



Wormholt News

Friday 14th February

Head's Chat



Dear Families,

Well - that was the most fun morning ever! Thank you so much to all the parents who came and played today. I must say, I became quite emotional seeing you all playing alongside your children! We had parents dancing (with some very impressive moves!), others rolling tyres around, building dens, travelling along an assault course, being arty in the art room, getting muddy in the mud kitchen and much more. As a school, we are incredibly passionate about Opal and we are so happy that you have now experienced it too. We had so many wonderful comments from parents while you were playing - thank you. Nicola, the Opal mentor who ran the workshop, was overwhelmed by the progress we have made and was really impressed with the range of different activities we offer! We have decided that it was such a success, we will run more sessions like this throughout the school year, so if you missed out this time, don't worry!

I hope you all have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 24th!



Mrs Hargie

Headteacher



Year 2 Trip to the Tower of London

This week Year 2 went to the Tower of London. We had to climb up lots of narrow, spiral stairs to get to the battlements. When we made it to the top we could almost see everything! Next we saw the crown jewels. When the light shone on them they sparkled brightly. We never saw anything like it! It was fabulous! We met a beefeater and took a photo with him and he told us all of the ravens names. Then we met a real knight. His name was Sir John. He taught us how to be a knight by serving the King and using a sword. He also showed us a dance he did in the olden days and it was really fun. My favourite part was when we rode our horses around the tower.

We saw the king's bedroom. Above the bed hung curtains with amazing patterns on them. After that we went to the White Tower. They kept lots of armour in there and we even saw the Kings toilet! Finally we played some games and then it was time to go. We loved it at the Tower of London and hope to go back again one day!

Written by Primrose & Aleya.





Following on from their trip, a few Year 2s made this throne out of large loose parts in the playground.

These two Year 2s made a castle with a moat while playing with sand in our playground!

It's wonderful to see how much a school trip can inspire children's learning and playing!



Half Term Activities in H&F

Join Hammersmith & Fulham for their FREE holiday activities and food for children and young people who live in the borough. H&F's Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) offers a wide range of **FREE** activities across the borough, ensuring that every young person receives a nutritious meal. Funded by the Department for Education, the HAF programme is designed to support families who receive benefits-related free school meals during school holidays. The programme offers a variety of free engaging activities and nutritious meals for children and young people across H&F. Your child will qualify for the HAF programme if all these statements apply to you:

- your child or children are eligible for benefit related free school meals (FSM)
- you live in Hammersmith & Fulham
- your child or children are aged between 5 and 16 years.

All activities aim to be inclusive and providers can adapt to meet additional needs if their risk assessment allows. Please contact individual providers for more information.

Not eligible? Even if you don't meet the criteria, we have a number of spaces available for those not in receipt of benefit-related FSM. February half-term activities run from **Monday 17 to Friday 21 February 2025**.

[Click Here](#) to book your place. Further information can be found [here](#).

Rights Respecting - Article of the Week

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

Article 13: (freedom of expression)

Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information if it is within the law.

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/>





We now have 96% of parents signed up to Arbor!

Can we get to 100%?

IMPORTANT! Today - the weekly newsletter will be sent via Arbor and our old provider.

After half term, ALL COMMUNICATION will only be sent via Arbor. Don't miss out on vital information - please sign up today!

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!' 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.

Mayor's Cup: A Wet and Windy day for the Wormholt Wanderers

What a game from both teams last Friday! On a soaking, dreary day in February the girls' team held strong to a 0-0 draw. Evie unleashed a beautiful strike at the end of the first half but it was saved by Ark White City's keeper. The girls were deadlocked the whole game with three more shots from Aisha, Evie and Lexi that were almost on target in the second half. Well Done girls.

The boys were on another level today. The symphony of passes was almost Mozart-like. It was wonderful to behold. The link up play was solid. The brick wall defense of Sultan and Ilyas was impenetrable and our whole team was hungry for a win today. The boys won 1-0 with a strategically placed shot from Abed that found its way through the keepers' legs and into the back of the net. With another assist in the back from K'Shon, the boys were hungry for a second. Our second (disallowed) goal came towards the end of the second half. K'Shon chased a wayward pass from a team right on the edge of the pitch and placed a low cross into the mixer where Ilyas (Year 5) blasted the ball straight into the back of the net. Unfortunately, the ball was out of play from before the cross. With an amazing display of sportsmanship, K'Shon admitted to this and the goal was stripped. A well-deserved 1-0 victory for the boys regardless.



Our Woman of the Match goes to Evie for hunting every single ball down and almost securing the girls their first win.

Our Man of the Match goes to Abed for a beautiful goal!

Mr C

Opal Playground

This week, we are asking for any donations of toys, dolls and doll's prams. If you have any, please bring them to the office. Thank you for your continued support.



Our Nursery- We still have spaces!!



If your child is 2 years old, please pop into the office and register them for Nursery. **Most of our children start as soon as they are 3!**

If your child is already 3 - please speak to Kim and we can get them started asap!

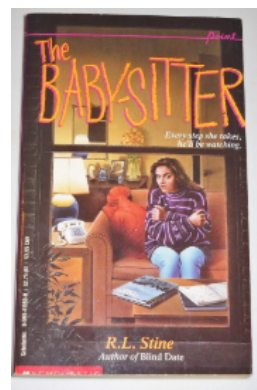
We can offer part-time places or full-time if you have the 30 hour code. We would be very happy to show you around if you'd like. **Please tell any local families about our nursery and our school too, as we have spaces at the moment.**

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 Takeram our Year 5 teacher.

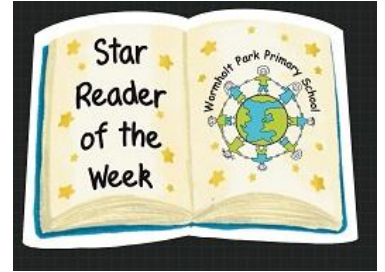
Book Review: The Babysitter written by R.L.Stine (Point horror collection)

I vividly remember being in Year 6 and my teacher reading a book called 'The Babysitter' written by an author called R.L.Stine. It was part of a collection of books called the Point Horror books. I was so interested that I went and bought the book so that I could read ahead of my teacher and find out what happened! Reading this book inspired me to continue to buy from the collection and I spent much of my time in Year 6 reading these books. They each had different storylines and some different authors but were a great read-a little scary with great twists and turns! I would recommend this collection of books to anyone and if you are going to read them then please start with the book 'The Babysitter!' These are aimed at readers from 10 years old



Reader of the Week

This week, the Star Readers of the Week are from Ottawa (Reception) and Aliya from Washington Class (Y3). Well Done both of you!



Skills Builder Weekly Challenge

You have been asked to invent a new sport. Write down the rules of the sport, any equipment that you need to play and how many players you need.

Reflection Questions

Getting Started: How can you share what you imagine?

Intermediate: How can you come up with lots of different ideas?

Advanced: How can you combine different ideas to create new ones?

Mastery: How can you help someone else to be creative?

💡 Creativity

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

February						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 School Uniform Recycling	12	13	14 Tripoli (PS) Class Assembly End of Term	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Back to school	25	26	27	28 Birthday Bash	

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

Attendance - this week



Please look at this chart .

The more time your child has off school, the less chance of success they have with their learning. Please only keep your child off school if they are genuinely unwell.

Best Attendance this week	
1st	Tripoli
2nd	La Paz

Best Punctuality this week	
1st	Santiago
2nd	Seoul

Well done to these classes!

Useful Dates this term

Spring Term 2025	
Monday 24th February	Back to school
Monday 25th February	Oslo - Reception, Class Trip
Tuesday 26th February	Ottawa - Reception, Class Trip
Friday 28th February	Birthday Bash
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day
Friday 7th March	La Paz (Y2) Class Assembly (10.25am)
Friday 28th March	Lima (Y2) Class Assembly (10.25am)
Friday 28th March	Birthday Bash
Monday 31st March	La Paz - Year 2, Class Trip
Tuesday 1st April	Lima - Year 2 , Class Trip

Term Dates - 2024-25

Spring Term 2025	
Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February	Half Term
Friday 4th April Finish @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