



WORPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

18th September 2020

Worple Newsletter

Enjoy, Learn, Grow

Head Teacher's Update

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of your support this week with keeping the children going as we move towards the mid- point in the half term. On reflection, I hope you will share my enthusiasm for the way in which the children have reembraced school life, the learning and school values. It has been good to watch the community reconnecting at the start and end of the day, although daily the continued restrictions do mean that we still will need your support in adhering to the way in which we are running pick up and collection times.

With the renewed restrictions shared with us on Tuesday, the importance of staying safe and keeping 'socially distanced' has now been further heightened and it is more important now than ever. Added to this we do have some 'vulnerable families' and members of our community who are Carers' for others. We have a responsibility not only to ourselves but also to our community to ensure that we are doing our very best to protect everyone, because of this, we will be reviewing the wearing of face coverings at drop off and pick up this week and will let you know our decisions early next week. We certainly don't want a situation where schools are being asked to close again even partially as we know what impact that would have on the children emotionally and educationally. Unfortunately we are not able to run the school as we normally would, with events (assemblies), school fairs, PTA events and the rich programme of after school activities. We are looking at ways in which we can still try to recreate these programs and are hopeful that we will be able to find some fun and vibrant alternatives! All of this doesn't mean that we can't have fun...we just have to do things differently!!!

Our assembly and theme for the week has been all about kindness. Please do promote this at home...maybe even discuss random acts of kindness and what we can do to show kindness to others.

Have a great weekend

Best wishes,

Marais Leenders

Executive Headteacher

Secondary School Transfer Meeting

Just a reminder to our Year 5 and 6 parents; we are holding our secondary school transfer meeting on **Monday 28th September at 6:30pm** via zoom. We will share key dates, give parents some guidance around how to navigate the process of secondary school choice and to try and clear up any misconceptions and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

School Calendar

You may have noticed that our school calendar and events have been significantly reduced due to COVID-19. Due to the current climate, we are unable to invite parents in for things like class assemblies, sports events, PTA events and shows however, we are trying to do as much as we can virtually. Before the October half term, KS2 will be taking part in a virtual cross-country competition and competing virtually against other Hounslow schools.

Individual School Photos

We will be holding individual school photos on Tuesday 20th October. These photos will be available for you to purchase. Unfortunately, we will be unable to offer sibling photos this year due to COVID-19 and not cross contaminating bubbles.

PTA

Have you thought about joining our PTA? The PTA stands for the Parent, Teacher Association. The PTA are invaluable for organising and running fundraising events to help raise money for the school. If you would like to find out more or sign up please email: pta@worple.hounslow.sch.uk

We plan to hold a Zoom meeting over the next few weeks to discuss potential fundraising ideas so look out for further information in future newsletters.

COVID-19 Update

We are aware of national issues with people being unable to book tests using the portal/dialling 119. I appreciate this is incredibly frustrating and comes at a time when demand on testing has increased substantially. Please only get a test if you are symptomatic.

The MTU (mobile testing unit) will be in the London Borough of Hounslow at Hanworth Road on the following days, should you need to access a test for you or a family member

- Monday 28th September (Hanworth Road)

(Registration opens for each testing day at 6pm the day before.)



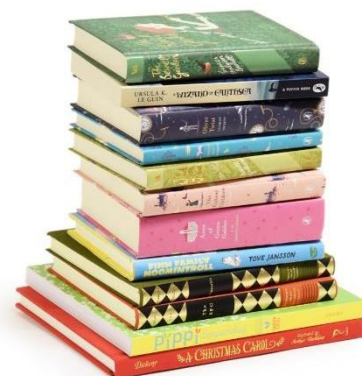
Reading Corner

Looking for book recommendations?

<https://www.booktrust.org/>

There are books for all ages you can search for topics too.

<https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/> has opening extracts from lots of books to download.



Super Sentences!

Each week we will be sharing with you a sample sentence to practise writing with your child. Encourage them to say it, write it, use it alongside other sentences, find examples in their reading. It's a great way to develop and improve writing.

B - but

O - or

Y - yet

S - so

Classroom Corner

It has been a busy week across the school but one class in particular has been especially busy as they have transported back to the year 1666 and made bread.

Year 2 are learning all about the Great Fire of London and for their super start this term they made bread. They used the same ingredients and techniques as they would have done in the 17th century and the results looked delicious

BOYS Sentences

(A sentence using *but, or, yet, so* to give extra information)

It began to rain

| *so* I looked for shelter.

He was friendly most of the time, *but* he could be nasty.



Class	Merits
Nursery	Our entire Nursery! Well done for settling so well and Welcome to Worple!
Reception	Reception – To the whole class for adjusting well to full time school.
Year 1	Matteo - Having such a great attitude to school and his learning and giving 100% in all he does! Agnes – always trying very hard with her writing.
Year 2	Paighton: For always offering to help in class, being a great listener and for working so hard in all subjects. William: For being so hard working and always so kind to everyone in year 2.
Year 3	Harvey- for really challenging himself in Maths and for doing fantastic all this week in every maths lesson Ellis- for always being curious and striving to answer class questions with clear well explained responses
Year 4	Tessa for using her integrity and ensuring everyone is included in group tasks. Trystan for challenging himself in his writing, showing great focus and enthusiasm.
Year 5	Kareem for settling in so well into our school- welcome! Aneira for always being on task and showing integrity in everything she does- what a great role model!
Year 6	Marius: For challenging himself in maths lessons and staying focused on the task. Well done! Samiir: For being motivated to learn in every lesson, always listening well and contributing lots. Fantastic work!

Attendance and Punctuality

We anticipate bringing back our attendance and punctuality section of the newsletter after the October half term.

Times Tables Rock Stars

Times Table Rock Stars will be back soon. Over the next couple of week classes will complete their times table baseline, which is used to calculate each children's individual progress. In the meantime, you can still login and practice those tables!

Key Dates

	Academic Year 2020-21
Monday 28 th September	Year 6 Secondary School Transfer Meeting at 6:30am via Zoom
W/C Monday 12 th October	Parents Evenings
Tuesday 20 th October	Individual school photos