

Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a fantastic week we have had in Year 3! The children have come back full of enthusiasm to continue their learning. We hope you found the parent consultation evenings helpful and enjoyed seeing all of the fantastic progress your children have made so far this year.

In English this week, the children have been exploring the story 'Stone Age Boy', with a focus on simple and compound sentences. Next week, the children will write their own story called 'Future Boy/Girl', based on the story of Stone Age Boy but set in the future. The focus will continue to be on simple and compound sentences, and we will also begin to look at complex sentences.

In Maths, we have started to look at length and perimeter. The children have been enjoying using rulers and metre sticks to measure in mm, cm and m. We have also been looking at equivalent lengths. Next week, we will be looking at adding and subtracting lengths.

Starlings Swimming

Starlings class does not currently have any parent helpers for swimming. This means that we are having to take a member of staff from another class to ensure we are in ratio. If you are available on Mondays between 10.15-12.15 and have a DBS through the school, we would really appreciate any help you can give us (even if not every week).

Donations

As you can imagine, we get through a huge amount of stationery throughout the year. Please can you kindly ensure that your child has the correct stationery in their pencil cases – writing pencils, whiteboard pens and glue sticks are essential items which we use every day. If you are able to donate any of those items to your child's class, it would also be greatly appreciated.

Pencil cases

Please could you check in your child's pencil case at the end of the week that they have all necessary stationery (especially glue sticks).

Swimming and PE

The children completed their first swimming lesson on Monday and loved it! This was an assessment lesson as the staff at the Spectrum needed a baseline before beginning lessons. The children will now be in three groups and we will be taught by 3 different swim teachers (1 per group). These lessons will take the place of our Tuesday PE lesson. Due to our swimming lessons being scheduled around lunch times, we are asking that on swimming days please could the children bring in a packed lunch. If your child normally has a free school meal, the kitchen will provide a packed lunch unless you would prefer to provide your own; please inform the office if you are going to provide your own.

In order to facilitate changing, we would need the children to come into school wearing their swimming kit underneath their P.E. kit. Each child will require a labelled bag containing the following labelled items:

- Swimming hat for both boys & girls
- Towel
- Underwear
- Goggles (if necessary)

It is advisable for girls to wear a tankini or a full swimming costume. A bikini would not be appropriate attire.



Class Assemblies

Year 3 class assemblies are coming up soon. Please find the dates and times below.

Starlings - Friday 1st March 2.45pm Sparrows - Friday 8th March 2.45pm Magpies - Friday 15th March 2.45pm

Starlings children will be coming home with scripts and costume letters (don't panic - no need to buy anything!). We would really appreciate you spending some time with your child to help them learn their lines. This helps them to feel much more confident and comfortable on stage.

Sparrows children have also taken home song lyrics to learn. We would really appreciate your support in helping your children to learn these words.

Golden leaves

Congratulations to all of our golden leaf recipients this week! Well done for all of your hard work - we are so proud of you!

Sparrows

Max - For making good choices and having a positive attitude towards his learning and friendships. Cali - For writing an amazing story this week in English.

Magpies

Elena - For taking time and care to edit her English work with enthusiasm. Eva - For being an enthusiastic learner and participating lots during class discussions.

Starlings

Dibyata - For working so hard on your handwriting and presentation - well done! Grace - For working so hard in Maths in the last few weeks - you are doing so well - well done!

Mrs Welland – Starlings – <u>swelland@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk</u>

Mrs Jordan - Magpies - hjordan@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk

Mrs Carey and Miss Flashman - Sparrows - <u>ocarey@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk</u> and <u>hflashman@worplesdon.surrey.sch.uk</u>

The Year 3 Team.