



# Wordsworth Primary School Newsletter

## Dear Parents and children-

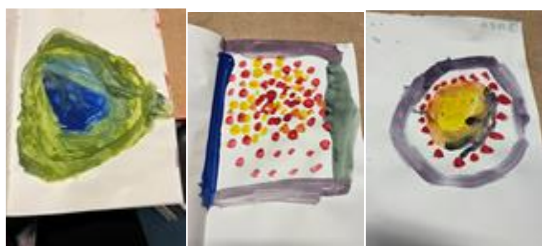
Welcome back – we hope you all had a lovely Easter Break. Apologies for the later than usual sending of the half termly newsletter. Hopefully you will still enjoy seeing what the children got up to last half term!

**Year R** have been busy working out what might hatch from a mystery egg that appeared in our garden! The children wrote their predictions down and had a wide variety of guesses: dinosaur, unicorn, chocolate bunny!

They have also had lots of fun riding our brand new bikes whilst learning directional language such as: left, right, turning, forwards, backwards. They finished off the term with a special Easter hunt in the garden. The children worked so well with their partners to find all of the pictures, which they were able to trade for a chocolate egg.



**Year 1** have been looking at colour in Art and have been experimenting with colour mixing. They then used their knowledge of primary colours and secondary colours to create a piece of artwork inspired by the story called 'The dot'.



**Year 2** have really enjoyed Design and Technology sessions this half term. They have been very busy threading needles, joining fabric and practising their running stitch. They designed and created little blankets and were very proud of their final pieces!



## Spring 2 2023

**Year 3** enjoyed making their own fossils as part of our science topic - Rock n Roll - looking at different types of rocks and soil and learning that Fossils are replicas of once living things. Year 3 and 4 have also been celebrating working as a team with a Spring crafting day. They made pom pom spring animals, planted sunflower seeds in their collaged flower pot and weaved Easter cards before the Treasure Hunt. What a way to finish a FANTASTIC half term!



At the start of last half-term, in DT **Year 4** planned and made their own omelette, using the facilities at Upper Shirley High School! In History, we studied the Ancient Egyptians, focusing on what artifacts told us about the way they lived and why the Nile was so crucial to them!



**Year 5** had a great half term learning about crime and punishment since the Anglo-Saxon period, working hard on their fractions knowledge and writing stories. The highlight of their half term was the trip to London and the Natural History Museum. The children were in awe of the exhibits they saw. Their superb behaviour was a credit to themselves and our school. Well done!



**Year 6** continued to work extremely hard, and really enjoyed 'Aspiration Week' where they learnt a lot about different career paths. In the final week this year's production was announced. ('Pirates of the Curry Bean') and auditions were held. All the children are involved in the production, either onstage, backstage, or as creative input and will begin to learn the songs in this term's Music lessons. More details to follow soon...!



# SPORTS DAY!

Sports Days this year will be held on two separate days for each Key Stage.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May –Year R, 1 and 2**

Parents are invited to attend and spend the morning watching your child take part in a range of sporting activities and races. We would love to see you and your families come to support your child.

## Timetable for the days

9.15 onwards – Parents to arrive

9.30 – Rotation of activities will start on the field, followed by individual races.

11.00 – Family time: Children will be able to enjoy an extended play time and parents are invited to stay and enjoy it with them.

11.30 – Parents leave and children get ready for lunchtime.

Afternoon – Children take part in a range of fun sports & PE activities.

## Rationale

- You may notice that Sports Days have been moved to earlier in the year. We have decided to do this for a number of reasons. The first being the weather in the second half of the summer term has been extremely hot for the last few years, leading to concerns about a lack of shade during the day. We hope that this will make the day more comfortable for everybody.
- As well as this, the Summer term is an extremely busy one, so by moving Sports days to be earlier we are hoping to make the last few weeks of school less jam-packed!
- We have also made the decision to have a separate Sports Day for the younger and older children. The aim of this is to make the day less rushed for the children and to give them more time to enjoy a range of different sports.

## Feedback

We would really appreciate your feedback on the changes we have made to Sports Days this year. After the events, please let us know whether you feel they have been positive changes!





# In other news....

As you know last half term the children worked hard to earn **UNITE** points, and were able to celebrate their efforts with an Easter egg Hunt and Crafts. This half term the children will be working towards earning **TRUST TOKENS**. These can be earned by showing safe and sensible behaviour when walking around school and respecting the school rules. Year teams will be choosing a celebratory activity that the Trust tokens can be exchanged for.

## School rules

1. We make safe choices
2. We show respect to each other
3. We follow instructions
4. We look after our school environment
5. We reflect and repair

## Celebrations

Some of our families celebrated Orthodox Easter between 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> April so this week, a few children shared one traditional custom and had a 'cracking eggs' competition: they knocked their dyed, hard-boiled Easter eggs just as they do it with their families at home.



Towards the end of this week, many Muslim families in our community will be celebrating the most important festival – Eid-al-Fitr, also known as Sweet Eid. Some Year 6 children have talked about the importance of this festival and how they celebrate it. They also made posters that are displayed in the library. **To those of you who are celebrating and your loved ones, we wish you all Eid Mubarak! May your life be filled with blessings, prosperity and good health!**



## Tribute for King's Coronation

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May the children will be acknowledging the Coronation by singing a song together on the playground. There will also be a Coronation related activity in class on that day.

## SATS

Our wonderful hard working Year 6's will be sitting their SAT's the week beginning Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

A reminder that breakfast will be provided for Year 6 by the school this week from 8am.

Our awesome Year 2's will also be doing their SATS booklets in a relaxed environment the week beginning the 15<sup>th</sup> May. Good luck Year 2 and 6, we know all of you will do your best and do yourselves proud.

## Notices:

- A reminder that there will be whole school class photos on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May.
- Another reminder that there will be a non -school uniform day on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May to raise funds for the HET Foundation- this is a charity that supports families from schools in the Trust.
- Thank you to all the parents that manage to get their children to school every day on time. A gentle reminder that all our gates shut at 8:50am. After this time, children have to go through the School Office. In order to reduce the time spent signing late children in, please can we ensure children's dinners are pre-ordered before school via the MCAS app. If you require access to the MCAS app, please contact Mrs Evans in the school office.

