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## January 2017

## WELCOME BACK

Wishing you all a very happy New Year! Hopefully, you all had a restful and joyful Christmas. It is lovely to be back in our community.



HALF TERM Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 17th February

Children return to school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February

The children have settled very well and are enjoying their learning.

BAD WEATHER PROCEDURES We had our first sprinkling of snow last week so here is a reminder of our weather procedures. Information will be sent by text message and updates will be added to the Wormley APP and the

Wormley Facebook page.



BBC Three Counties Radio (95.4FM) will also broadcast any school closures.

As always, safety comes first and the roads can be treacherous during bad weather, so only travel if it is safe to do so.

The best way to contact the school if you are concerned is via telephone or email: admin@wormley.herts.sch.uk. We will try and respond as quickly as we can.

### READING CHALLENGE TERM

Spring is our reading challenge term.

Children and families are encouraged to stretch themselves with reading over the next few weeks.

The aim is for every child to read daily, from a range of sources: books,

newspapers, magazines, the internet etc.

Children will be rewarded with raffle tickets and there will be a weekly draw. Children can win a limited edition Wormley Reader Bear or magazines and books.





We are also seeking photos of extreme reading - as in this photo - reading anytime any place (as long as children are safe!)

At the end of term, one family in each phase will receive family tickets to the cinema.

This is a family challenge! The greater number of tickets, the greater possibility of becoming a winner!!

Don't forget to record reading together in the children's reading records as these are vital as evidence in assessing children's reading to see if they read widely and with commitment to a book.

#### ENRICHMENT DAY

The learning attribute we have selected for the next enrichment day is: *Recognising and making healthy choices*.

The focus will be on having a healthy mind. On **Friday 20th January**, there will be a feeling good day in school. This is to raise awareness of mental health and the importance of keeping young minds healthy and happy.



During the day we will be introducing strategies to help children keep their young minds happy/healthy, such as good food and a balanced diet, exercise, fresh air, relaxation, meeting friends, recognising feelings and anxieties etc.

More information can be found at www.youngminds.org.uk



One activity will be to encourage each child to recognise something they like about themselves or that someone else likes about them. The symbol of a superhero or a gingerbread man will be used for this.

In addition, they can take part in some practical activities based on the ideas above to keep them feeling good and mentally healthy eg. cooking, taking a walk, exercise, relaxation, mindfulness, yoga. The children will be involved in deciding some activities that help them to feel good.

#### CHANGES TO TELEPHONE NUMBERS. OUTDOOR PLAY ADDRESSES, EMAIL? The weather has been very cold recently and since Did Santa bring you a new telephone? Have you all of the children concentrate extremely hard in changed your internet provider and have a new lessons, at break times they will go outside to email address or have you moved house? play, except in very bad weather. Please ensure Please remember to update your details with that your child has a raincoat or waterproof the school office. We need to be able to jacket, clearly labelled, in school each day. contact you in the event of an accident, emergency or school closure due to bad Children in YN and YR spend 50 per cent of their time outside so would benefit from having their weather. Please help us to help you! Thank you. wellies in school each day too. BOOSTER CLUB Don't let this be you... We are starting Booster Club for some of our Y6 pupils after



We are starting Booster Club for some of our Y6 pupils after school. All of our teachers have offered to help children with any gaps in learning.

If your child has an invitation to come to the club please ensure they attend. Extra revision before the SATs and transition to Secondary School is a real bonus!

# OUR VALUE THIS MONTH IS COMMITMENT A commitment to truth and God. A commitment to change, learning and perseverence even when things are difficult. Image: Commit to commit

#### Commitment:

Either you do or you don't, there is no in-between.

#### BEING A REFLECTIVE LEARNER - NOTICE AND NARRATE

A focus this year has been upon developing the children as reflective learners. The children benefit from understanding how they learn, what skills and knowledge they have and how they might develop further.

The strategy is to Notice and Narrate their learning.

First, Notice. The children need to pause, look carefully, think deeply, make





Next, Narrate. They reflect and talk through how they learned.

We think about surface learning - as a Snorkler

connections and notice their learning.

and deep learning as a Diver

Ask the children to tell you more... but the deeper you go, the more you learn...



CURRICULUM TOPICS - History, Geography	BRINGING CHILDREN TO SCHOOL EARLY
Science	
Topics this term:	Please be aware that children left in the
Y1 Don't Blame It On The Weatherman	playground are unsupervised until 8.45 am.
Y2 Germs, Bugs and Boils	The breakfast club was set up to support working
Y3 The adventures of Harry Potter	parents who need to bring children to school
Y4 What Did The Romans Do For Us?	before this time, but is open to anyone who would
Y5 Going Into Space	like to use this facility.
Y6 The Mountain Environment	Please put your name down on the waiting list for a
If you can contribute to any of these please le	t place if you would like to use this service
us know. Your expertise is always welcome.	
DANGER - PLEASE BE AWARE	
For those who purchased new mobiles for their children as Christmas presents, please be	
aware that if they are able to browse the web, then nothing via a phone is off limits.	
Please try to talk to your children/young people about the hidden dangers.	
More guidance and information from: www.parentlineplusorg.uk	
}JACKETS AND WELLIES	
I would like to invite all adult gardeners, friends and family	
to a Saturday morning	
'Jackets and Wellies' work party to launch our own	
gardening club and allotment.	
On: Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	
At: 10am to 2pm (LUNCH BETWEEN 12-1PM)	
Everyone is welcome to come and help. Please bring your own tools, (a	
fork, a spade, a trowel, gloves and anything else you can think of!) a	
waterproof coat and your enthusiasm!	
Stay for a jacket potato to reward your hard work.	
(Please leave your name and the number of people coming with you at the offices so that we have	
enough jacket potatoes to go round). I look forward to seeing you there Mrs Hutchings.	

### LATE BOOK



If you are late bringing your child (ren) to school (after 8.55 am) and the bell has gone and their class line has gone into school, please come to the school office and sign the late book. Your child will then be taken to class.

#### Please do not leave children unattended in the playground or by the classroom door.

Parents are reminded that if your child is absent you should ring the school office before 9:30 Please let the office know if you are going to be late to pick up your child, since staff often attend meetings and training sessions after school and we must ensure the safety of your children.

#### DRUG AWARENESS WORKSHOP for PARENTS/GUARDIANS

As a school we are committed to providing our pupils with opportunities to learn the skills they need for a happy, healthy life. This includes essential drug and alcohol education, which is age appropriate and part of the National Curriculum. Whilst this is important, a consistent approach from home and school is invaluable. That is why we would like to invite all parents and guardians to a Parental Drug Awareness Workshop on Wednesday 1st February between 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm to be held in KS1 hall.

This will be led by Vanessa Rogers, a former Hertfordshire County Council Schools Drug Education Consultant now acclaimed UK PSHE specialist.

The workshop will provide:

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- Practical, up to date information about alcohol, cannabis, cocaine and Psychoactive Substances and associated risks of substance misuse
- Useful tips on how to talk about this sensitive subject at home •
- Details of where to go to for additional information and support •
  - A question and answer session for parents to learn more To book your place please contact the admin staff in the reception office or email

senco@wormley.herts.sch.uk FAO Mrs Gilpin

If there are less than 10 people booking places, the workshop will be cancelled.

BROXBOURNE FOODBANK BINGO NIGHT

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017 Doors open at 7pm, first game 7.30pm

Halsey Masonic Hall, Walnut Tree House, Turners Hill, Cheshunt EN8 8NJ Tickets £10



This includes first game book and refreshments.

There is a bar at the venue.

Fantastic raffle.

Additional gamebooks will be available on the night. To book tickets please contact: Carole 01707 879773

Don't miss the chance of missing out on an evening of fun and laughter - book your tickets ASAP

#### MY FAMILY & ME

Starting Friday 20th January 2017

This is a new programme for mums, dads and carers to learn about Protective Behaviours (PBs). It's

practical and useful for everyone .....

\* Building confidence and self-esteem

\* Life skills to use in everyday situations and the challenging ones

\* Talking with each other and asking for help when needed

To book your place please contact Stort Valley & Villages Children's Centre Group Tel: 01279 696853



Participation in girl's football is on the rise and our development centres will help to encourage girls to learn, think and play in a girls-only environment. The recent success of the England Women's teams has become a huge influence in giving players the confidence to take part.

We have launched two Girls-Only development centre for 5-11 year olds and a Girls-Only Soccer School for U5s-U14s. Our girls-only development centres are designed to engage girls of all abilities to participate and develop in football.

All new players start with a **FREE TRIAL SESSION** before committing to a full course. This will give players the opportunity to meet our friendly and enthusiastic coaches and try our training sessions first. We run our sessions in a fun, friendly and safe environment by FA and UEFA Licensed coaches who have the necessary DBS checks and Child Safeguarding certificates to work with players under the age of 18 years old.

For more information, contact: INFO@BOWSSOCCER.CO.UK or ring 07946042817