

Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

Class: Oak / Y2

Friday 10th January 2020

Home learning



Please help your child with their reading at home and make sure that you date and sign their Reading Record Book so that they get their reward points in class.

New spellings will come out next week so please look out for them.

Class news

Happy New Year to you all and I very much hope you've all had a fantastic Christmas. It seems such a long time ago now and we're very much back into the swing of things here at school. The children have returned really well and have pretty much picked up where they left off before the holiday. Some children have really shone: Megan, Taylor-Rose and Emerald in particular! They are consistently making good choices and have had several 'wow' moments throughout the week. The spring term is such an important term. We've already had a term to settle and to get used to those heightened expectations that come from being in Year 2 and now it's all about moving learning forward rapidly in preparation for the final, summer term. The focus continues to be on reading so please support your child with this at home so that they don't fall behind.

This week we started our new learning journey: 'How can we learn from the voyage of the Mayflower and those that sailed on her?' This kicked off with our Exciting Writing morning on Wednesday which totally inspired the children. I hope they came home and told you all about their adventure!

Attendance

Walnut – 99.2%
Oak – 98.1%
Beech – 97.5%
Willow – 96.1%
Elm – 98.5%
Chestnut – 97.4%

*Please ensure your child attends school every day.
Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.*

Reflections on the week

It has been a great first week back and I have been thoroughly impressed with the high level of maturity and responsibility shown. The children are showing shows of being KS2 ready already. They have come such a long way. Their learning behaviours continue to impress across the school – well done Oak Class!

The Week ahead

Next week we'll be looking in detail at what the Mayflower was like and thinking about all the passengers who sailed on her. If you can do a little research at home that'd be great information to share! What facts can you find out?

A huge thank you to Morrisons!

The bag packing some of our children undertook last term helped raise valuable funds of £391 and Morrisons have match funded - so an incredible £782 has been raised! This will pay for a triple composter/leaf mould that Morrisons have kindly agreed to build for us! The match funding is planned for garden resources, materials, seeds, bulbs, plants etc. The Potting Shed in Totnes have also agreed to source the resources at cost and donate the seeds and bulbs etc as a local business which is very kind!!

Last term we also held a wonderful Nativity and Christmas Service. At these events we do ask parents not to post images or video on social media. This is really important as it safeguards children. If images are shared we will need to consider asking for no photos or videos to be taken at all at events, which would be a great shame. Thank you for your support in this matter!



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