

Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

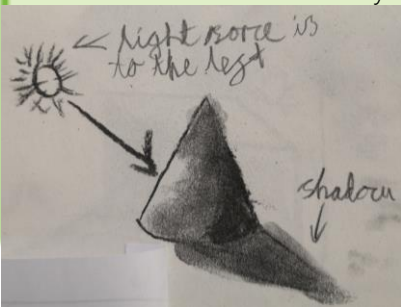
Class: Year 3/4 Beech Class

Friday 7th February 2020

Home learning

Please read with your child daily, practise on Rock Stars and Spelling Shed. It is important for your child to be practising their times tables at home. I will be having a times tables practise test each Friday to test that week's table we have been learning, at that is focused on Times Table Rock Stars.

ARTWORK: By Alex



Class news

Beech Class have been fully emerged in their learning around being an artist. They have all produced beautiful charcoal sketches creating a 3D effect by using light and shadow; I could not be prouder! We have finished our swimming sessions for the year. It is safe to say that all children made progress in ability and confidence, and it goes without saying we all had fun throughout!

The gardening has again be going very well this week and the children have carried over their work on collaboration nd applied to working outside; in particular Alex and Ella have been great role models for this.

Our Silver Certificates this week go to...

- Leo for producing wonderful charcoal 3D sketches using light and shadow
- Kal for producing wonderful 3D sketches and showing strong resilience throughout the drawing process

Attendance

Walnut	Oak
94.9%	98%
Beech	Willow
96%	91%
Elm	Chestnut
98.5%	97.3%

Please ensure your child attends school every day.

Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.

Reflections on the week

Beech Class have shown great creativity this week throughout their artwork. One thing I am very happy with is the way many of the children have grown in confidence in such a short space. When we started discussing art and drawing, many of the children said "I can't do it", however they have quickly learnt that they can, anyone can! Well done Beech Class!

The Week ahead

We will be continuing to grow and develop as artists, ready to apply our skills to our final piece of work. Beech class will also be receiving a visit from a local artist who will share their experience of what it is like to be an artist and what it's like to display work in an exhibition.



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Trust news

Sam Ward is the Trust's Food and Nutrition Lead. Sam is often at Totnes St John's working with teachers, children and kitchen staff to develop our curriculum around health and wellbeing. Sam has won many awards for her work with education around food, permaculture and nutrition. She has been instrumental in developing our school gardens area and developing our strategy around improving children's awareness and understanding. Photographs of our Trust central team can be found on the Trust website <https://www.acexcellence.co.uk/our-people>