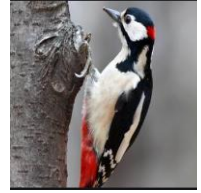




DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Woodpeckers Weekly Newsletter

Friday 5th November 2021



HOME LEARNING

Google Classroom - The class code for our class is: ydsw2zh

Reading – Please continue to read at least four times per week at home.

Spellings –

Please learn the spellings from the lists attached. There is a support group list for those children for whom spelling is particularly tricky.

Maths-



Keep practising your number facts using the TT Rockstars and Numbots apps. If you don't have log ins for these, please let me know.

ROUTINES

PE – Monday (outdoor) and Wednesdays (indoor) Please note this is a change from last half term.

Forest School – Tuesdays

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your children all had a good break over half term. It seems that winter has really arrived in earnest this week with this cold weather, which has been a bit of a shock to us all! Due to the ongoing pandemic, just like last winter, we aim to keep the air flowing through classrooms as much as possible. For this reason, it is advisable to send your children in with warm clothing as it can be pretty chilly in the classroom in the mornings if we have to keep the windows open!

You may have noticed we have a new member of staff in class in the mornings. We were delighted when Mrs Merrington started with us at Dartington shortly before half term and she is with our class during registration time in order to help those children who need a bit of additional support settling in. Mrs Merrington is also based in our class in the afternoons and will be an extra “trusted adult” for your children to get to know and to go to for support; I know lots of them have worries and additional things going on and we always strive to meet each child’s individual needs as effectively as possible.



In our learning this week, we have started out new English topic “writing to entertain...” We will be working towards writing our own stories with a castle setting, to link with our exiting new history topic of Medieval Britain. We will be particularly focusing on the history of Totnes and Dartington and during our research, Mrs Davis discovered that there are 66 buildings/houses in the Totnes

area that date back to medieval times. If you know of any of these, please get in touch as we'd love to share a bit of local history with the children.

Thinking back to before half term, you may remember that Woodpeckers World Savers (i.e.your children!) came up with a campaign called “Tree Plant Tuesdays” as their way of tackling climate change. Their first “Tree Plant” session will be taking place on Tuesday next week, so if you have any seeds/conkers/acorns to send in, I know the children would really appreciate these.

As always, please get in touch if needed using our email address, dartington@lapsw.org Wishing you all a wonderful half term break.
Kind regards, Mrs Foucher

Attendance: Thank you to everyone for continuing to do everything you can to make sure children are in school as much as possible. Please continue to bring your child to school if they are well enough - unless they have had a positive test result.

Please remember that every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.



Star of the Week

This week's star learner is Flo, for always showing our values of trust and compassion towards other children (and adults!) in our class. 😊



Important!

Please continue to ensure your child has a water bottle and a waterproof coat (with a hood) with them each day. Thank you.

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Year 4 spellings	Support spelling list
favourite February forward(s) fruit grammar	different dog door dragon duck

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