



DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Swifts Weekly Newsletter



Friday 21st January 2022

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 -

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,

What a busy Week 3 we have had, we can't believe we are nearing the end of January already!

In English, we have been exploring how to use rhetorical questions in our persuasive writing. We have been really impressed by how persuasive Swifts are and look forward to reading all our persuasive letters at the end of the term! In Maths, we have used the area model to help us multiply two-digit numbers. It has been fantastic to see how everybody's confidence has improved throughout the week. Next week, we will be learning how to use long multiplication to help us multiply two- and three-digit numbers.

In Science, we explored how a mirror can reflect light and that the angle of incidence and the angle of reflection are equal which further shows how light travels in a straight line. We have also explored patterns of human and physical features maps of the United Kingdom in our Geography lessons. We have noticed how there is a link between these features and how the physical Geography of our landscape determines how people use the landscape.

Our forest school sessions are on Thursday mornings, outdoor PE lessons are on Thursdays (hand ball) and Fridays (gymnastics). Please could children bring in their PE kit to school: Dartington t-shirt (which can be purchased via link sent), black, dark blue or grey shorts/leggings (or jogging bottoms for colder weather) and lace up or velcro fastening sports training shoes. We request that this is kept in school. We will aim to go out for a run as often as we can. Please also ensure that your child has a coat and suitable footwear in school every day.

We are really impressed with the number of children logging on to Times Tables Rock Stars and would love to see you all logging on each week for your chance to win a class certificate for the highest amount of; minutes played; coins earned; days active; and correct answers. Please let us know if you have any difficulties logging in to Times Tables Rockstars or to Numbots.

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,
Dr Short and Mr Chadwick



Star of the Week

Alethea – we are incredibly so proud of all your hard work across all subjects and for how you show our school values in all that you do!
Well done!



Important!

Forest school is on Thursday mornings.

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Y5 spellings (for test on Friday 28th January)

List A
'igh' sounds

night
light
bright
flight
might

List B:
Year 5/6 WORDS
linked to our writing

determined
especially
immediately
unnecessarily
sincerely

List C:
Cross-curricular words

physical
temperature
symbol

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