



## Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been a lovely week in Year 6, the children have enjoyed making periscopes, collaging in Art and researching the events of The Blitz! They have learnt about converting units in Maths and continued studying the text Letters from the Lighthouse in English, which they have used as inspiration to plan and write some amazing narratives.

### **Why read at home?**

Please can we ask that **children read at least 4 times per week**, signed in their reading record book?

We believe that reading is one of the keys to unlocking learning and wellbeing! Between the pages of a book, we can become immersed in the lives of fictional characters and learn about a culture entirely different from our own. We can also learn new words and phrases, experience a range of emotions, and acquire skills and knowledge.

Here are some top **10 benefits of reading** for children:

<i>Their vocabulary is larger and more extensive.</i>	<i>Their imagination can run wild.</i>	<i>They develop empathy.</i>	<i>Their concentration levels improve.</i>	<i>Their cognitive development is supported.</i>
<i>They perform better academically.</i>	<i>Their creativity skills develop.</i>	<i>They gain a deeper understanding of their world.</i>	<i>The parent/carer and child bond can improve.</i>	<i>Their social skills and interaction improve.</i>

### **Consultation for RSE**

On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 (3.30-4.15pm), we are running a consultation workshop to go through the aims and objectives of our RSE curriculum and give you an opportunity to ask any questions. Please let the office know if you wish to attend by next Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Other Important Dates**

- Thursday 1st February – Online Safety Workshop from 6-7.15pm  
*Sharon Girling OBE will offer advice to parents on how the online activities of young people affects them today and in their future.*
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February – Junior Disco from 7-8:30pm
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Break the Rules Day

This week, we'd like to congratulate the following children who received Golden Leaves:

### **Wrens**

Spencer-For always showing curiosity and asking insightful questions to better his knowledge across all subjects.

Lara-For showing a great understanding of how to effectively use direct speech in English.

### **Jays**

Grace-For showing empathy and understanding with her narrative for Letters from the Lighthouse.

Clara-For always striving to be the best she can be in all subjects.



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### **Kestrels**

Abraham-For really pushing yourself in your Math's work this week, keep up the great work!

Eleanor -For challenging yourself in your Math's work, making it onto extra chilli challenges, keep up the fantastic work!

Finally, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to catch us on the playground at the end of the day. However, we know that lots of Year 6 children walk out to meet an adult, so alternatively you can email us (no matter how small a question or problem may be!) on the addresses below:

Miss Bennett (Wrens class): [hbennett@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:hbennett@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk)

Mrs Reed (Jays class): [kreed@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:kreed@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk)

Miss Sands (Kestrels class): [gsands@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:gsands@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk)

Best wishes,

Miss Bennett, Mrs Reed and Miss Sands