



WORPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

13th November 2020

Worple Newsletter

Enjoy, Learn, Grow

Head Teacher's Update

Dear Parents

I hope that you are all keeping well and have settled back into the new half term. Thank you to all families for supporting our new playground arrangements at the start and end of the school day. Whilst this is never going to be a perfect science, congestion has definitely eased around these times during the playground. With the picture nationally, looking a little more positive this week in terms of the outlook on Covid, we are all hopeful that there may be a little more normalizing at least in the new year.

The next few weeks are always a busy time in schools as we begin to prepare for the many festivities that happen around this time of year. We have met with some of the PTA and they are organizing some fantastic activities that we hope you will get involved in. Additionally, we are beginning to plan at school what we will and will not be able to do. We will not be able to invite parents into school for our usual assemblies' and events at this time of year, but we will still be doing whatever we can to celebrate with the children as this is always such a lovely time in schools, where the community really comes together.

Next week, will mark the one year anniversary of the loss of Izzie Tyler within our school community. We will be remembering Izzie next week with a special assembly and lighting a candle for her. Our prayers and thoughts are with her family at this difficult time. Over the last few weeks, Izzie's family and friends have been clearing an area of the playground where we intend to create a memories garden in her memory. In the spring term, we hope to be able to invite everyone in our community, including Izzie's friends and their families into school to contribute to this project.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Marais Leenders

Executive Headteacher

Home Learning arrangements

Weekly homework is set for your child on Google Classroom. We firstly want to reiterate the importance of homework and that there is an expectation that homework is completed. By using Google classroom, we hope to bring homework into the 21st century as well as reduce the need for children to bring in additional books from home, thus reducing the risk of contamination during the COvid-19 pandemic.

It is really important that your child is regularly accessing Google classroom as in the event of a bubble or school closure due to Covid-19 we will be moving all our learning online to this platform. If you require any help or support please contact your child's class teacher.

COVID update

Thank you for continuing to support us to in keeping our school community safe. Below is a reminder on what to do should you or any member of your household develop symptoms.

Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS [testing and tracing for coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#) website, or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Please do not send your child to school if they are displaying any of these

Coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Phonics Workshop

The EYFS phonics workshop has been postponed until Wednesday 25th November at 3:45pm. If you are interested in finding out more about what phonics is, how we teach phonics at school and how you can support your child at home then this is the workshop for you. A Zoom link will be sent out via Parent mail to all EYFS parents nearer the time.



PTA news & updates

Hopefully you've all noticed the flurry of activity from the PTA over the past few weeks. Thank you to everyone who has been a part of it so far - sharing information, providing creative ideas and signing up for different initiatives. In these unusual times we're working hard to try and create opportunities to bring people together and support our school. There are lots of traditional events that we won't be able to do, but it doesn't mean it can't be a fun and worthwhile year for us all.

Those who submitted **Christmas/New Year card** designs should receive ordering information by email today. If you haven't received this info by Monday 16th November, please alert the PTA.

If you're planning to join the **Diwali Curry Night**, make sure to order before 4pm on Saturday (full details and menu were sent via Parent mail earlier this week and we have also included a copy of the back of the Newsletter). Raising money for the PTA as you eat your tea! How easy is that?!

You can now **shop online and raise money for our school** -

visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofworplepta/ to register, and participating retailers will donate while you do your Christmas shopping!

****SAVE THE DATE****

Lockdown Quiz Night - Friday 27th November

Keep your eyes peeled for details.

If anyone's willing to volunteer as quizmaster please contact us urgently!

Lastly, we're still looking for someone to join us on the core PTA officers' team - if anyone would be willing to join us as secretary it would be most appreciated.

Have a great week everyone!

Alison and Katie,

on behalf of the PTA Team

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Can you help?

As winter descends on us we are looking for games and puzzles to add to our wet play boxes for the children to play with at play and lunchtimes if it is too wet to go outside. If you have any games or puzzles that you are able to donate we would be most appreciative. Please only donate games or puzzles that contain all the necessary parts to play and are in good condition – thank you. Please give donations to the class teacher.

Lost Property

We are beginning to see an increase in lost property around the school. In order to reduce the amount of lost property we have in school, we ask every item of your child's clothing is labelled. Thank you.

Sporting News

Just before the half term our KS2 children took part in a cross-country event. Year 3 and 4 had to run a total distance of 1000m (1km) and Years 5 and 6 had to run a total distance of 1600m (1 mile). The children really impressed us with their sportsmanship and encouragement of each other as they ran the distance – a huge well done to all the children who participated in this event. A special congratulations to the fastest girl and boy in each year group:

Year 3: Ella and Harvey

Year 4: Marlie and Charlie

Year 5: Katerina and Ryan

Year 6: Tuana, Georgia and Samim



Reading Role Models

As parents we read all the time, but not necessarily books. We read the news, whether on social media, apps or in print. We read magazines that match our interests. We read instructions and manuals. Children often don't often see us doing this, or are unaware that we are actually reading. We need to make sure that the children see that we are reading and why we are doing it. Many children see their parent on their phone and just assume that they are playing a game as that is what they would use the phone for. Not understanding that we may be reading. Similarly, with kindles, children may think it is just a tablet.

Take the time to tell your children what you are reading and why you are reading it.

Where possible, it is great for them to actually see you reading, whether it is a book or a magazine. This then normalises the behaviour in the house and children will see it as an option of something to do – rather than a chore or something they have to do in school!



Super Sentences!

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, and find examples in their reading. It's a great way to develop and improve writing.

Short sentences

(For tension)

I slowly crept nearer.

What was that?

A dog yowled.

Classroom Corner

Year 4 have been busy this week applying for jobs as a Roman soldier, some the requirements were bravery, experience, strength and confidence. I wonder who will get the job. Check back in next week to find out!



Class	Merits
Nursery	Erkin for trying so hard to trace his name.
Reception	Audrey for always being a kind friend. Dennis for working really hard on his phonics.
Year 1	Neve - for her fantastic writing Amelia - for doing so good with her spelling
Year 2	Olive: For always trying her best, for being resilient and never giving up. Amy: For always helping in class and being kind to everyone at Worple.
Year 3	Cassius- For being so kind and a lovely friend to the new boy in our class. Nevaeh- for trying really hard in all lessons, being motivated to achieve.
Year 4	All of year 4 for showing great motivation in P.E this week with the tennis coach. They showed great enthusiasm and worked very sensibly.
Year 5	Manal and Rosie for always trying to do the best they can in every lesson and their homework, and for being kind and thoughtful friends. Well done, you set such a great example for everyone!
Year 6	Emelda - for working so hard, especially in maths lessons. You're so motivated to challenge yourself every day! Jack- for working hard to improve your reading and taking responsibility for your own learning. Well done!
Lunchtime Awards	Rabee- Fantastic behaviour all week in our KS2 playground – well done All of year 1- Brilliant behaviour all week in our KS1 playground

Key Dates

	Academic Year 2020-21
Monday 16 th November	Open morning for prospective parents (held virtually)
Wednesday 25 th November	EYFS Phonics workshop for parents at 3:45pm (held virtually)
Monday 7 th December	Flu vaccinations
Tuesday 8 th December	Open afternoon for prospective parents (held virtually)
Friday 18 th December	Break up for Christmas

WORPLE PTA PRESENTS

Diwali

TAKEAWAY SUPPER



Orders
over £30 will
get a free
Diwali
gift!

SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

Enjoy an authentic Indian supper at home
and help raise money for Worple PTA!

Special Diwali Menu:

Starters

Hara Bara Kebabs £3.99
Veggie Samosas £3
Mixed pakoras £4.99

Mains

Shahi Paneer £6.99
Cauliflower Jalfrezi £6.99
Creamy Daal £5.99
Spicy Tadka Daal £5.99
Okra Masala £7.99
Butter Chicken £7.99
Coriander Chicken £7.99

Veggie Navratan Pulao £6.99
Shahi Chicken Biryani £7.99
Fish Biryani £9.99
Cumin Rice £3

Dessert

Homemade Mixed Mithai
£5.99

Order by 4pm on Saturday 14th Nov by text/WhatsApp
to Homemade Curries on 07533 899943. Orders are for
collection on Chertsey Rd.

