

# Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

**Class:** Year 6 Chestnut Class

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019

## Home learning

After all your hard work and incredible learning this term, make sure that you have a well-earned rest and enjoy spending time with your friends and family.

Please also make some quiet time to read the two books that you have chosen. Record your reading in your planner and note down some facts about each book that you would like to share with the class next term.

## Attendance

**Walnut – 92.7%**

**Oak – 93.5%**

**Beech – 97.1%**

**Willow – 91.7%**

**Elm – 97.4%**

**Chestnut – 98.4%**

*Please ensure your child attends school every day.*

*Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.*

## Class news



This week Chestnut Class came to the end of their learning journey which aimed to answer the question, 'How can my words and actions challenge injustice in my community?' The journey concluded with a visit to Stafford Court to play games and sing carols. Georgie has written in her journal that she 'wanted to make a change' to the lives of the older people who live there, and the positive change was clear to see by the smiles and laughter from the residents. One resident even said that it was the most fun that she had had since last Christmas, and that she was really looking forward to our next visit.



## Reflections on the week

As part of our learning journey, we have been reflecting on what sort of world Jesus would want and how we can use that knowledge to guide our own words and actions. We have studied some stories and accounts of Jesus' life, including the parable he told about the Good Samaritan. In the opinion of both Tyler R and Leah F, the key message of this parable is that we should treat all people equally, no matter who they are. Year 6 have clearly understood this message and applied it to their own lives by giving up their time to spend it with a group in our community who could easily become isolated from society.

## The Week ahead

Happy Christmas, Chestnut Class!  
Have a wonderful holiday!



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](http://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk)