



DARTINGTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Nightingales Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th May 2022



HOME LEARNING

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

Maths-

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



ROUTINES

Please note these routines are subject to change.

PE –Tuesday and Thursday

Forest School – Friday

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to Nightingales for a brilliant first week back at school after the half term break. At the end of the week before the break the children completed their Giacometti sculptures. Looking at their previous designs, the children skilfully crafted their sculptures using clay and wire. The children ensured their sculptures would have a secure clay base so that they would be strong and sturdy. They rolled, squeezed, smoothed, pulled, carved and pinched the clay to form the shapes of animals and people. The resulting sculptures are really wonderful and really embrace Giacometti's style. Well done children!



This week we started our new history topic; ancient Egypt. We learnt about this ingenious ancient civilisation which was formed around the river Nile. As a class we discovered how the ancient Egyptians grew a variety of crops, built incredible pyramids, created a writing system called hieroglyphs, invented a solar calendar, worshipped many gods and goddesses and believed in the afterlife. We also learnt about Egyptian social hierarchy and how the pharaoh was at the very top of this social system. Working as archaeologists, the children used brushes to uncover ancient Egyptian artefacts buried in the sand. Looking at the objects, the children considered what they may be able to tell us about ancient Egyptian life.

Over the course of the week the children have been working so very hard towards their Maths and English assessments. I am really proud of their determination and efforts. Well done class!

As always, if you would like to get in touch, please email dartington@lapsw.org
Kind regards, Miss Gale

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



Star of the Week

Tymon– for settling so well into our school. He worked brilliantly hard towards his assessments.

Together we grow, together we flourish