

# Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

Class: Willow

Friday 6<sup>TH</sup> December 2019

## Home learning

Times Table Rock Stars.  
Totnes St John's CE primary  
school  
Username: Name  
Password: Willow

Please think about making conversation with people. What could you talk about? How could you show them you are listening?

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

## Class news

This week we had the opportunity to act in the Open the Book assembly in front of the whole school. We told the story about the journey that Mary and Joseph made to Bethlehem. We noticed the compassion that the innkeeper showed them when he saw how weary they looked.

By reading and understanding these stories from the Bible, we are able to understand how God wants us to treat others. This is particularly important to us because next week we are going to go to the community café at St John's church. The cafe offers people from our local community a place to chat and make connections with others.

We have spent a lot of time thinking about loneliness and we think the community cafe would be a good place to encourage someone to go to if they are feeling lonely.

## Attendance

**Walnut**  
**YR/I**

**94%**

**Oak Y2**  
**94%**

**Willow**  
**Y3/4**

**97%**

**Beech**  
**Y3/4 93%**

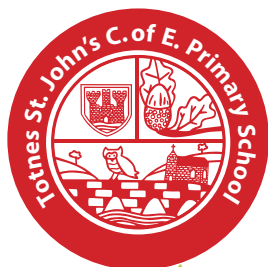
*Please ensure your child attends school every day.  
Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.*

## Reflections on the week

In class we spent a lot of time thinking about taking care of others. In outdoor learning we thought about taking care of our environment. It was lovely to have a dry afternoon this week. We noticed the change of seasons and collected lots of leaves to make leaf mould to fertilise the vegetable plot in the future.

## The Week ahead

Next week, we will be making cakes to take to the community café on Wednesday morning. Serving others in this way is a good way to offer help and show that we care. It will be a lovely character building experience. Please take time at home to think about the kinds of things you can chat about when making conversation with new people.



The logo features the letters 'ace' in a lowercase, rounded font with a green leaf above the 'a'. Below it, the words 'Trust news' are written in a bold, purple, sans-serif font.  
**Trust news**

Many of you will have started to meet Claire Platt, the Trust Director of Education. Mrs Platt's role spans all the Trust schools, ensuring that teaching and learning leads to the highest possible outcomes. Claire is increasingly at Totnes St John's working with our teachers on their own training- developing their teaching skills, sharing great practice and identifying new leaders. Claire often works directly with Mr Funnell in supporting teachers and support staff in the school, helping to move forward teaching rapidly for the benefit of all our children

