



DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Woodpeckers Weekly Newsletter

Friday 1st April 2022



HOME LEARNING

Google Classroom - The class code for our class is: ydsw2zh

Reading – Please continue to read at least four times per week at home.

Spellings – Please learn the spellings from the lists attached. There is a support group list for those children for whom spelling is particularly tricky.

Maths-
Keep practising your number facts using the TT Rockstars and Numbots apps



ROUTINES

Please note these routines are subject to change.

PE –Monday (indoor) and Fridays (outdoor)

Forest School – Tuesdays

Please ensure your child has a water bottle and a waterproof coat (with a hood) with them each day

Dear Parents and Carers,
This week in Woodpeckers class, we have started to count down to the Easter holidays by coming to the end of some of our units of learning. On Tuesday, Miss Cose led the class in our final history lesson of this half term. We compared life in Roman times with life today and realised that both time periods actually had a lot in common! On Monday, we put together and performed our “Treat People with Kindness” dance. We started choreographing this back in the autumn term using some great dance tutorials on the Red Nose Day website at: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0990c2s> The children worked in groups to choose their favourite dance moves and decided on how to sequence these. We then performed these in canon, and the effect was stunning. Well done to all the children who took part.
We are also really enjoying our outdoor learning sessions. On Wednesday we started digging a new flower bed and path in Forest School and we also had an additional sports session with Mrs Mitchell. Last week’s additional session was a game of diamond cricket and this week’s was badminton.
The spring sunshine is definitely lifting our energy levels when we are starting to feel end-of-term tired. We often pop outside for a quick breather in between lessons. Our favourite games at the moment are Stuck in the Mud and Chicken, Hero, Friend. We can’t wait for the field to be a little drier so we can get up there in the mornings too. 😊
Please do continue ensure that all cuddly toys, games, toys and trading cards are left safely at home. Thank you.
If you would like to get in touch, please email admin@lapsw.org
Kind regards, Mrs Foucher.



Attendance: Thank you to everyone for continuing to do everything you can to make sure children are in school as much as possible. Please continue to bring your child to school if they are well enough - unless they have had a positive test result.

Please remember that every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.



Star of the Week

Santi – for his positive attitude, showing our value of wisdom, and for his progress with his learning across the curriculum.



Important!

Friday 8th April – We’ll be testing out our DT reading torches at a class “pyjama party”. Please send your child in with their pjs/a onesie (if they wish), suitable snacks and a cuddly toy. 😊

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Year 4 spellings	Support spelling list
<p>We're continuing to look at homophones and near-homophones (words which sound the same or similar but have a different spelling and meaning)</p> <p>Find out what each of these words mean and practise each spelling.</p> <p>medal/meddle</p> <p>missed/mist</p> <p>peace/piece</p>	<p>one</p> <p>only</p> <p>or</p> <p>other</p> <p>our</p>

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