DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Swifts
Weekly Newsletter

Friday 26th November 2021

Reading –
Please read at least 4 times a week and record what you have read in your reading record.

Spellings –
We will complete a test on Fridays.

Home learning
This week, your home learning is on google classrooms.

PE
Thursday (outdoor)
Friday (indoor)

Class Attendance 94%

Thank you to everyone for continuing to do everything we can to make sure children are in school as much as possible.
This time of year always brings a lot of coughs and colds and we are grateful for parents being particularly vigilant about ensuring that children are well enough to be in school and in particular making use of the PCR tests available when children show any symptoms.
Please continue to bring your child to school if they are well enough unless they have had a positive test result.

Dear Parents and Carers,
It's been another wonderful week in Swifts class, culminating in our gingerbread dough-making workshop! We took festive advantage of this and created decorations for our classroom as well as Christmas cards, too – all in all, we had a fabulously fun and festive carousel of Christmassy crafts 😊.

Your child will bring home their gingerbread dough along with instructions for rolling-out, cutting-out and baking. Please let us know if your child requires help to do this in school and we will then arrange to do this early next week. **The baked gingerbread needs to be returned to school**, for construction, next Thursday

For next Thursday, 2nd December:

Each child will need to bring their baked gingerbread house pieces back in to school along with a **cake base** to construct their house on. These can be bought from supermarkets or shops like Lawsons, on Totnes high street, or you can make your own by covering cardboard (e.g., an old cereal box) with foil. Please ensure that the base is rigid and not flexible.

Your child will also need the following items:

- **A small bowl**
- **A dessert spoon and/or a blunt butter knife**
- **An apron**
- An icing piping bag and nozzle/s **(optional)**

Please **do not** send in sweets for decorating, yet (that's the week after).

We will have some of all the above items available in school and so can supply these for your child if you are unable.
If you have any concerns or queries then please do not hesitate to email the office dartington@lapsw.org and this will be forwarded onto us.
Best wishes,
Mrs Honey and Dr Short

Star of the Week
Issy – We are so proud of you for your steady growth in confidence across this term, for good progress in all your learning and for showing our school values of compassion and trust in the calm, thoughtful and reliable way that you interact with your peers and the adults in school.Well done 😊

Important!
Please bring your **cake base for gingerbread house** construction on **Thursday 2nd December**.
Please ensure that your child has a coat in school.

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TOGETHER WE EMPOWER EXCELLENCE

Y5 spellings (for test on Friday 3rd December)	
List A Long vowel 'O' (more o_e words): **hope** **joke** **cone** **nose** **globe**	**List B: Words from the 5/6 spellings list** **hindrance** **identity** **individual** **interfere** **interrupt**