

# Warren Wood Primary School

### Reminder

Now that the school term is well underway, so is our new messaging provision of 'School Spider'. This is the next part of the app that we are using to message parents and carers. Our previous app, 'School Ping' was only ever read by 1/3 of the school community, meaning that messages and communications were not always accessed. The use of School Spider streamlines the use of apps on your device as, eventually, School Spider will hold all of our school communications. We know that the changeover to new platforms can cause people to feel unsure. However, messaging services are only as effective as the people using them and therefore we hope that you can support us in being proactive in downloading the app and reading the messages. With all technology comes some occasional glitches, but our office staff are very helpful at ironing these things out for you so please do persevere and together, we will get there. Many thanks for your ongoing support.





Newsletter – September 29<sup>th</sup> 2023

#### This Week...



Another week, another QR code! This time for the Macmillan Coffee Morning we held on Friday 29th September. Another very well attended event – thank you to those of you who were able to attend. Thank you also to those of you who donated or made cakes. Without these donations, we would not have been able to host the event. Some of our wonderful PTA and Y6 children hosted the morning for us so a huge thank you to them for their much appreciated help. On the morning itself, we raised £317 for the charity. For those of you who are able to or would still like to donate, please scan the QR code above and that will take you directly to our school donation page. Many thanks for your



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#### A Message from the Headteacher

## October incoming...

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We are already half way through the first half term and October is on the way. After a lovely settled start, I think it is fair to say that we are now experiencing some challenges throughout school. Two years on from the pandemic, some children are still struggling with their emotions and behaviour in a whole school setting. Some children want quiet surroundings whereas some find it difficult to contain their emotions and regulate. This has been an area that we have worked hard to support since we returned to school. If your child is one who struggles in anyway, please know we will continue to support them to the best of our capabilities. If your child has coped well and adapted accordingly, they may still see some of their friends not coping and behaving in a way that is not usual for them. We are all constantly adapting and staff are consistently putting things in place to keep children learning, understanding one another, showing tolerance and respect. Your support in this is enormously important. In working closely, home and school can be mutually supportive to each other. Where boundaries are tested, knowing that we each support the other gives a clear and consistent message that we want the best for our children and we will work together to expect the best of them too. We are committed to preparing our Woodies children to be fabulous members of society and it starts with being kind, caring and understanding human beings.

In terms of curriculum, it has been another busy week all round.

Nursery pupils have been labelling EVERYTHING! They read a book called 'Dangerous' about a mole who labels a crocodile!

Reception pupils have been talking about families, drawing and labelling their families and counting members of their family too.

Year 1 pupils have been counting one more and one less in Maths and in Forest Schools, they have been hunting for worms and bugs!

Year 2 pupils have been working hard in Maths on place value.

Year 3 pupils have been paleontologists carefully discovering 'fossil remains' in a chocolate chip cookie. Ask your child to explain this to you – it will be interesting to see what they say!

Year 4 pupils have performed the poem 'The Minotaur' as a class. They have also been learning words and songs for the harvest assembly.

In Year 5, pupils used information from their visitor who spoke about Africa to help them write a non-chronological report about Africa.

In Science, Year 6 pupils have been making things change direction and disappear using only water.

All of the above made for a busy week not to mention the visit of three birds of prey! It was a real spectacle and something completely different for our children and staff to experience.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Reyes

**Boo the Badger** 



Each Monday in assembly, our school mascot, 'Boo the Badger' visits two classes in school – one infant and one junior and stays for the week in their classrooms. He is presented for good attendance, good behavior and good attitudes to learning. This week, Boo has gone to stay with:

Year 2 – Mrs Byers Year 5 – Mrs. Collins

His message is 'Miss school, Miss out' – We love having you here and so does Boo!



#### **Upcoming Diary Dates**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>/Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Individual Photos – Whole School Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Bag 2 School Collection - (See separate letter on School Spider) Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Whole School – World Mental Health Day – Wear Green and/or Blue Wednesday 11th October – Y3 and Y4 – Harvest Celebration – Hall – 9:15am-10:00am Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – PTA AGM – All welcome – School Hall 6pm-7pm Week commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening Appointments

Further detailed information will be sent via School Spider nearer to the time of each event.