



Wormholt News



Friday 12th January

Head's Chat

Dear Families,

I hope everyone had a wonderful break and a very Happy New Year!

It was so lovely to see all the children on Tuesday. They all came in sensibly ready to learn. It was also great to see all our parents/carers too!

The children have been thinking about their New Year Resolutions this week. We talked about what their resolutions could be at home and at school. Lots of them said they were going to be more helpful at home - tidying up and helping to cook! Please let me know if they stick to this 😊.

We are going to be having a focus on attendance and punctuality this term. I have a beautiful trophy I will be awarding to the class with 100% punctuality each week. I wonder which class will get it first?

I do hope you find our newsletters useful. Please feedback to us if you have any ideas that you would like to be included. Have a lovely weekend!

Anika Hargie

Headteacher

Author Visit



This week we were fortunate to have a visit from the author George Badejo-Adegbenga. George has written a book for children which introduces young readers to the essential concepts of financial literacy in a fun and exciting way. George read us a passage from his new book 'The Coin Quest' and we were given the opportunity to ask him questions. He was very impressed with the quality of the questions we asked. George very generously donated 10 copies of his book for our classrooms and also gave three lucky children a signed copy that they could take home and keep.

Bringing additional drinks and snacks into school

A gentle reminder about what drinks and snacks children can and cannot bring into school for playtime, lunchtime or after school club.

General

No fizzy drinks, chocolate, sweets or any food items that contain nuts

Playtimes:

We provide a fruit snack for all children in KS1. Children can bring in one piece of fruit and a bottle of water if they would like.

Lunchtime

If your child has a packed lunch: we encourage parents to pack a healthy and balanced packed lunch

If your child has a school dinner: School dinner and water is provided. Your child should not bring in any additional drinks or snacks.

After school club

After school clubs run for up to 60 minutes. Your child may bring in one piece of fruit and some water if needed. No other snacks should be brought into school for after school club

Baby & Toddler Stay and Play - Tuesday 30th January

This event is open to all parents with babies and toddlers! Please join us in the bottom hall from 8.45 to 9.30am

Class donations to food bank

Hammersmith & Fulham Food Bank sent their thanks to Wormholt Park School and told us that our school donations have helped to support over 2000 people a month! We agreed as a school that each month, one year group would collect items to donate to the foodbank. So far Year 5 (November) and Year 4 (December) have collected items and delivered them to the Hub at White city. Coming up it will be:

- February - Year 2
- March - Year 3
- April - Staff
- May - Year 1
- June - Reception
- July - Nursery

This month (January) is the turn of **Year 6**. They need food such as tins of soup, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, cereal , tinned tomatoes, and rice pudding. At the end of each month the children in the class will deliver it to the food bank at white city. Thank you in advance for your support with this

Blue Peter Badges - Reading



Blue Peter is introducing an exciting new Book badge, designed by one of the UK's best known illustrators, Sir Quentin Blake. To get a Blue Peter badge children need to be aged between 5-15 years old. Have the permission of their parent or guardian to apply and ask them to read the Privacy Notice and badge attraction terms and conditions. Children should apply online and tell NBlue Peter about a book they have read and what they think about it. Maybe they liked the characters, or perhaps they enjoyed going on exciting adventures in faraway places. Children can upload an illustration of a character or a scene from the story. This could be a drawing, painting or even

digital artwork. Parents or guardians should fill out the online form.

To find out more click [here](#) to visit the Blue Peter Web page:

Cost-of-Living guide

Hammersmith & Fulham have produced a cost-of-living booklet to support residents of H&F. The booklet contains contact details for organisations that are helping residents this winter with financial advice, funding and wellbeing support. You can access this information on their website by [clicking here](#) or pick up a copy from the school office



Parents Coffee Morning - Monday 22nd January

This event is open to all parents! Please join us for a tea and a chat in the bottom hall from 8.45 to 9.30am

Contact with teachers

Please note that it is not possible for Parents/Carer to speak to class teachers at the start of the school day. Teachers are with their class from 8.30am and are unable to leave. Parents/Carers are always able to speak to class teachers at the end of the school day or are invited to make an appointment with the school office if they would like a longer meeting. Members of the SLT are always available in the playground at the start of the school day if a parent/carer would like to discuss a concern. Alternatively, the office staff are always happy to pass on a message to class teachers. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this.

Toilet Training



"Virtual" Toilet Training

NOW may be the perfect time to start toilet training your child.

If you've got a little one who isn't toilet trained yet and may also have additional needs, we're here to help you with everything you need to know about getting started!

We will support you with a program broken down into small achievable steps and give ideas to help you as well as always being available if you need some extra advice or support.

Join Andrea & Sandie from the INSPIRE Service via **Teams** meetings on

Friday 12th January and Friday 26th January 2024

Each session starts at 10.15am

Toilet training is an important development skill which we have broken into steps for parents so you can recognise the developmental progression.

*You will need to join us for **both sessions**, to understand your child's toilet training journey.*

Session 1: Getting Started

Session 2: A Whole New World

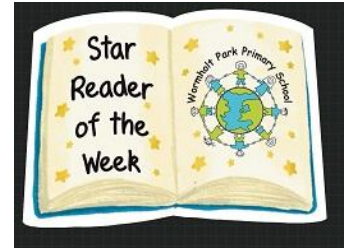
If you want to join us please contact: Sandie.briggs@lbhf.gov.uk and she will send you the registration document and the links to the Teams meetings.

INSPIRE are running Toilet training sessions to support parents with toilet training on Friday 12th January and Friday 26th January from 10.15am (See below) if you wish to attend these sessions please email Sandie at : Sandie.briggs@lbhf.gov.uk

Reader of the Week

This week, the Star Readers of the Week are Jalil in Harare (Y1) and Elias in Salvador (Y6)

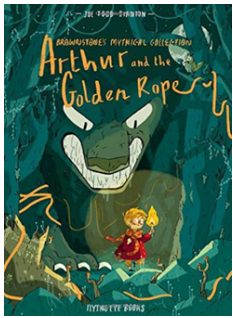
Well Done!



Weekly Book Review

This week, we have a book review from Athens Class (Y4)

Book: Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd-Stanton



Joe Todd-Stanton's 'Arthur and the golden rope' captivated the hearts of our Athens class last term, earning a well-deserved 5 stars. The enchanting narrative, coupled with Joe's vibrant and captivating illustrations, transported our young readers to a magical realm of imagination. The stunning visuals not only delighted but also inspired creative fantastic comic strips crafted by our students. A delightful read that seamlessly blends storytelling and artistry.

Arthur's journey in this captivating tale leads him through magical woods, where he collects enchanting items. However, the plot takes a thrilling turn when he discovers a terrifying beast wreaking havoc in the city, causing harm to its residents. The suspense intensifies – what choices will Arthur make to confront this menace and protect the people? Read to find out!

Skills Builder Weekly Challenge

Have you been completing any of these skills builder challenges at home? Please let us know how you are finding these. Here is this week's challenge!



Skills Challenges

[See all Skills Challenges](#)

Demonstrate your listening skills by playing a game of 'Simon Says' with your family or friends.

Pick another member of your family or friends to be 'Simon'. Everyone else must follow Simon's instructions but only when they say 'Simon says...'. For example, if 'Simon says touch your nose', you touch your nose. However, listen carefully because if the person does not say 'Simon says' you do not need to do it.

Extension: Encourage everyone to show their listening by changing who 'Simon' is.

Reflection Questions

Getting Started: How can you make sure you are listening carefully?

Intermediate: What does it mean to summarise what you have heard?

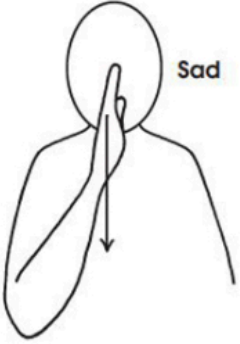


Advanced: Why is summarising or rephrasing what you have heard useful sometimes?

Mastery: How might changing the language (words) used affect how you feel about something?


Skills Builder has resources available for parents/carers on their website. The [Home Zone](#) helps parents and carers to build their child's essential skills at home. Each week they have a different Skills Challenge that parents/carers can complete with their child. [Click here to visit their website](#)

Sign Language - Sad

12th January: this week's sign is; Sad

Makaton	British Sign Language (BSL)
	
British Sign Language spelling (BSL)	
	

School Calendar

						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Back to School	10	11 School Uniform Recycling	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Parents Coffee Morning	23	24	25	26 Lx Pac Clean Assembly Birthday Bash	27
28	29	30 Stay & Play	31			

Our School calendar is updated regularly. Please click the link to access it. [Click here to see](#)

Applying for Reception 2024

Applying for Reception - Closing Date: **15th January 2023**

Apply Via Local Authority:

<https://www.lbhf.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/starting-school-reception-2024>

More information will be sent out soon.

The link is for families living in Hammersmith & Fulham. If you live in another borough, you will need to apply through your home Local Authority.

Useful Dates this term

Spring Term 2023	
Thursday 11th January 2024	School Uniform Recycling
Friday 26th January	La Paz (Year 2) Class Assembly - from 10.00am
Friday 26th January	Birthday Bash
Friday 2nd February	Tokyo (Year 5) Class Assembly - from 10.00am
Tuesday 20th February	School Uniform Recycling
Friday 23rd February	Birthday Bash
Friday 1st March	Athens (Year 4) Class Assembly - from 10.00am
Friday 8th March	Washington (Year 3) Class Assembly - from 10.00am
Friday 22nd March	Havana (Year 1) Class Assembly - from 10.00am
Friday 22nd March	Birthday Bash

Term Dates

Spring Term 2024	
Tuesday 9th January	Children back
Monday 12th - Friday 16th February	Half Term
Thursday 28th March - 1.30pm	End of Term
Summer Term 2024	
Monday 15th April	Children back
Friday 19th April	INSET DAY
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May	Half Term
Monday 17th June	INSET DAY
Tuesday 23rd July - 1.30pm	Last day of term