



**DARTINGTON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

# Wrens Weekly Newsletter Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 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 Families,

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school this week after the move to remote learning last week – thank you so much to you all for all your support and understanding. It was great to see such high levels of engagement in the home learning and the children have enjoyed sharing what they did by looking at Tapestry together.

This week is National Story Telling week and we have been enjoying exploring and creating lots of stories together. The children have been introduced to 'Helicopter Stories', a shared story-telling session in which the children's own stories are acted out collaboratively and shared. We have loved hearing the children use vocabulary from books and stories we have shared together and we have been so impressed with the way they have joined in, sharing their ideas and listening to each other.

On Wednesday we joined with other schools in our school family for a shared story time with Mrs Cooke, who leads the Ilsham English Hub. Mrs Cooke read us 'Once Upon a Dragon's Fire' by Beatrix Blue. We loved seeing the friendly faces of children from Reception and Year 1 across the Trust as we listened to the story!

We have also been enjoying listening to stories from around the world, using our globe to help us find the countries these stories originated from. If you would like to listen to these at home, you can find them here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/english-ks1-where-the-night-came-from/zn2kjhv>

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Carr 😊

## 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

My star of the week is **Finley** for his hard work in our PE session this week and for being so helpful in our classroom! Well done Finley!



**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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