



DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Robins Weekly Newsletter

Friday 21st January 2022



ROUTINES next week:

Book bags: Please bring **book bags every Monday and Friday** so that children can change their phonics reading book and library book. We will be visiting the library on Friday afternoon.

· **Forest School will be on Wednesday afternoon** next week. Remember a warm coat and wellies!

· **Thursday (morning):** PE –we will start to change for PE this term. Please ensure your child has their PE top and suitable shoes (trainers or plimsols). **Please name everything!**

Oxford Owl and Tapestry videos:

Please do check your Oxford Owl login and Tapestry for the videos and reading which will support your child as they learn to read. These will link to the sounds and words your child has been learning in their lessons this week. Thank you!

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk>

Dear grown-ups,

We have been thinking about the people who help us in our local community this week, using Google Earth to identify the local services and facilities we use and then finding out more about what the people who work there do. We enjoyed listening to the story of Percy the Park Keeper, and then used this to think about the ways we can all help animals in winter. We made some fruit bird feeders and have hung these up in the trees near our classroom – I wonder what we will spot?

Each week in Reception several children are chosen as ‘Focus Children’. This means that we spend a little more time observing these children as they play to find out about their interests, fascinations and how they are progressing in the Early Years Foundation Stage. We value the unique knowledge and understanding you have of your children and so would really appreciate it if you shared some photos and observations via Tapestry about your child’s development and home life with us when they are a focus child. We will send you a message on the Friday of the week before your child is a focus child. Thank you!

Our EYFS padlet for book recommendations is going strong but we would love for more of you to take part – do have a look and see if there are any books on there you might like to read with your child and share any favourites you have at home! The link can be found here:

<https://padlet.com/amcknight17/dartingtoneyfsrecommends>

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs McKnight and the EYFS team

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Attendance

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

Our star of the week this week is Hattie! Hattie has been such a Tryatops this week and has been putting lots of effort into all her learning and play. Well done Hattie!



Isla has lost her toy dog – Rufus – and he is very special to her. Please have a look and keep your eyes open for him – thank you!



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