



Wormholt News

Friday 17th January

Head's Chat

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a good week.

We had great excitement in the playground this week, as we were visited by a beautiful parrot who flew around the playground at high speed and then kept saying 'hello' to the children! Sadly, we didn't manage to get a photo of it!

The children have been working hard this week. I was sent some amazing art work from some year 3 children and I also saw some wonderful clay pots the Year 2s had made. We are so lucky to have our art studio!

Please read through this newsletter carefully, as there is a survey about class photos and some important information about Arbor, our new parent communication system.

Please make sure your child is on time every day - we really want to see an improvement in punctuality this year.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Mrs Hargie

Headteacher

Arbor - parent log in - we now have 53% of parents signed up! We want to get to 100% asap - so please follow the instructions below....



You will have recently received details to set up your Arbor Parent Portal account. Using Arbor allows us to communicate with you more efficiently, and will enable you to access a wider range of information about your child's school life, via the Arbor Parent Portal and the downloadable Parent App.

The Parent Portal and Parent App will let you see your child's registration data and their attendance. You will be able to register your child for trips and clubs and make payments; all from one portal on your phone or computer. If you have downloaded the App and allowed notifications, we will also be able to send in-app messages directly to your phone.

How do I log in to the new system?

To set up a login for your account on the new system, you just need to set a password. Your username is the email address we've sent the 'Welcome to Arbor at Wormholt Park School!' to. The Arbor Parent App can be downloaded from either the Playstore on android phones or the Apple Store on iPhones.

Pupil Data

Once you have logged in, you will be able to see all the basic pupil data for your child(ren), such as guardian contact details, consents and attendance data, by clicking 'View Student Profile'.

If you see any data which you think is incorrect, there is the option to request that we change this, by clicking on the grey arrows next to the data; this sends a request to the school to update the data.

Payments

The option to make payments via Arbor will be activated once you set up your account, we will cease using SchoolComms at the end of this month.

Thank you for your support with this change, which we hope will have a positive impact on your experience of communicating with the school.

Class Photos

We had a very low number of class photos being bought this year, so we are wondering whether parents/carers would like to go back to the traditional photos or keep the modern ones. Please complete this online survey so we can see what the majority would prefer. It should take less than a minute!



<https://forms.gle/eu64Ho5uhmbro4Ky7>

Class Assemblies

Please see below the list of upcoming dates of class assemblies for this year. These are held in the bottom hall from 10.10am to 10.30am. Doors open at 10.05am. Please can we remind you that any photographs or videos taken during class assemblies are for personal use only and should NOT be shared on any social media. Many thanks. We hope to see you there!

Date	Year Group	Class
Friday 24 th January 2025	Year 1	Havana
Friday 14 th February 2025	Year 5	Tripoli
Friday 7 th March 2025	Year 2	La Paz
Friday 28 th March 2025	Year 2	Lima
Friday 2 nd May 2025	Year 3	Washington
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Reception	Ottawa
Friday 6 th June 2025	Year 4	Athens
Friday 20 th June 2025	Reception	Oslo

Parent Workshops

Please see below our Parent Workshops on offer this term all are held in the Bottom Hall. All are welcome to attend. We hope to see you there!



PARENT WORKSHOPS

Date	Workshop	Time	Year
Wed 29/01	Health	8.45	All
Wed 05/02	Learning through play	8.45	All
Fri 14/02	OPAL Play Session	8.45	All
Wed 26/02	Zones of Regulation	8.45	All
Tues 04/03	Coffee Morning	8.45	All
Tues 11/03	TBC	8.45	All
Tues 18/03	Tapestry Workshop	8.45	EYFS
Tues 25/03	Coffee Morning	8.30	All
Tues 01/04	TBC	8.45	All

Toilet training - a workshop for parents

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, INSPIRE are there to help you with everything you need to know about getting started! They 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 24th January and Friday 7th February - 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 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.

Rights Respecting - Article of the Week

This week we are learning about and celebrating the following Article.



Article 3 – Best Interests of the Child

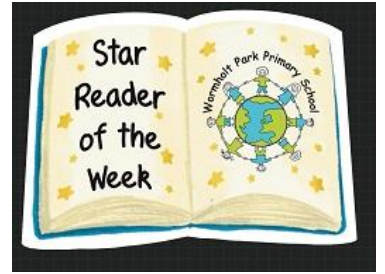
In all actions concerning children, whether undertaken by public or private social welfare institutions, courts of law, administrative authorities or legislative bodies, the best interests of the child shall be a primary consideration .

You can find out more about the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) by visiting their website:

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/what-we-do/un-convention-child-rights/>

Reader of the Week

This week, the Star Readers of the Week are Abdullahi from La Paz Class (Y2) and Kenzi from Washington Class (Y3). Well Done both of you!



Weekly Book Review

This term, our staff will be writing reviews of books they enjoyed reading. This week we have a book review from Ms Gomez from our Nursery Class about a book she enjoyed as a child.

Book Review: Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince By J.K.Rowling

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince holds such a special place in my heart, and I honestly can't imagine a time when I didn't love it. Growing up, I was a fan of the first few Harry Potter books, but it was with this sixth book that I truly fell in love with the entire world J.K. Rowling created. As a child, I had to wait years between each book's release, but when Half-Blood Prince came out, I was old enough to understand the deeper themes and the complex emotions behind the characters. It felt like I finally "grew up" with the story.

The themes of love, loss, and the complexities of good versus evil really resonated with me, and this book's darker tone made me realize that Harry Potter was no longer just a children's series—it was something far bigger, something I could relate to on a much deeper level as a teenager. I devoured the book in no time, and it left me captivated. I've re-read it at least four times, and every time I discover something new.

It was also during this time that my obsession with the Harry Potter world truly began. I went to the cinema at least three times for each of the films. I bought wands, a chess set, a Time-Turner necklace, and more—anything that would bring me closer to Hogwarts. The world Rowling built became my second home, and I couldn't get enough of it. Even though I wasn't always a passionate reader growing up, these books made me binge-read like never before. They weren't just books to me—they were a part of my identity. I'll always cherish Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince as my favourite book in the series, and it's a constant reminder of how magical reading can be when you find the right story.



Opal Playground



This week, we are asking for any donations of scooters. If you have any you are no longer using, please bring them to the office. Thank you for your continued support.

Skills Builder Weekly Challenge



Skills Challenges

[See all Skills Challenges](#)

Write a letter to your future self about one or two goals you want to achieve in the next six months. Try to include what steps you will take to achieve these goals and how you think you will feel when you succeed.

Reflection Questions

Getting Started: How do you know if something is too difficult for you?

Intermediate: Why is it important to be willing to take on new challenges?

Advanced: What resources might you need to achieve your goals?

Mastery: What steps do you need to put in place to make your goals happen?


 Aiming High

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 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](#)

School Calendar

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



A decorative calendar for the month of January. The title 'January' is written in a cursive font at the top left. A small globe icon is at the top right. The calendar grid shows days from Sunday to Saturday. Key events are noted: 'Back to School' on Tuesday 7th, 'School Uniform Recalling' on Thursday 16th, 'Havana (Y1) Class Assembly' on Friday 24th, and 'Birthday Bash' on Friday 31st.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Back to School	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 School Uniform Recalling	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Havana (Y1) Class Assembly	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Birthday Bash	

Attendance - this week

Best Attendance this week	
1st	Tripoli
2nd	Ottawa and Seoul

Best Punctuality this week	
1st	Washington
2nd	Oslo

Well done to these classes!

Useful Dates this term

Spring Term 2025	
Friday 24th January	Havana (Y1) Class Assembly
Friday 31st January	Birthday Bash
Monday 10th February	La Paz - Year 2, Class Trip
Tuesday 11th February	Lima - Year 2, Class Trip

Tuesday 11th February	School Uniform Recycling
Friday 14th February	Tripoli (Y5) Class Assembly
Friday 14th February	Opal Playground - Parent Workshop

Term Dates - 2024-2025

Spring Term 2025	
Tuesday 7th January 2025	Children back
Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February	Half Term
Friday 4th April from 1.30pm	End of Term

Summer Term 2025	
Tuesday 22nd April 2025	Children back
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May	Half Term
Friday 18th July finish @1.30pm	End of Term