

Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

Class: Willow

Friday 20TH December

Home learning

Times Table Rock Stars.
Totnes St John's CE primary school

We have just signed up to Spelling Shed. This will be a valuable resource for practising spellings at home. Please download the app and use the username and password attached to get started. I can check to see how you are doing!

Keep up the reading. Little and often is most effective.

Class news

It has been a lovely last week at St John's. We have finished our persuasive speeches and had the opportunity to present them to our class. I was very impressed with the confidence they all showed when doing this.

On Tuesday, the fabulous kitchen staff prepared a wonderful Christmas dinner for us all. We sat and ate together with some of the volunteers who have supported our learning this term.

On Thursday, we had a great day making Christmas cards for our volunteers and watching 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. It was lovely to watch this film because we have spent the term reading it as our class reader and have thought deeply about its meaning as well as simply enjoying this classic story together.

The week ended with our wonderful Carol service. Thanks to all who attended. I hope this has put everyone in the mood for Christmas.

Attendance

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| Walnut 94.3% | Oak 96.3% |
| Willow 94.3% | Beech 94.9% |
| Elm 97.8% | Chestnut 95.8% |

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

Reflections on the week

Well done to all the children for demonstrating all they have learnt from this term's RE and literacy based learning journey. Everyone has worked so hard and truly deserve a restful break.

A special thank you to Kaela who read her speech in church.

The Week ahead

Next term, we will start a new learning journey entitled: What can we learn from the voyage of the Mayflower and the people who sailed on her? Please read the attached note about an exciting immersive experience we have planned for the children on the Wednesday of the first week back. It would be wonderful if everyone could dress up for this experience.



As the term ends we have some exciting news to share. Annie Cox-Doyle, our SENDCo Assist, will be leaving us for further exciting opportunities. Annie has supported us with passion and commitment this term and we wish her all the best in the new year. The Trust continues to invest heavily in the school, and the 2018-2019 outcomes for all schools have now been officially published. We are thrilled that St John's have achieved their highest ever outcomes for Year 6, with 73% of children achieving at expected or higher. You can compare results across schools in the area on the DfE website www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk