ron have?
Compare answers with a partner.

Ann is making a pattern out of shapes.

a) How many vertices are in each term of her pattern?



b) What do you notice?

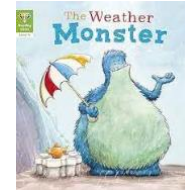
c) How many vertices will the next term have?

d) Make your own pattern with shapes.
Count the number of vertices in each term.

English:

We have focused on retelling the story of The Weather Monster using a variety of sentence starters.

EG: *A short time later; After that; All of a sudden; At the top of the*



Across the rest of the curriculum the children have made compasses in Geography, critiqued a variety of sculptures in art, developed their knowledge of excel spreadsheets in computing and looked at the life cycle of humans in Science.

Next week:

The children will enter the tweak cycle of our writing, changing the key characters in the story and the gift that is given to the '*thing*' that changes the weather. Maths continues to look at shape with a focus on symmetry and faces. On Wednesday afternoon we have a sculpture workshop which will fully immerse the children in our Art topic, we begin to look at coordinates in Geography and how Christians view God in RE.



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

ABO:

-Please could we have donations of toilet roll tubes by Monday 22nd January – thank you in advance!

-We are blown away by the standard of writing the children are producing across the curriculum, as a year group we really want to boost their spelling of common exception words. At parents evening a list of Year Two common exception words was handed out. We are going to be selecting three words from the list each week for you to practice at home. The children will not be tested on these but we do want to see the children applying the correct spelling to their writing across all areas of learning. This is important to tackle now so that we can avoid habits of incorrect spelling. We really appreciate your support with this.

This weeks common exception words are: **any** **again** **after**

Golden Leaf Winners:

Doves:

Leo	For showing many of the school values this week and showing positivity in all lessons this week - Well Done!
Henry	For having a positive attitude towards his writing this week and showing some creativity when changing adjectives and sentence starters - Well Done!
Olive	For showing curiosity in Science and sharing her ideas - Well Done!

Larks:

Nicole	For being a curious cat during maths lessons when investigating shape this week, well done!
Josh	For being resilient and determined across all areas of learning this week, well done!
Harriet	For putting 100% effort into retelling the story of The Weather Monster this week. Well done!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

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