



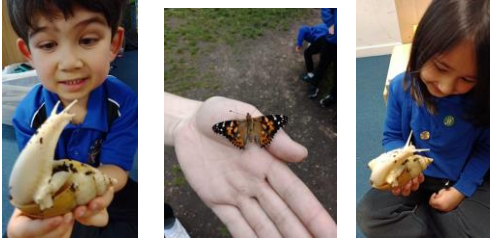
Wordsworth Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Children

Wow the weeks have really flown by this half term. We are especially proud of our Year 6 children who showed amazing determination, effort and recently sitting their SATs a couple of weeks ago and Year 2 who have been doing their booklets so calmly and sensibly over the last couple of weeks. We have also been incredibly proud of all our children for their participation and efforts in our Sports Days this week. Here is a flavour of the other things we have been up to.

Year R have been extremely excited to watch some tiny caterpillars grow and transform into beautiful butterflies. Some children even managed to watch one of the butterflies emerge from its cocoon!

Mrs Workman's giant African land snail, Jelly, also came to visit and lots of the children loved seeing it up close!



Year 1 have been learning about plants and trees. To start off their learning they went on an amazing trip to Hilliers. They had so much fun investigating trees, learning about flowers and using natural resources in Art. In school they have learnt about wildflowers and had fun planting some flowers in our outside area.



Year 2 have had fun learning all about how to grow plants! They have been growing runner beans, sunflowers and some bulbs. They have been experimenting with the conditions they have put their plants in to see which ones grow best!

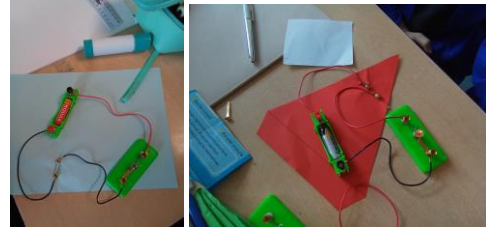


Year 3 have had a very exciting half term, two of the main highlights being experiencing what life was like in the different classes on the Titanic and learning to sew to make our very own hand puppets!

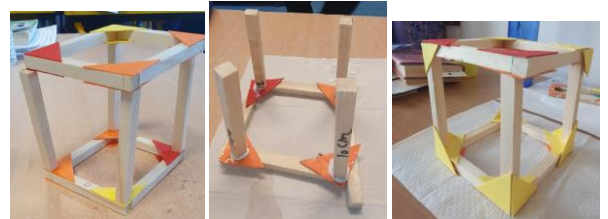


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Year 4 have been continuing their learning of Ancient Egypt. They had an immersion day, in which we learned about constellations and went on a virtual tour of the British museum to find Ancient Egyptian artefacts! We also made papyrus and completed mummification to understand what life was like in Ancient Egypt. They have also learnt about electricity and how to create working circuits, closely look at what materials conduct electricity. Look at some of the examples the Year 4 have done.



Year 5 have been using our Design & Technology skills to make prototype outdoor classrooms. They practiced these skills by creating structures using art straws before moving on to making their structures out of wood. They have learned how to safely use saws to cut the wood and how to reinforce their structures so they are strong. They have also been enjoying exploring the poem 'The Highway Man' by Alfred Noyes. They have used this, as well as our crime and punishment knowledge from history, to write non-chronological reports.



Year 6 have had a fantastic summer 1 term, which they have approached with confidence, resilience and determination! Everyone did incredibly well during the SATs week and we are all so proud of them. The children have worked hard in English this half term writing some exciting narratives about spooky dolls, and continued to learn about the Ancient Greeks, hosting their own Olympic games inside the classroom! They have also learnt to classify living things in science with accuracy and finally have begun to learn their lines for our upcoming end of year performance 'The Pirates of the Curry Bean!'.





SPORTS DAY

We have a great week celebrating two fantastic, fun-filled sports days. It was so lovely to see so many parents come along to our sports days this year. We were really proud to welcome 504 parents across two busy days! We hope you all had a great time cheering on your children! Feedback we had from the day was extremely positive, so thank you!

All of our children took part in a carousel of activities including javelin, hurdles, sack races, quoit throwing and many more. We rounded up the mornings with races and a refreshing ice-lolly. We are extremely proud of our students for trying their best and showing their sportsmanship by encouraging and cheering on others.



This year, we added an extra afternoon of sporting fun where children joined in with two different sports. We had six different sports happening around the school – tennis, netball, dodgeball, bench ball, cricket and rounders. Some of the children learned a sport that they have never played before and it was a great chance to continue to build our Wordsworth community as children were able to play with students and teachers that they may not have known before.



We are extremely grateful to the students and staff from Regents Park for supporting us on both days.

REGENTS PARK



Community College

As we have made changes to how we have run sports days this year, we invite any feedback about how you feel they have gone. Please let us know if you have any feedback so that we can continue to improve.

Congratulations to our Penguins house, who won the Sports Day cup this year!






School Uniform Expectations

Last September we launched our active uniform, a new blue polo, a royal blue round-neck logo sweatshirt or cardigan, black leggings, shorts or jogging bottoms and black (or mostly black) trainers. This doubles up both as the day-to-day school uniform and Outdoor Learning/ P.E uniform. For the summer term a blue gingham playsuit has also been added as an option. The children look incredibly smart in their uniforms.

However, we do still regularly have children coming to school in non-school uniform items, such as hoodies and colourful T shirts, particularly on P.E days. It is important that the children wear the correct uniform, this identifies us as a community and prepares children for the expectations of Secondary school with regards to uniform. Please can you support us in insisting your child wears the correct items, which have been carefully chosen with additional needs in mind.

From September if children come to school in non -school uniform, they will be given a school uniform item to wear instead from our school supplies. If your child still has school uniform with the old school logo on, this is perfectly acceptable while they grow out of it.

Thank you for your support of our uniform expectations. These can also be found on our website.



From time to time we are aware that supermarkets and other providers are sometimes out of stock of the royal blue polo. In this instance we would recommend buying any blue polo (for example the lighter blue polo) if you urgently need a new polo for your child before stocks are replenished.

Book bags and fleeces are also available from our uniform suppliers- Kool Skool and Skoolkit should you wish to purchase them.

We are still getting a large amount of lost property. Where items are named these can be returned easily to your children. However if unnamed, they often go unclaimed and end up going to charity. Please name your children's clothes to prevent this happening.

Thank you for your support.

Notices:

- The time has finally come for Mrs Barwell to say goodbye in preparation for moving on to her new headship post. She would like to thank all the parents and children once again for your well wishes and for making her time at Wordsworth so special. Miss Harvey will be taking over from Mrs Barwell next half term, before the replacement Deputy Head teachers are officially in post from September.
- We know you will also join us in wishing Mrs Chandler, one of our ELSA's and Teaching Assistants well as she leaves us to take up an exciting new post at Southlands Residential Special School. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication looking after the wellbeing of our children.
- We have been excited to welcome our new Site Manager, Adam West this half term. Mr West will be working alongside Mr Marsh to look after our large school site and keep us all safe.
- A gentle reminder, if your child is absent from school, please ensure that you call the school office before 9:30am. We have the facility for parents to leave messages on our answer machine 24 hours a day. Parents can also email at info@wordsworth.co.uk.
- Please note any Leave of Absence within term time is not authorised, unless in exceptional circumstances. If you are planning a trip away or your child is absent from school for any occasion, please can you ensure a Leave of Absence form is obtained from the school office. Please ensure the form is completed and returned 2 weeks prior to the event.
Thank you for your support
- Have a wonderful half term break, fingers crossed for some sunshine!

