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Dear Parents and Carers,

I received a pleasant surprise this week. We've had a letter of recognition from John Gregg (Director of Children's Services) for our Ofsted outcome and comments in the report.

It was very pleasing to receive the final report following the recent Ofsted inspection in which Werrington Primary School was judged to a Good school and was judged to be Good in every category.

We know that such a report is the outcome of a significant amount of dedication and hard work from the school community, including the careful oversight by your Trustees. Everyone can feel justifiably proud of what you have achieved and the good level of education you are providing to our young people.

We wish you all the best as you reflect on all the positive comments within the report and as you move on to the next stages in the school's work on your continuous improvement journey

Thank you to all children and parents for making Werrington Primary so special.

Best wishes

Mrs Simmons

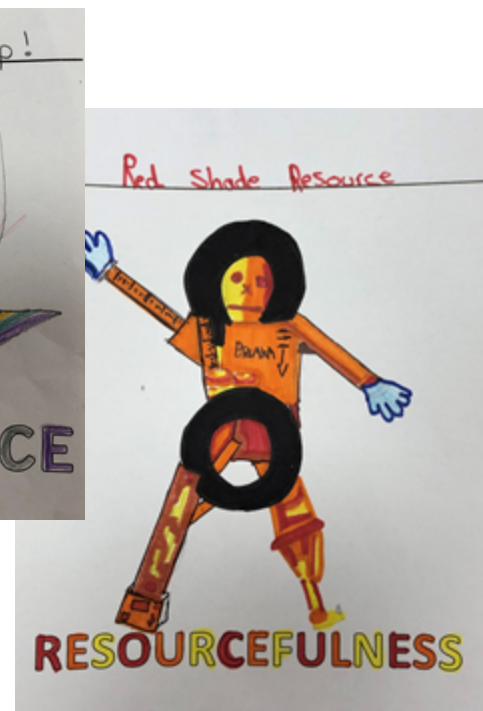
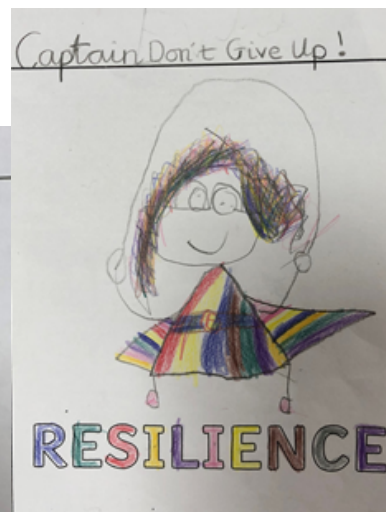
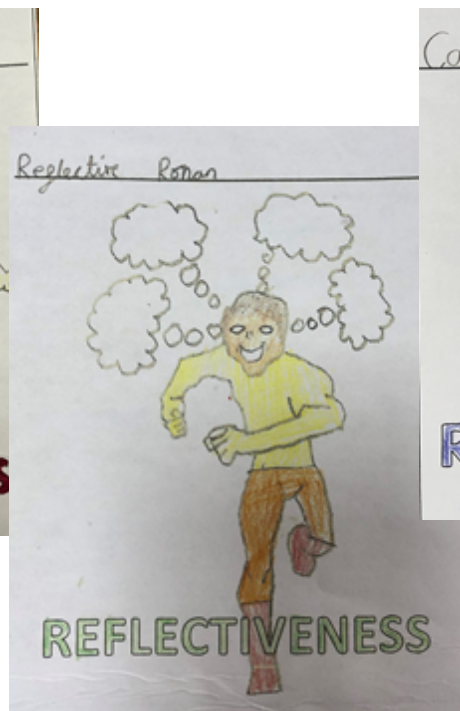
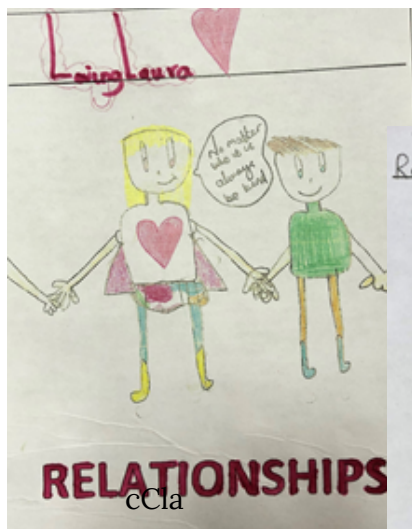
School Noticeboard

November 2024

w/c 11th	Anti Bullying week
12th	Yr 3 Flag Fen
13th	Yr 4 Sportshall athletics at AMVC
15th	Children In Need - Non Uniform Day
19th	Flu Vaccinations
22nd	Non uniform for PTA hamper donations
24th	Werrington Christmas light switch on
27th	Yr R and Yr 6 Heights and Weights
29th	Yr R NHS vision screening

Whole School Attendance for the Week

97%





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Stars of the Week

Van Gogh	Lenny	For wonderful progress with creating and correcting errors in ab repeating patterns. Well done, you are now ready for the challenge of more complex patterns.
Kandinsky	Saskia	For being a kind and helpful member of the class.
Donaldson	Maria	For always trying her best with all of our activities. Well done! This is wonderful to see.
Bond	Callie	For great history work about your favourite toy. You worked so hard on your sentences. Well Done!
Farriner	Eva	For super subtraction work in maths this week. You are beginning to challenge yourself. Well Done!
Cavell	Ava Q	For a fantastic attitude towards your learning. You always try your best and participate fully in all lessons. Well done!
Lovelace	Teddie	For fantastic mental maths skills and always challenging yourself. You are a maths superstar, well done!
Turing	Holly	For demonstrating superb resilience and a great growth mindset. You listen to instructions and feedback carefully and strive to do your best in every lesson.
Tesla	Archie	For being your best this week. You have put 100% effort into each lesson. Well done!
Newton	Jacob	For being hard working and trying his best. His enthusiasm is fantastic
Collins	Chantelle	For passing an amazing 35 book quizzes last half term, reading a range of text types - we love your enthusiasm for reading 😊
Jemison	Prabhkirat	For being a reading superstar, passing book quizzes and positive influence in class.
Hawking	Austin	For effective phrases and vocabulary choices in his remembrance poem.
Galileo	Bella	For being an excellent role model and always doing her best.



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Reception

This half term our first topic is Bears. We are starting with the book “We Are Going On A Bear Hunt.” We will be writing a list of things we need to take on a bear hunt, making story maps and acting out the story - wellies will definitely be needed!!

We will also focus on non-fiction information about bears and look at real life bears, facts, and bears in history.

Our final book based on bears will be “Goldilocks and The Three Bears”.

Our Christmas focused book is “Dear Santa”. We will be writing letters to Santa and walking to the post office to post these. We are looking forward to performing our Nativity play to all our families on **Tuesday 10th December at 2.15pm and Thursday 12th December at 2.15pm.**

In Maths we will be looking at 2D shapes including circles, triangles and shapes with 4 sides. The children will learn that 2D shapes are flat and will be using the vocabulary of straight, curved, sides and corners to describe their properties. We will be looking at weight and helping the post office sort parcels for Christmas delivery.

We will be starting to think about how numbers to 5 can be seen as a whole or split into parts.

In phonics we will be learning the sounds: e, u, r, h, b, f, l, ll, ff and ss and applying these in our reading and writing. Please continue to read at home 4 times a week.

Next week we will be acting out our ‘Going on a bear hunt story’ and going on our autumn walk. Please can the children have wellies with them **Tuesday and Friday.**



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Year 1

This half term our topic will be Celebrations and the children will learn about the Christmas story and complete a range of Christmas crafts.

In history the children will learn about toys from the Victorian times and will look at similarities and differences between toys now and then.

In science this half term our topic will be the seasons and the children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of practical activities and carry out some exciting experiments.

In English we will be looking at poetry, writing instructions and telling stories. The texts that we will be looking at are Bonfire Night poetry, "Look Up" by Nathan Bryon, "Alan's Scart teeth" by Jarvis and the Christmas story. We will be focusing on capital letters in sentences and full stops.

In maths, we will be learning to recognise and identify the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. Following on from this our topic will be place value to 20 and we will focus on counting and comparing sets of objects to 20.

Supporting Your Child at home

Please ensure that you read with your child at least four times a week and record a comment for each session in your child's reading record. We would like you to explore each book fully with your child, making sure that you ask plenty of questions to check for understanding.



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Year 2

We are very excited to start our Autumn 2 learning after a fantastic first half term in Year 2.

We will be finding out about the continents and oceans of the world during our Geography lessons. We will be using maps and globes to explore different parts of our planet. If you have any photographs of your children in various places around the world, please send these in so that we can add them to our classroom maps.

In Maths we continue to develop our addition and subtraction skills and how to apply these to solve problems.

Our Science is continuing on materials where we will conduct more experiments about how materials can change shape by bending, twisting, stretching and squashing.

In RE we are starting a unit about Islam. We will also be beginning a Food Technology topic all about food groups and where our food comes from.

We will continue to work on coding in Computing as well as using the chrome books to enhance our learning in other areas, such as TTRS and Spelling shed.

We are looking forward to the festive celebrations and are excited to see parents at our school concert where we will sing Christmas songs and retell the Christmas story (information and dates to follow). We also have a Gym and Dance Festival at AMVC on 4th December, this is during school hours and a letter will be sent out shortly with more details.

Spelling tests are now carried out on a Tuesday and new spellings are given out on the same day. Please continue to practice at home as this really helps the children learn all of the different spelling rules for Year 2. Thank you again for all of your support.



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Year 3

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It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school after the half term holiday. In this half-term, the children have lots of exciting learning opportunities to look forward to.

In maths, the children will be learning how to add and subtract numbers using the formal method. They will also be learning the 3 and 10 times tables.

In English, we will be using the story called 'The King Who Banned the Dark' as a stimulus for our writing. A key focus will be adding detail using coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

In science, we will be learning about forces and magnets, looking specifically at pushes and pulls, and magnetic materials.

In P.E., the children will be learning new skills in dance and yoga. Our PE days will continue to be on a Tuesday and Thursday.

In history we will be learning about changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Our trip to Flag Fen will support and enhance this learning.

In DT, we will be learning about healthy eating, and will be designing, making and evaluating healthy wraps. We will also be learning essential skills such as grating and cutting, to prepare our food.

For our French learning, we will be learning the numbers from 1 - 10 as well as colours.

In PSHE, the children will be learning about respecting themselves and others as well as the impacts of bullying.

Please send your child to school with a jumper and a coat every day, now that the weather is cooler. Please also remember to send a full water bottle in with them each day.

Please continue to support your at home with their reading, spellings and times tables.



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Year 4

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school after the half term break. In this half-term, the children have lots of wonderful learning opportunities to look forward to.

For the production, the children will be learning either their speaking lines or the songs. Year 4 are very excited to demonstrate their excellent acting and singing skills.

In maths, the children will be learning how to subtract numbers using the formal method. They will also be learning about mathematical area and the 9, 11 and 12 times tables.

In French, we will be learning all about objects that can be found in the classroom. The children will be learning how to pronounce these in French.

For music, we will be playing glockenspiels, whilst thinking about pulse and rhythm.

In geography, the children will be learning about map symbols and four figure grid references, while looking for treasure and cracking codes.

In English the children will be reading 'One Plastic Bag' and investigating Gambia and the uses of plastic.

For science we are learning about electricity, with lots of exciting opportunities for the children to have practical experiences.

Please send your child to school with a jumper and a coat every day, now that the weather is colder.

Please continue to support your child at home with their reading, spellings and times tables.



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Year 5

Welcome back to Year 5; it has been lovely to see the children return to school eager and ready to learn. We have lots of exciting things to cover this half term.

Reading comprehension continues to be an important focus for all the children; please help support your child by hearing them read regularly and questioning them on the pages that they have read.

Our other **English** lessons will be centred around Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. We will use this text to develop writing and different aspects of punctuation and grammar. We have asked the children to avoid reading ahead in the book or watching the film.....they will get the chance to in school as part of our film/book comparison at the end of the unit.

In **Maths**, we will be looking at how we can classify numbers in categories such as multiples, factors, square numbers and cube numbers. In addition to this, we will be beginning a large unit on fractions where we will add and subtract fractions with different denominators.

In **Science**, our new topic will focus on the forces around us. We will be investigating the effects of air and water resistance and friction and beginning to look at how some mechanisms work including looking at pulleys, levers and gears.

In **PSHE**, we will be looking at some important skills to do with money and how to keep it safe. Also, we will be thinking about Anti-Bullying Week 2024 and what it means to be respectful to others.

For **French**, our topic this half term will be looking at describing our home, including learning the French names for common household items. We will also look at animal names so we can consider our pets too.

We continue to learn about Europe in **Geography** and will focus on the counties of the UK. We will look in depth at the counties of Norfolk and Essex and will compare how the locations vary in terms of industry types and travel usage.

Our religion of focus changes in **RE** this half term from Islam to Hinduism and we are pleased to say we have managed to organise a trip to a Hindu Mandir - more details will be sent out separately.

In **Design and Technology** we are learning about textiles and joining fabrics. Once we have learnt about this and how to join fabrics using stitches we hope to have a sewing morning. This is likely to be on the morning of Thursday 5th December and it would be fantastic if parents or grandparents could come into school to help - letter confirming date to follow soon.

Monday and Wednesday continue to be our **PE** days and we are developing dance and yoga skills - the children have made a fantastic start to this.



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Year 6

Happy new half term!

It has been great to welcome back our year 6s this week and share what is happening this term.

We have lots of events and experiences coming up for the children, in addition to their learning inside the classroom.

We will be taking part in the Remembrance Service at the church on Monday (11th November) when we will be sharing poems we have written for the occasion. This is always a reflective occasion which members of the public come to as well and Werrington is always congratulated on the respectful behaviour of the children.

We are planning a walk to Tesco to look at food miles, have an Art of Brilliance Day coming up, a virtual workshop with the Cats' Protection League and later in the term we will be going carol singing too, so a busy few weeks ahead.

Over the next week or so we will be taking our second round of assessments in preparation for SATs. We will let you know the progress your child has made since September.

In **English** we are writing remembrance poems and looking at figurative language, structure and assonance (your child should be able to explain that!) We will be writing about the heart and the circulatory system in detail. We will also be writing a newspaper report about our visit to Tesco when working on food miles. Our class reader this term links to **PSHE** and our science topic and is Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman. Reading homework is due in by Wednesday each week and diaries with 4 entries weekly, please.

In **Maths** we are working on dividing fractions, increasing and decreasing percentages, and geometry. Maths homework is due in each Monday.

Science is exciting as we find out all about the circulatory system and the important job the heart does.

Our **Geography**, our topic is all centred around sustainability - in particular food miles which will involve some first hand research by way of a visit to Tesco (sorry, we can't do the weekly shop for you while we are there!)

PE will consist of cricket and orienteering this term - Tuesday and Friday are still our PE days.

We are planning to combine construction and electronic skills in **Design and Technology** this term as we design and build a light up gingerbread-house style village, although we won't be making it out of actual gingerbread, our food technology project comes later in the year.

Thank you for your continued support; as always, it is appreciated.