

Friday 2nd February

Dear Parents / Carers,

The children have shown such resilience and determination this week, particularly when sitting their mock assessments. Alongside these, the children have continued to shine in Maths when learning about Ratio and took part in a brilliant Science investigation looking at shadow size. We continue to be very proud of their efforts!

Learning for Life

After half term, as part of our Learning for Life curriculum, we will be beginning a new unit titled 'Healthy Me'. Over the course of the term, the children will have lessons delivered with a focus on the following topics:

- Taking responsibility for my health and well-being
- Drugs
- Exploitation
- Gangs
- Emotional and Mental Health
- Managing Stress and Pressure

The teaching of Drugs will have a close link to our Science curriculum and the effects on the body. We will discuss the following types of drugs:

Unrestricted drugs e.g. caffeine

Restricted e.g. alcohol, tobacco, e-cigarettes/vaping, some over-the counter medications, solvents (e.g. some glues, paint thinners, gases like butane, poppers, nitrous oxide/laughing gas)

Prescribed e.g. asthma medication, insulin, anti-allergy medicines, anti-depressants, amphetamines, steroids

Illegal e.g. heroin, cocaine, ecstasy (MDMA), LSD, spice, magic mushrooms, ketamine

This will obviously be delivered in a very child friendly way; however, we will be discussing that the illegal drugs and the restricted drugs are known to cause the body damage. If you have any concerns or queries about this lesson, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Mock SATs Scaled Scores

As stated above, the children have been absolutely amazing this week while sitting their mocks. We are completing the final one next week in Reading. After this, we are aiming to analyse the data next week in order to send their scaled scores home shortly after half term. In the meantime, here a link to help you understand how scaled scores work: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/understanding-scaled-scores-at-key-stage-2</u>

SATs Revision

As SATs draw closer, we are aware that some children may want to begin revising areas they're not feeling so confident with. We highly recommend any of the CGP revision guides which can be found on the link below: https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/primary-sats-books



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

<u>Wrens</u>

Lottie-For always taking pride in the presentation of her work and producing work to a quality standard.

Erin-For completing an excellent investigation in Science this week focusing on the size of shadows.

Finley-For always showing resilience and having increased confidence in Maths.

<u>Jays</u>

Eva-For showing positivity and resilience whilst completing the SATs practice questions this week.

William-For demonstrating how to conduct a successful investigation in science to answer our enquiry question.

<u>Kestrels</u>

Chloe-For showing great determination and resilience in your mocks this week.

Adam-For being extremely engaged in all of your lessons this week, contributing to great class discussions.

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): <u>hbennett@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk</u>

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

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

Best wishes,

Miss Bennett, Mrs Reed and Miss Sands