

Worlingworth CEVC Primary School Parish Council Report





Annual Report for Worlingworth Parish Council AGM –April 2019

It has been an exciting year at Worlingworth School!



Another busy and exciting year at Worlingworth School! Highlights this year have included our Viking Week, Explorer Book week, trip to London, Stations of the Cross Day amongst lots of other exciting events!

Every day, of every term in every school year, we expect our pupils to try their best in their learning in all aspects of the curriculum. We have very high expectations in terms of academic progress and behaviour. Year on year our data tracking systems are showing excellent progress scores and we see our pupils developing musical, artistic, dance or sporting skills. We witness young people develop confidence to perform on stage, work as a team and show amazing compassion for others.

There is always so much going on in school, from sporting events, to book weeks, nativities and visitors. Here is a taster of our year!

Staffing

Mrs Ryan, along with Mrs Brady teaches our Nursery and Reception Class (Penguins), Mrs Tapscott and Mrs Kelway are in Key Stage 1 (Pandas) and Miss Owen and Mrs Savage work with Key Stage 2 (Panthers). Mrs Wendy Lawrence is our Finance and Administration Officer. Our dedicated teachers, teaching assistants and volunteers ensure that lessons are carefully planned to take into account the needs and interests of every child. Every teacher knows every child well and lessons are exciting, engaging and fun. Breakfast club runs daily from 8:15am and we have a number of after school clubs each week, including lacrosse, printing, archery, construction, film and drama clubs.

Nursery

We have an Outstanding Nursery at the school, offering an exciting educational environment, and highly trained and dedicated staff. Mrs Ryan and Mrs Nice have been joined by Mrs Brady and Mrs Daniel to enable us to run a full time nursery/pre-school provision. Our numbers have grown this year, as parents have been keen to take up more hours. Joint sessions with Home Start have proved to be very successful, bringing children into the Nursery and making good links with the wider community.



Partnership

Our partnership with Thorndon goes from strength to strength. We are able to share staff training, moderation and even attend trips together. We are looking to develop this further next year.

Website

The school has a new website! Do take a look: www.worlingworthschool.co.uk as there are lots of photographs showing some of the things we have been doing! We are also on Twitter @WorlingworthSch and Facebook: Worlingworth School



Friends

A big thank you to the Friends for all their hard work and fundraising. The money raised has allowed the children to attend the Christmas Pantomime in Norwich and contributed towards the Summer Trip.

Fairies and Elves

Jackie Quinton, a local Child Minder, specialising in Early Years, is running our successful Tea and Toys group on the 1st & 3rd Thursday each month. Crafts, baking and Spring activities have all been on the agenda this term. If you have pre-school aged children, do come along at 1:30pm and join in the fun.



Viking Week

During the summer term, we had a fantastic writing week, based on the Vikings. The children came into school to find a Viking camp on the field. Artefacts and clues inspired our children to write. The big finale at the end of the week was a super Viking camp fire!

Later in the term we produced our Viking Spectacular- a play about the Vikings, with music and dance, show casing all that we had been learning.

Sports Day

Everyone joined in Sports day and made it an afternoon of fantastic fun. Well done to Sapphire House for winning the sports day cup!



Harvest Festival

A big thank you to all those who donated food for Harvest Festival, the display in the Church looked wonderful. The contributions were auctioned and the money raised will go to the Matthew Rusike Charity.

<http://www.friendsofmatthewrusike.org/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Language Day- Nǐ hǎo

We enjoyed a super day learning about China and Madarin. Winni, a computer programmer from China came to talk about going to school in China and taught us some simple words and phrases!



Big Sing

Years 4,5 & 6 have been working hard to learn some lovely, but also challenging, songs to perform to the composer herself and special guests at Snape Maltings concert hall. They did superbly, we are very proud of their voices and their enthusiasm. What a wonderful sound we made, congratulations year 4,5 & 6 on a powerful performance. The composer Errolyn Wallen mentioned how moved and pleased she was, so all the hard work paid off!



Computing Week

A super week focusing on computing, programming and problem solving skills.

Nursery and Reception worked with beebots and directional language, KS1 really got to grips with word processing, saving and finding files, KS2 investigated and created own games using the software scratch.

All children enjoyed improving their computing skills, debugging skills (fixing programming mistakes) and challenging themselves to think more logically, like a computer.

Remembrance Day

100 years since the end of World War 1.

Worlingworth commemorated and celebrated the bravery of those involved in WW1 with a history week. Children learnt about how WW1 began and how it ended, which countries were involved and why Great Britain got involved, life in the trenches and life after the war ended. Each class created beautiful poppy art which was a part of the Worlingworth Church Remembrance service on Sunday 11th November 2018.

Nursery and reception made clay and printed paint poppies, KS1 used their sewing skills to create fabric poppies and KS2 used their abstract technique to create mixed media 2D poppy art. All of which looked brilliant as a display for our remembrance assembly and tea held at the school and then for the church service on Sunday.



A special thank you to Rev Burrell for speaking and bringing in a 'death penny' given out to families who had a bereavement in WW1, to share with the children during our school remembrance collective worship assembly on Friday.

Writing

Penguin class have been very busy writers as always, so Mrs Ryan entered their class poem to the 'Young Writers' competition. They all thought of ways to describe winter and created a riddle.....they were awarded a special certificate and the riddle will be published in a book called 'My First Riddle 2019-Norfolk and Suffolk.' Well done Penguins! Mrs Ryan will keep you posted about the arrival of the published book.

Nativity

December saw a successful performance of 'Call The Midwife' a modern nativity which included some wonderful singing and speaking performances from all the children and much laughter from the audience! It was a timely reminder about working together at that special time of year.

Book Trail Exploration

The children of Worlingworth Primary school completed a book trail exploration adventure after school today, inviting their family to join them in being active, wearing their wellies and putting their orienteering skills to the test. The mapped out adventure took our Worly explorers through the village, across bridges, in shallow ditches, over stiles and through muddy fields. Along the way the explorers collected clues all linked to famous books, with the last clue back at school. Upon their return the excited explorers received a well deserved snack and drink, for they were thirsty after their adventures, and an extra special bookmark to remember their expedition by. Thank you to all those who took part and to those who planned



such a brilliant active Book Week explorer trail challenge.



orienteering skills ready for next year.

Orienteering

Super effort from all that attended the Orienteering competition at Haristmere High School. No-one got lost, all Worlingworth teams managed to find most, if not all, the markers and use a map correctly; ensuring North was always facing North and using the landmarks around them to support their orienteering quest. Everyone seemed to enjoy their time and experience. A big thank you to those who helped organise the event and we will continue to improve our



London Trip

Year 5 and 6 had a fantastic day out in London. From Tube to River Bus to windy walking on the Millennium Bridge they explored the capital city in many different ways. In the morning, they focussed on the Tudor history of London, observing Shakespeare's Globe and exploring the Golden Hinde to learn more about life on board a Tudor ship. Then after lunch, they headed to Westminster to see democracy in action with a tour around the Houses of Parliament. They sat in the House of Commons and stood in the House of Lords and ended their tour with a question session in a select committee room! After a sing-along with their tea at McDonalds, the children headed home for a surprising train journey in a dark carriage. Uno in the dark anyone!

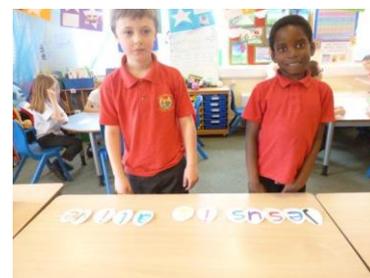


Mothers' Day Lunch

Worlingworth would like to send lots of love and thanks for all those wonderful females with mothering roles in our pupil's lives this weekend. We held a special lunch here at school where many of our pupil's mother figures came to celebrate. We had mummies and nannies, aunts and female family friends all who have loved, cared for and nurtured our pupils. They were treated to enjoy; table service cooked lunch, flowers on the tables, special place mats and homemade gifts from the children. We hope you had a lovely lunch, it was wonderful to see so many faces at our Mother figure lunch and we wish you a very lovely weekend....enjoy it while it lasts :) Happy Mothering Sunday!

Stations of the Cross

As we head towards a special time for Christians, Worlingworth Primary learned more about the Easter Story in an interactive and thought provoking morning. We started with a whole school collective worship and then separated into groups, each group travelled around the school to different stations (lead by the teachers) to learn more about different parts of the Christian Easter story. Our 6 stations focused on: Hopes and Dreams- Palm Sunday, Servant King - Jesus tending to others, Remember Me - The Last supper, Alone - In the garden of Gethsemane, Sharing of our suffering - Good Friday and Resurrection - Easter Sunday. The children were invited to observe different displays and representations of each station then to discuss and reflect on the different parts of the Easter Story. We then finished our morning with an Easter trail; KS2 hunted for answers on paper Easter eggs that needed to be matched with the Christian Easter questions and KS1 hunted for paper Easter eggs with letter that, when placed in the correct order, spelt 'Jesus is alive.' The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and had lots of opportunities to reflect on their own lives and religious beliefs. A big thank you to all the teachers involved in organising a wonderful Easter morning.



Arithmetic Café & Literacy Café We are always keen to work alongside our parents to help them support their child's learning at home and so this spring we have organised two open mornings for parents. The Literacy Café was for parents of our youngest children in Penguin Class and gave them an opportunity to find out about how we teach phonics, reading and writing and to provide reading books and activities to do together at home. The Arithmetic Café was open for all parents in the school. They came and worked alongside their child to complete various maths activities and to ask questions about supporting maths homework. It was wonderful to see so many mums, dads, grandparents and other family members at both mornings and feedback has been very positive.