



Dear Parents/Carers and Pupils,

It has been a pleasure to get to know all the children and many of the parents at Wordsworth Primary School. I have been Head Teacher of Shirley Junior School for 10 years and it is a privilege to now be able to lead such a welcoming friendly school as Wordsworth Primary.

I am very passionate about learning; I believe that every child has the right to a high-quality education. I will strive to ensure our school is inclusive, that every child is heard, ensuring their needs are met so they make strong progress in both their academic and social development.

### **Behaviour for Learning**

This year Wordsworth Primary School is focussing on developing children's ability to focus on their learning and feel proud to be part of our school.

It is important to ensure children are taught the vital skills to self-regulate so they are successful in school. At Wordsworth, we have started having assemblies every week that focus on our School Rules. We unpick what these rules look like around our school and celebrate those that are following them, as well as support those who need to learn skills to self-regulate.

I believe, as a Head Teacher, it is important to create a calm, purposeful learning atmosphere where children feel safe to take risks in their play and learning in both the classroom and on the playground. Many children have really benefited from our new lunchtime routines, giving them time and space to eat with friends as well as play outside with a range of equipment and toys.



I ask that all parents/carers uphold our school values.

### ***'Learning, Trust, Community, Nurture, Empowerment'***

Please support both your child and all the staff by **always speaking respectfully**; remembering all staff are here every day to do their best for all the children at Wordsworth Primary school. If you have any concerns please contact Mrs King via [info@wordsworthprimary.co.uk](mailto:info@wordsworthprimary.co.uk) in the first instance.



## **Harvest Assembly**

On Monday 14th October, the whole school celebrated Harvest Festival. We had an amazing response for donations, and we were able to fill three large tables with our produce.

In Year R and KS1 each class had learned a special song to sing. Year R sang "Big Red Combine Harvester" beautifully at their first harvest assembly. Year 1 sang "We are the Farmers" and Year 2 sang "The Potato Song". Sandy from Salvation Army talked to us about planting seeds and thinking about how our actions affect other people.

In KS2, the children sang two songs together which sounded fantastic and allowed for some harmony singing from the choir. Sandy also shared her Harvest message with them.

Thank you to our Year 6 helpers who went around the school to collect the donations, arranged them in the hall and helped pack them all up in bags and boxes at the end of the morning.

## **Choir visit to King Edward's School to sing with 'The sixteen'**



During the last week of term, KES were offering a free workshop day for young players to sing with, learn from and listen to professional musicians from the choral group "The Sixteen" and to perform with the group and KES singers at the end of the day. The children had an amazing day performing in their concert.

I look forward to getting to know more of you over the coming months. We will be having a 'Share my Learning' (previously known as Open Doors) this month, where I hope you will be able to come in and see your child's learning and celebrate with them the effort they have made so far this year. Further details regarding dates will follow.

We hope you had a fantastic half term break!

Mrs Hixon  
Executive Head Teacher

