



## **Wortham Primary School**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another wonderful half term at Wortham Primary School and have had many things to share and celebrate with you. From the children's amazing learning and work created, to special events and fundraisers; we are very proud of all our children's achievements. As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to share with you some school news, updates and additional dates for your diary.

### **Staffing News**

I am delighted to share with you that Mrs Banham is expecting her first baby and will be going on her maternity leave at the end of September. We would all like to send Mrs Banham and her husband our very best wishes and many congratulations.

I am also very pleased to let you know that Mrs Widdeson will be returning to teaching and, from September, will be the class teacher for year 6. Many congratulations to Mrs Widdeson on her new appointment. We are now in the process of advertising to recruit for a new teaching assistant for Barn Owl Class.

### **Play Leaders**

Well done to our play leaders who completed their training with Mr Parry this week. The children spent the whole day learning how to be an effective leader and how to set up and run a range of games and activities for other children enjoy and play. Mr Waters will now be working with the play leader team to organise the activities that they will be running. This will expand our break and lunch time offer even further and provide the children with more opportunities to join in with and play more structured games.

### **Wilder School Fundraiser**

Well done to our amazing year 4's and Miss Stevenson who organised a brilliant morning to celebrate and share the work that they have done so far with the Suffolk Wildlife Trust. The children ran stalls and a raffle to raise money for the school environment and in total raised over £400 which is a fantastic achievement. Well done to all of you and thank you to our parents for your support.

### **School Values**

As you will know, we have been promoting our new school values of *Respect, Resilience, Compassion and Kindness*. This half term, we have introduced each class teacher choosing four children from their class who they feel have modelled and displayed each of these values. The children have then bought home a special certificate that they have been awarded.

This week, I have discussed with our staffing team the children who they feel have shown these values consistently and throughout this half term and therefore who we would like to give a special recognition to. Well done to the following children who have been recognised for demonstrating:

*Respect – Isaac, year 4*

*Resilience – Noah, reception*

*Compassion – Annabelle, year 5*

*Kindness – Sebastian, year 6*

### **Coffee Mornings & Drop in Sessions**

Our next coffee morning will be on: **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 9-10**

Drop-in sessions will be on: **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2.45 – 3.15 & Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 9 – 9.30**

## **Safeguarding Updates**

The safeguarding update this month is in relation to 'online safety and parenting'. The link below provides a very useful video from 'Internet Matters' which gives advice and tips other parents on how they support their children to stay safe whilst online.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xWLB1q82v1w>

## **Dates for the diary**

### **June:**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – First day back

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Cricket Competition

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June – FoWs – School Discos

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Class Photos

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Y4 Multiplication Check begins this week

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Drop in session with Mrs Clarke – 2.45 – 3.15

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Quadkids Athletics Competition

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Otters trip to see 'Wicked'

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Bumblebee trip to Foxwood

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Hedgehog and Barn Owls trip to the Science Museum

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Y6 Crucial Crew

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Transition days to Hartismere

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Move up day at Wortham

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception 23/24 Parents Information Evening

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Coffee Morning with Mrs Clarke 9 - 10am

### **July:**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Rounders Competition

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Parents Evening

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Y5 Open Afternoon at Hartismere High School

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Parents Evening

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Barn Owls and Otters Performance (Evening)

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (Parents welcome to watch in the afternoon)

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July - Barn Owls and Otters Performance (Afternoon & Evening)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Drop in session with Mrs Clarke – 9 – 9.30am

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – FoWs Summer Party

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 leavers lunch

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 leavers assembly

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Last Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – PD Day

I hope you all have a wonderful half term and we will look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Best wishes,

Hayley Clarke

**Head of School**