



DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Swifts Weekly Newsletter



Friday 7th 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 fantastic first week of term we have had this week! We have really enjoyed seeing everybody after the Christmas break and have loved returning to our learning this term.

This week, we have begun to explore features of persuasive writing and have written a persuasive letter to about how and why plastic pollution should be stopped. In Maths we have begun to examine how to multiply numbers up to four-digits by one digit numbers. We have really enjoyed using different mathematical resources and place value grids to support our learning. In Science, we are starting to learn about our new topic – Light.

Our forest school sessions will now be on a **Thursday mornings** and will be taught by Mrs Wallis. As in the autumn term, PE lessons will be on Thursday and Friday afternoons, our outdoor session is handball (Thursdays) and our indoor session is gymnastics (Fridays). The children will all need a P.E. kit: Dartington t-shirt (which needs to be purchased direct via the link sent from the office), 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 (as a 'movement break' between lessons) so please ensure that your child has a coat and suitable footwear in school every day.

Remember to log in to Times Tables Rock Stars to help practise your times tables. Each week there is the opportunity for one member of our class to win a certificate for the highest amount of; minutes played; coins earned; days active; and correct answers.

We hope you have all had a relaxing break over Christmas and are excited to see everyone back for the new year.

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

Jamie – we are incredibly proud of how fantastically you have begun your learning this term. Well done for being such an excellent role model!



Important!

Forest school is on a Thursday morning with Mrs Wallis.

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Y5 spellings (for test on Friday 14th January)

List A
'ay' sounds

day
hay
way
clay
play

List B:
Year 5/6 WORDS

government
recognise
relevant
restaurant
rhyme
rhythm

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