



Wordsworth Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents and children

What a busy half-term we have had in school full of lots of trips and visits. Here is a flavor of what we have all been up to!

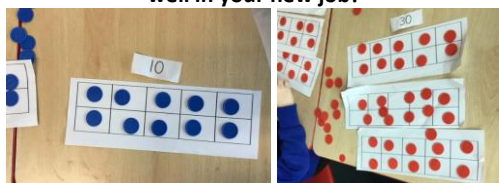
Year R have been working so hard, showing our resilience and teamwork right to the end! We have been learning some football skills from some of the older children, showing off our brilliant ball control! We have carried on with our love of bug hunting but this time we have added giant moths, green grasshoppers and scuttling ladybirds to our findings! This has supported our understanding of adjectives as we have extended our sentence writing by adding describing words! Finally, we have been learning all about keeping ourselves healthy from teeth cleaning to The Eatwell Guide and how to have a balanced diet! What a busy final half-term!

Year R are saying a fond farewell to Mrs Workman this week. We wish you well in your new role!



Year 1 have been busy getting ready for year 2. In Maths, we have been practising making 2 digit numbers using tens frames. In English, we have been using time connectives, conjunctions and proper nouns to write exciting sentences. In Geography, we have travelled around the UK and in Science, we learned about animals. We can tell you what the five different animal groups are as well as what an omnivore, herbivore and carnivore are.

Year 1 are saying a fond farewell to Mrs Matthews this week. We wish you well in your new job!



Year 2 have been very impressed with the children in Year 2 this year. They have made amazing progress with all of their work and they have shown great resilience. We had fun at the beginning of the year when we were visited by some incredible creatures. We were even allowed to hold some of them! We also had a visit from Florence Nightingale and we were very good at remembering facts about how she has changed hospitals and nursing. We finished the year with an amazing trip to Minstead; we went for a long hike through the forest, made clay creatures, went stream dipping and tried to go to sleep earlier!



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Year 3 have been busy learning about lots of different things this half term. In English, we have enjoyed reading fiction and non-fiction texts about dragons then writing our own incredible stories and information pages, showing off all the skills we learnt this year! We also absolutely loved our trip to Lepe Beach where we found out all about the features of the coast and coastal erosion!



Year 4 have had a fantastic term including our long awaited residential trip to Home Farm. We looked after the animals on the farm, including mucking out the pigs, feeding the goats and taking them out to the field and caring for the guinea pigs and rabbits. We studied the journey of a tributary from its source to the River Beaulieu. We visited Beaulieu Motor Museum as well as enjoying a campfire and falconry talk. Meanwhile the children at school studied a river, created their own model rivers with sand and water and enjoyed making river paintings. We also took the Multiplication Tables Check and all did fantastically as the children's hard work paid off.

Year 4 are saying a fond farewell to Mrs Nice and Mr Ruggles this week. We wish you well in your new adventures!



Year 5 have thoroughly enjoyed reading Holes by Louis Sachar. They applied all of the skills they have learnt throughout year 5 and produced an incredible missing chapter for the book. The children have been earning kindness tokens this half term and as a reward, they were able to watch the film holes. Most of year 5 went on a Science trip to Regents Park, which they enjoyed. Whilst they were there, they experienced a secondary school Science lab and undertook experiments that allowed them to explore PH indicators. Excitingly, we have appointed prefects from across the year group in preparation for September. Well done to the children who were successful.





Year 6 have had a fantastically busy last half-term!

We have been hard at work, preparing for our swashbuckling play, 'The Pirates of the Currybean'. The children worked so hard and the play was a huge success. Thank you to our fantastic audiences of families, staff and Year 3 and 5 children.

Our party last night, 'Wordsworth Fest', was a spectacular celebration of our children's time at the school. We danced the night away at the silent disco and enjoyed pizza, cake and even had a visit from the ice-cream van.



Parents, thank you so much for your support over the years; we are so glad you chose Wordsworth.



Year 6, we are so proud to be sending you off to Secondary schools and we know that you are going to make great Year 7s. Well done for all your hard work this year and enjoy your summer holidays!



Year 6 are saying a fond farewell to Mr Walsh, Mr Beazley and Miss Edwards this week. We wish you well in your new jobs!



MUSIC

It has been a busy few weeks for our musicians in school. Our three school choirs combined with other local schools to perform at the "Solent Shanty Sing" event at West Quay walls and at the St James Park Summer Festival. We had 71 children taking part in these events and were very proud of their singing and enthusiasm.

We have over a hundred children learning to play instruments in school and it is always fantastic to hear them perform at our Summer Concerts. On 6th July 60 children from Years Two, Three and Four performed with their groups. Violins, violas, cellos, clarinets and trumpets all bravely performed in front of a large audience. For lots of these children, it was their first ever instrumental performance and we were so impressed with their confidence and the way they had been prepared by our visiting instrumental teachers.

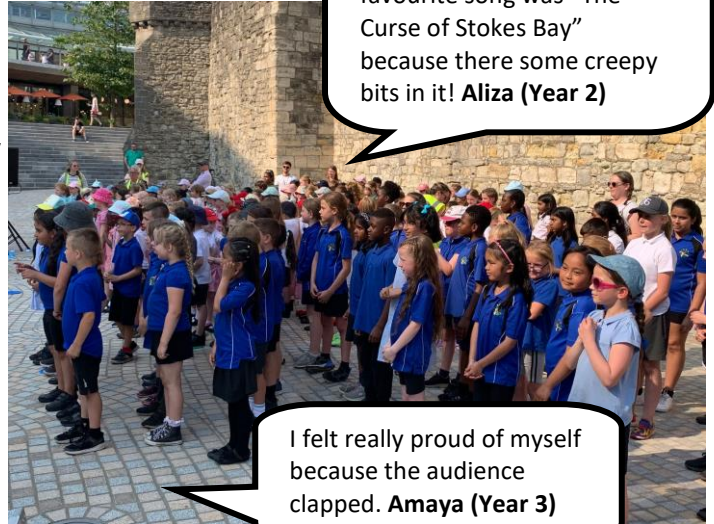
Before I played, I felt worried and scared but after I played I felt proud because I didn't make any mistakes.
Zoe (Year 3)

I enjoyed playing in the concert and listening to everyone else.
Thomas (Year 3)

I liked how there were lots of us singing all together.
Clara (Year 2)



I loved how all the parents got to see us sing. My favourite song was "The Curse of Stokes Bay" because there some creepy bits in it! **Aliza (Year 2)**



I felt really proud of myself because the audience clapped. **Amaya (Year 3)**

Last week, it was the turn of our older performers at the Year Five and Six Concert. We had 51 performers, including string players, woodwind, brass and a massed guitar group with 20 players! Our School Orchestra have been working all year on their pieces and I would like to thank them for their commitment and dedication this year – it was great to hear you perform so well. I would like to wish all of our Year Six players lots of luck as they move up to secondary school and hope that they can continue being involved in Music.

In orchestra I get to play different things to my lessons. It feels good that we work as part of a team. **Alex (Year 5)**



Mrs Thompsett



We celebrated Eid-al-Adha, we learned about the story of Ibrahim's sacrifice and made some decorations.

To celebrate Refugee Week, we watched a few videos and talked about ways to make our school a welcoming community for refugees and asylum-seekers.



For the first time, we entered a poetry translation competition – the Stephen Spender Prize. Well done for finding the time and focus to do the beautiful translations and good luck to our Y5 and Y6 participants!



Mrs Gheorghita





Meet the new teachers!

Miss Chloe Orchard (Year R)



Mrs Nicki Wakeling (Year 1)



Miss Gia Braccia (Year 2)



Miss Sophia Chowdhury (Year 4)



Mrs Seyda Crump (Year 5)



Mrs Lucy Lawson (Year 6)



Notices:

- I am sure you will join us in wishing Matt Robson (HLTA), Rachael Hutton (TA), Sadie Simpson (TA) the very best of luck as they all move on to begin their teacher training in September.
- Some of you will have met Mrs Buckman who has temporarily been working with our SENCO team. She is looking forward to setting up an SEN hub linked to a school closer to where she lives. We all wish her well with this new challenge.
- Next year we will be working with OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) to develop our provision for lunchtime play. If you are interested to find out more, please take a look at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7UCex3K_0j4 . As part of this project, we need a parent to join our OPAL team. If you are interested, please email info@wordsworthprimary.co.uk.
- Our INSET day on Monday 5th February will now be brought forward to **Tuesday 14th November** in order for us to get started with this exciting play project.
- We wish you all a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you back in school on **Tuesday 5th September**.

