News on the Nineteenth

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HARVEST FESTIVAL THANK YOU

On **Tuesday 26th September** we held two Early Years harvest services in school led by Rev. Quant. Parents joined us for story of Moses and songs by the children.

We have received a card from the Broxbourne with Wormley Parish churches thanking you for your generous harvest gifts.

Much of the food has gone to the Broxbourne Foodbank and will go

to local families who need some help at this time.

KS1 and KS2 children led Harvest Festival at St Augustine's Church on

Thursday 28th September, with a presentation about the Bishop of St. Albans Harvest Appeal
Full of Beans. The appeal is supporting the development of community projects which transform

the lives of people in remote rural villages of the Philippines. In the Tinglayan mountain district, they
have discovered their soil is perfect for growing high quality beans.





Helen (pictured) now enjoys a generous harvest of beans, sufficient for her family to eat well, with more to sell at market. Consequently, her family's life has improved significantly, they are able to buy basic house-hold items such as salt, sugar and soap. Her children also now have the required educational resources for their schooling. They look forward to a much brighter future.

With your support to this year's Harvest Appeal, 'Full of Beans', we hope that many more families can experience this transformational change, become self-reliant, filled with dignity and hopeful for their future.

Thank you for donations to 'Full of Beans'.

The service included songs, stories and prayers and the children took up their gifts to the altar. The prayers were for our many blessings. Thank you for your generosity.

MESSY CHURCH

Dates for Messy Church: 17th October, 14th November, 5th December straight after school (3:15-5:15), the KS2 hall

FREE FOR EVERYONE

Messy Church is a way of 'being church' for families, involving lots of fun! It starts with a time of crafts, games, sports and other activities to try out for both children and their parents & carers. We then enjoy singing some songs and explore together Jesus' love for us through an interactive Bible story. To top it all off we finish with a wonderful meal together.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING



It was wonderful to see so many families attend Parent Consultation Evening last week. We hope you enjoyed learning more about how your child has settled, their achievements and their areas to develop.

Our aim is to develop the children as life-long learners and give them a language to talk about themselves as learners in a mature way.

Positive Home School Partnerships make a *HUGE* difference to a child's development and their progress.

To further support your children achieve their potential, please read with them every night- a range of books and magazines as well as school books - and discuss the stories and articles that interest them; encourage them to practise their handwriting for five minutes a day; help them to learn

handwriting for five minutes a day; help them to learn their multiplication tables in fun ways with songs and poems; teach them to tell the time and dedicate a little amount of time each day to talk to them about their



learning, their strengths and what they want to improve.

We thank you for your continued support

MOBILE PHONES

Pupils are not permitted to have mobile phones in school. Any year 6 pupils, who are walking to or from school without an adult, can bring a phone into school, however it must be handed into the office for safe-keeping at the start of the day and collected again once school has finished. The phones should not be used on the school premises which includes the playground before and after school.



Any phones being mis-used will be confiscated.

TEA AND TOAST MORNING

Thank you to our parents who were able to attend our Tea and Toast morning earlier this month. We appreciate your time and input into how the school can improve.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 29th November at 9am.

You highlighted a number of things we do very well such as how well we know the children; how children are given opportunities to lead and take responsibility; and Forest School Education.

There were three key areas identified for improvement:

Friends of Wormley: Some parents have expressed an interest in joining a PTA committee to raise funds for the school (more details on the newsletter - 9th November).

Security gates: The governing body undertake an annual risk assessment to ensure that the level of security of our premises keeps pupils safe. A request for electric gates was investigated but costs

would be in excess of £20,000 and the school has no funds for this at present.

Communication: There are a number of ways you can keep in touch with what is happening at school - these are detailed below.

If you ever need to talk in depth with your class teacher about your child, please contact the school and the teacher will phone you back or make an appointment to meet.



BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB PROVISION (from after October half term)

In response to requests from our families, we will be offering some additional provision for children *outside of* school hours. Prices have risen for the first time since 2008, due to rising costs for the provision.

There will be 2 Breakfast Clubs: One for children in Nursery, Reception and Y1 and one for children in Y2-Y6.

BREAKFAST CLUBS		
YN-Y1 led by Mrs Jeffrey	Y2 -Y6 led by Mrs Baird	
Session time: 7:30 - 8:50	Session time: 7:30 - 8:50	
Cost: £4.50	Cost: £4.50	
Session time: 7:45 - 8:50	Session time: 7:45 - 8:50	
Cost: £4.00	Cost: £4.00	
Location: New Pre-school building	Location: Community Classroom	

There will be 2 After School Clubs: One for children in Nursery, Reception and Y1 and one for children in Y2-6.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS		
YN-Y1 (Tadpoles) led by Mrs Jeffrey	Y2 - Y6 (Toads) led by Mrs Baird	Y2-Y6 (Frogs) led by Mrs Baird
Session time: 3:15 - 4:30	Session time: 3:15 - 4:30	Session time: 3:15 - 6:00
Cost: £5	Cost: £5	Cost: £12
Session time: 3:15 - 6:00		
Cost: £12		
Location: Nursery	Location: Previous Pre-school building	Location: Community Classroom

There is a 5% discount for siblings.

Please note:

- Once you have been allocated a place in a Breakfast Club or After School Club, you will need to
 give one calendar month notice to terminate this allocation. You will be charged if you do not
 give such notice.
- There is a late collection charge £5 per 15 minutes after 6pm.

You can request a form from the office or download one from the website to send in.

OUR VALUE OF THE MONTH IS RESPONSIBILITY



We are considering how we have responsibility for ourselves, others and the world in which we live.

"For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. So then each of us will give an account of himself to God."

Romans 14:10, 12

REMEMBRANCE POPPIES

Poppies will soon be on sale at school.

School Remembrance
Service will be on Friday
10th November.

Our beautiful cross of clay poppies, made by Y3and Y4 will be on display at

The Old Pond for the Remembrance Parade on Sunday 12th November.



LIGHT PARTY!

Celebrating Light! Celebrating Life!

On Tuesday 31st October at St Augustine's Church 5:30 - 7:00 5:30 - 8:30 **YR - Y5** У6

Come in fancy dress or party dress Tickets cost £2

Contact Abi on 07985234670 abigaileast@broxbournewithwormley.org.uk or Ara on 07494285541 aracelimoya@broxbournewithwormley.org.uk



The Year 1 team are in desperate need of some equipment and skills that you may be able to offer. Some of you may be aware from September Year 1 have continued the child initiated learning approach from reception. The children are really benefitting from this but we have big plans of developing the indoor and outdoor area further. If you or someone you know could help us with sourcing the following we would be very grateful:

- Wooden pallets for a mud kitchen and bug hotel.
- Sports equipment
- Two wheeled bikes and helmets
- Small world toys (e.g. small animals, dinosaurs, people, dolls house, garage)
- Someone with a van or trailer to transport branches from the woods for den building.
- Someone with skills and time to help us construct a mud kitchen with the pallets.



Many thanks The Year 1 Team

REMINDER: APPLICATION FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL **PLACES**

Please make sure you have submitted an application for a secondary school place by Tuesday 31st October 2017

Follow the link:

https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/serv ices/schools-and-education/schooladmissions/secondary-and-upperschools/secondary-and-upper-schoolplaces.aspx

To be safe and healthy

ENRICHMENT DAY - LIVING HISTORY

On Friday 20th October you invited you to visit our class

museums and find out about the children's history enquiries this term.

Who was responsible for the Great Fire of London?

Vikings: traders or invaders?

The children will set up the classroom just like a museum gallery and have lots of activities for

You can visit your child's museum or browse several eras of history throughout the school.

Opening times are between 9:15 - 10:15.

To be respected



WORMLEY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL COFE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES POLICY

We have recently reviewed Class Charters in line with our Rights and Responsibilities Policy.

There are 4 rights:

To learn and achieve These rights are in line with the rights of UNICEF.

For each right, the children have identified 4 responsibilities. These are on display in the classrooms, corridors and playgrounds, and the children are held accountable to them.

A copy of the policy is published on the website.





WOW MOMENTS AND GREAT HOME LEARNING

Archie came to show his story which he did independently over 4 days. It started with a story map.

This shows great commitment and perseverence. Well done Archie!

Lots of amazing home learning across the school too....









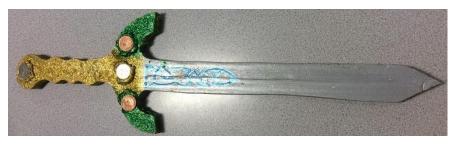














Thank you for supporting your children with their learning at home.

INTER-HOUSE FOOTBALL AND NETBALL TOURNAMENTS

Inter-house tournaments will take place during the week beginning 6th November. This will involve all children as long as their kits are in school (as



kits are in school (as they should be).



INTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL AND NETBALL GAMES

On **Thursday 2nd November** Wormley Primary will play against Broxbourne Primary in a netball game and a football game here at Wormley.

Why not stay to support?



EXCITING HOUSE NEWS!

We are keen to revamp and develop our existing school house system. This will not only be for sport, but for effort across the whole school curriculum. We need your help...

In order to get this up and running, we would like to choose new names for our four houses and would love to hear your ideas. There will be a box located in the reception area for you to submit your suggestions. We will then vote, as a school, on the new names for our houses.

Remember, they do not need to be sport related. Be as creative as you wish!

Closing Date: Wednesday 1st November

Year 6 House Captains!

Once our exciting new house system has been launched, we will need eight reliable, hard-working, enthusiastic role models from Year 6 to captain our houses.

Do you think this could be you? If so, please write a letter of application to Mrs Gaiteri. State why you would be good for the role, any ideas you have, and what skills you would like to develop as a house captain.

Closing Date: Wednesday 1st November

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION - FRIENDS OF WORMLEY SCHOOL - WE NEED YOU!

We are holding a meeting for any parents wishing to join our parent teacher association known as Friends of Wormley School (FOWS)

on Thursday 9th November at 9 am.

Please come along with any ideas for social events and fund raising W





We would like to purchase a *yurt* - an outdoor learning space for Forest School sessions and outdoor learning.

Approx. cost: £8,000 and some additional climbing equipment for the field.



Please come along with suggestions for ways to improve the learning environment and events.

With tight budgets, we are relying on your fund raising......





CHILDREN IN NEED DAY

Friday 17th November

Wear your pyjamas to school for a donation of £1 for Children in Need

RETURN TO SCHOOL

The first day after half term in an INSET DAY
Children return to school on
Tuesday 31st October

HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

The HABS Family Support Team - Autumn 2017 Activities for Children Aged 4-12
In the Community Room, at WORMLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL Cozens Lane East, Broxbourne EN10 6QA

Last chance to book places for the clubs below:

MULTI SPORTS (ages 4-12) - This has been a very successful holiday club for us over the last couple of school breaks with all children saying how much they enjoyed it. They are able to try new sports (depending on day they sign up for) which they might not necessarily have tried before like archery. Britain's Got Talent and Sports Talent competitions each day.

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October 2017, 9am-3:30pm Cost of £14.95 per child per session.

ARTS AND CRAFT – The children will be able to take part in a range of art and craft activities such as: weaving, salt dough, clay, painting, pop up cards, stained glass windows

Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th October 2017 9am-3:30pm Cost of £14.95 per child per session.

COOKING - The children will get the opportunity to make a range of sweet and savoury recipes and develop a range of cooking skills, including flap jacks, jam tarts, cheese twists, home-made pizzas

Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th October 2017 9am-3:30pm Cost of £14.95 per child per session.

DANCE CLUB AND FOREST SCHOOL will continue in February half term

For further information please contact Layla Morley (HABS Administrator) on 01992 303331 Opt 5 or Imorley@wormley.herts.sch.uk

Please note that until we receive payment and a completed booking/consent form, places cannot be reserved.



MELODY MONKEYS

Melody Monkeys and SPACE are teaming up to put on preschool (0-5) activity sessions for children with additional needs...

to include music, lights, sensory activities, movement, parachute

activities, bubbles, instrument play, action songs, singing, puppets, dancing and more!

Along with this there will be an opportunity for parent/carers to have a coffee & chat whilst the children enjoy juice and a snack.

The sessions will run weekly from Monday 6th November between 12.45pm and 2.15pm until Monday 4th December (a five week block session) at Andrews Lane School (in the Rose Lodge building),

Andrews Lane, Cheshunt, EN7 6LB.

We have 12 places available and ideally would like people to sign up for the five weeks. Parent/carers would need to stay at the sessions and as always children remain the responsibility of parent/carers at all times.

The sessions will be supported and funded by SPACE and run by Sally Page, the owner of Melody Monkeys, Sally is DBS checked and has full insurance.

To find out more or to sign up, please contact Sally on 07904 109259, email info@melodymonkeys.com or visit the SPACE Facebook page

NURSERY RECEPTION TOURS

If you are looking for a place in Wormley Primary School's Nursery or Reception, there will be tours:

Thursday 19th October, Tuesday 14th November, Wednesday 13th December

For more details contact admin@wormley.herts.sch.uk

SEND PARENT VOICE

What is DSPL4?

Have your say

What could be improved for your child?

What does your child need?

Thursday 30th November 9.30 -11.30 St Joseph's RC School, Royal Avenue, Waltham Cross, EN8 7EN

or

Thursday 23rd November 9.30 -11.30

Rose Lodge, Andrews Lane School, Andrews Lane, Cheshunt, EN7 6LB

Places will be limited so please contact Claire on do.dspl4@forres.herts.sch.uk or 07590 839430 to reserve your place.

SLEEP SEMINAR

Does your additional needs child struggle with sleep?

Difficulties going to sleep

Difficulties staying asleep

Waking at night

Come along to our free sleep seminar and learn about:

Good sleep practise How much sleep your child should be getting

Strategies to help your child sleep

Thursday 18th January 2018, 10:00 - 12:30
Wormley Primary School, Cozens Lane, Broxbourne, Herts EN10 6QA



To book, contact Claire on do.dspl4@forres.herts.sch.uk or call 07590 839430

WHAT IS HAPPENING TO FINE MOTOR DEVELOPMENT/HANDWRITING?

Many children are lacking the basic fine motor skills needed to hold a pencil and write. This lack of dexterity in their fingers and hands can be attributed to the *increased use* of touch screen technology and *decreased use* of crayons, paints, pencils, scissors, clay, and other manipulatives in their daily lives.

Along with social-emotional skills and curiosity, fine motor skills are among the priority readiness skills for school. If children arrive at school lacking the finger strength necessary to hold a pencil, they will struggle to master other requirements. This is a huge problem because today's schooling demands so much more writing than ten years ago.

This problem cannot be remedied over-night. Like large motor skills, fine motor skills develop gradually over time with much practice and repetition. Fine motor development starts with grasping objects (a rattle/a toy), holding a bottle, picking up food to eat, manipulating a spoon, using hands for purposeful reasons like block building and play dough, buttoning and zippering, using art tools to draw and write, and only then using a pencil or pen to write a name or copy words. If the sequence is disturbed along the way, the



child will not develop as s/he should. We are seeing this with fine motor development in today's five-year-olds who, from infancy, are spending too much time "swiping and tapping" on screens and not playing with a large range of manipulatives.

Technology is not going away, but it is up to adults to limit its use and ensure that young children have normal childhood play experiences.

The classic materials of childhood are time-tested to provide practice in fine-motor skills, strengthening all the little hand muscles. Adults should ensure that children have access to these materials both at home and at nursery:

- crayons, markers, chalk, paints, pencils, scissors
- blocks, Lego, other manipulatives
- dolls and stuffed animals for dressing and undressing
- play dough, finger paint, clay, mud

At-home activities for building fine motor skills

Try incorporating these activities into the daily routine with your child:

Kitchen projects: Making home-made play dough strengthens muscles in the hands and fingers. Roll snakes and balls of all sizes; build with the balls and snakes. Your child can play with play dough at the counter or table while you make dinner.

Playing shops: Keep your canned goods on a bottom shelf. Allow your child to play shops - take out and rearrange the cans, sort by size, colour, or content. This is a maths readiness skill, too.

Setting the table: Sorting silverware into its proper holder is a maths skill; as is the patterning your child will do by laying the knife, fork, and spoon in order at each place-setting.

Eating with chop sticks: This is a more advanced fine motor skill, but not impossible to teach.

Folding clothes: Start with folding washcloths or towels. Fold in half, then fold again to make a quarter.

Stringing things: Make bracelets and necklaces by threading pasta, breakfast loops, or beads onto pipe cleaners or thick strings. Add a pattern and you add maths!

Playing dress-ups: Putting on coats and gloves, zipping up, snapping, buttoning, and tying shoes all help with building fine motor strength. Dressing a doll or stuffed animals is just as good, too!

Practising with scissors: Start with safety scissors and a 10 cm strip of paper to snip, snip, snip with and make fringe. Later, draw a path on the paper to cut along. Make confetti by cutting little snips of various coloured, textured, and shiny wrapping paper. Cut pictures out of magazines and make a collage.

Colouring and drawing: Encourage creativity by providing a variety of art mediums.

If your child struggles with handwriting, all these activities will help them to improve their fine motor skills and their handwriting.

Taken from an article by Marcy Guddemi