



Worplesdon Primary School – Weekly Update

Friday 9th February 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had another busy week in Year 1 and we are so proud of your children. They have worked so hard over this half term and we hope they are able to have a fun filled half term.

PTA Logo Competition

The PTA, official charity name 'Friends of Worplesdon School', are desperately in need of a new logo - and we need your children's creative flair to design one! Please see the separate ParentMail which outlines the prize details, the closing date and the all important T&Cs. We can't wait to see the entries!

Eco Competition

The Eco Committee is running a poster competition over half term. The poster is to encourage people around the estate to make more eco-friendly choices. Here are some ideas: advertise the walking bus, encourage people to pick up dog poo, ask parents/carers to ensure engines are turned off when waiting at drop off/pick up, remind people not to park on grass verges etc. The children have been asked to hand the posters to their class teacher by Monday 19th February, and the Eco committee will collect and judge them. All children who enter will receive 10 house points, the winning poster from each year group will earn 50 house points and the overall winner will receive 100 house points!

Important information

- Do not forget to book in your time slots of parent's consultation evenings (21st and 22nd February). We look forward to celebrating your children's successes with you. If you have any questions then please let us know.
- After half term Blackbirds will continue their Forest School sessions. Information about groups and timings will be sent out separately.

Our value of the month for February is independence.

We always reflect on our school rules with our children at school:

Talk and act positively

Embrace and follow instructions

Act kindly, keeping hands and feet to yourself

Make yourself the best you can be!

Golden Leaf Winners

Finches

9.2.24	Shelby	Silver	For showing curiosity when working at the Maths area.
9.2.24	Annabelle	Silver	For showing independence in her writing this week.

Blackbirds

9.2.24	Daisy	Silver	For being a resilient tortoise and persevering with our tricky maths this week.
9.2.24	Jaxon	Silver	For showing independence in DT when making a parachute to help the penguin land safely.



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Curriculum

As writers we have been writing an invented version of 'Lost and Found'. We have been focusing on using conjunctions in our writing (and, but, so).

As mathematicians we have been adding numbers up to 20. We have using our number bonds to 10 to help us. We have also been finding doubles and near doubles.

As athletes we are continuing Send and Return and Hit and Catch.

As historians we have been exploring the differences and similarities between modern and Victorian schools.

As computing experts we have continued to learn about coding using 2Code to write our own code and extend it to debugging given code.

As designers we have been making parachutes for Penguin Blue from 'Blown Away'.

As scientists we have been learning about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. The children have been investigating animal poop (playdough with bits in) to see what they have been eating.

Supporting at home

- Practise cutting with scissors.
- Practise adding two numbers up to 20.
- Practise recalling number bonds to 10 and 20.
- Use the children's purple mash logins to have a go at some of the 2code activities - can they show you what they have learnt?
- Can you spot any conjunctions in your reading books? (and, but, so, because)

Websites and games to support learning:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/addition/robot-addition> - adding numbers to 20.

<https://ictgames.com/mobilePage/loocwc/index.html> - choose a word, say it, cover it up, write it down and check it

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/5> - Play Buried Treasure, Picnic on Pluto or Dragon's Den to revise all Phase 5 sounds.

Finally, if you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to email us directly as we are here to help.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term!

Best wishes,

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