



# Worthington Primary School

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"We Only Reach for The Highest"

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

## Welcome Back

I do hope you all had a wonderful break with your families last week.

A reminder that I have asked parents to wear face coverings when entering school property with their child.

If your child has a child minder, could you please notify them of this slight operational rule change. Many thanks.

## Parents Evening

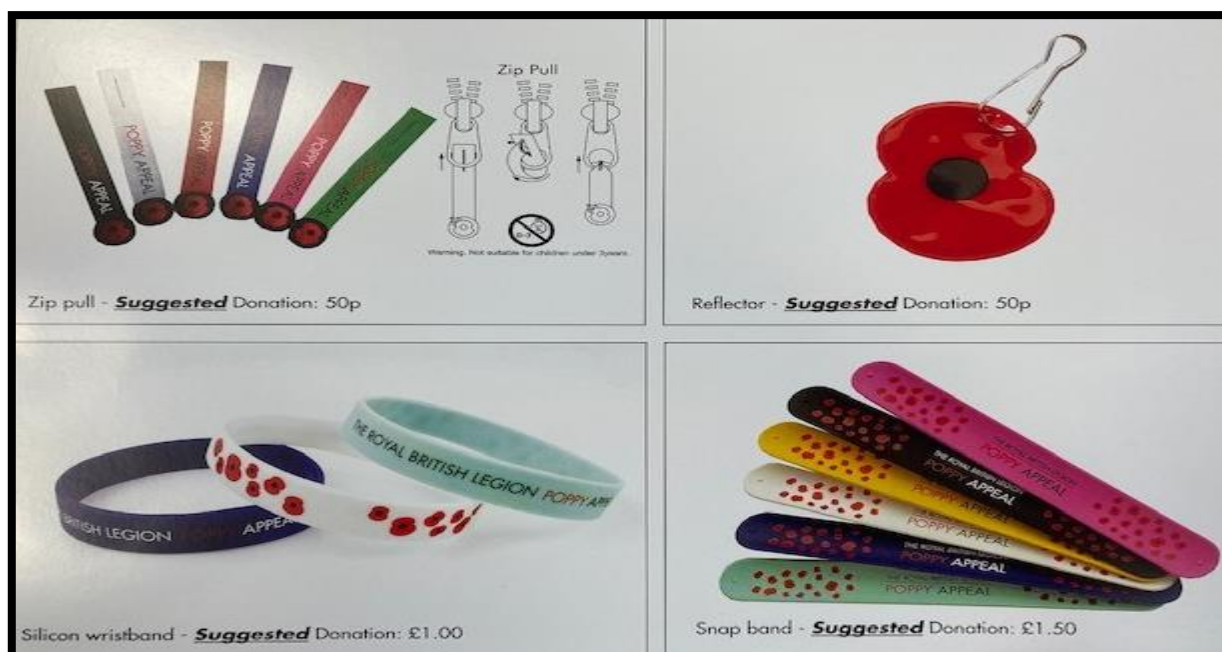
A reminder that parents' evening for all classes apart from Miss Yates' takes place on Tuesday and Thursday this week. Simply follow the instructions given and log in about five minutes before your appointment time if possible to make the event run as smoothly as possible. Miss Yates will speak to parents on Tuesday and Thursday of next week.

## Poppy Day

From tomorrow, we shall be selling our Poppy Day resources as we do every year for The Royal British Legion. As well as the poppies themselves (suggested donation price of 20p each), we have four other items as shown in the graphic below with the suggested donation price beside each picture.

This year, these items will not be available from the school office and nor will Year 6 pupils go around to the classes on a daily basis. A stock of each type of item will be held in each classroom and then distributed to those who wish to donate to this charity.

In addition, we shall mark the 11<sup>th</sup> November with two minutes silent time in school and a special assembly.



## Maths Week England, 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> November



### Miss Shaw writes:

During the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021. The children will be taking part in Maths Week England. In addition to their daily Maths lessons, each class will be taking part in activities designed to bring Maths to the classroom in a creative and fun way.

We are also asking you to do this at home too!

For Maths Week England we want to make maths exciting and high profile in our school. **For Years 2 to 6**, we will be taking part in a friendly competition involving schools from England from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November. It's all done online via: [play.ttrockstars.com](https://play.ttrockstars.com).

For every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, your child will earn their class a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

All game modes (Gig, Garage, Studio, etc.) will count but only from games played between 7:30am and 7:30pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>. To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of 60 minutes per player. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60 minutes between 7.30am and 7.30pm. Once the player goes beyond 60 minutes of play on a given day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans. We suggest a limit of half an hour a day outside school hours – some will play more, some will play less.

**For our Nursery, Reception and Year One children**, we are asking you to work as a family team to make a paper structure big enough to sit inside. Think about the shapes you will use to make your structure strong. Have a look around your house for some examples of 'strong structures' to help you.

Please take a picture of your child sat inside your structure and send it to your class teacher by **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021**. The winning family will be announced in assembly!



## Children's Flu Vaccine

Thank you for notifying us if your child is going to have the flu vaccine this year. For those children who will be having the nasal spray flu vaccine, it will be administered here at school on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November**.

Yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Searle', written in a cursive style.

Mr. C. Searle