



**DARTINGTON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

# Red Kites Weekly Newsletter

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021



### Reading –

Please read at least 4 times a week at home. If you can, try logging on to accelerated reader and trying a book quiz!

### Home learning –

This week, I have not set any weekly questions, as I want to give the children the opportunity to finalise their craft items, ahead of Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>.

Dear Parents/Carers,

And just like that, we are in December!

It has been all things Christmas again this week, as we prepare for the Christmas fair. The children have pulled out all the stops; from creating items to sell, pricing and designing posters, coming up with games to play, and hopefully organising a visit from a very special person!

*Jolly Jars and Tombola –*

*Ahead of next week, if you would like to make a jolly jar or contribute an item to the tombola, please could these be handed into our classroom, no later than Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December.*

*What is a jolly jar and what can I include?*

*A jolly jar can include a selection of small items such as; sweets, mini toys, Lego, arts and crafts materials, stored inside a clear glass jar. These can be decorated with ribbons and wrapping paper, and then will be sold as part of a stall at the fair. Children are welcome to buy back their own jolly jar, or a totally different one!*

*Tombola - we would really appreciate any donation items for tombola, this could be things such as;*

- *Teddies*
- *Unwanted gifts, toys or books (in good condition)*
- *Sweet and savoury treats*

*There is so much excitement ahead of next week, and not just for the fair!*

We began assembling our gingerbread houses this week, and it has been so hard not to give some sneak peeks of behind the scenes!! We will be finishing the decoration of these next week, ready to display in the windows of the rooms at the top of our school (Lighthouse, Swifts, Haytor and Red Kites.) I am so excited to see it all come together!!

### For next Thursday, 9th December:

We will supply some sweets for gingerbread decoration but if your child wishes to use types of confectionary, or other items, to decorate their gingerbread, please ensure that these are in school for next Thursday, when we will be doing our gingerbread decorating workshop. Your child will also need the following items:

***A small bowl, a dessert spoon and/or a blunt butter knife, an apron and an icing piping bag and nozzle/s (optional).*** As always, any questions or queries, please do catch me during drop off or collection time, or email [dartington@lapsw.org](mailto:dartington@lapsw.org). Best wishes, Miss Humphries 😊

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.



### Star of the Week

**Vlad** – for his creativity within his writing, brilliant responses and suggestions during class discussion, and ever-growing confidence.



### Important!

Please ensure your child has both a water bottle and waterproof coat with them every day; the autumnal weather is everchanging at the moment!

# Together we grow, together we flourish

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