

Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

Class: Oak / Y2

Friday 7th February 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. Well done to Jessica who is the first to reach 50 points!

We have been talking a lot about fluency in Maths. This includes knowing number bonds to 10 and times tables. Please try to help your child with this area at home. I can give you lots of ideas if you need some – please come and speak to me.

We're down to only a few names of those who don't know their number bonds to 10 fluently. It was pretty much everyone at the beginning of the year so that's brilliant progress.

Class news



We were so close to first prize with our attendance this week – well done everyone! We still have a few children regularly late though – please make sure that you're in on time. We open the classroom doors at 08:45 and school starts promptly at 08:55. It helps if children are in and settled for this time.

We have had a record number of children climbing our behaviour/work ladder in class. Lots of children are routinely making great choices with their learning behaviours and are producing 'wow' moments day in and day out. A couple of children even made it 'through the roof', going beyond GOLD! Well done to Maci and Jessica for smashing through the roof of the classroom just like we read about Charlie doing in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory!

Benji continues to astound us with the progress he is making in all areas but particularly his writing – well done Benji! Jack and Louisa have also impressed me with their writing this week. Keep up the great work everyone.

Attendance

Oak 98%

Willow 91%

Chestnut 97.3%

Walnut 94.9%

Beech 96%

Elm 98.5% another great week!

Please ensure your child attends school every day.

Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost.

Reflections on the week

We have talked a lot about presentation this week. This is from the way we are presented in school, looking smart, sitting smartly and behaving smartly. But it's also about the way we present our work. We all agree that work needs to be neat and presentable and that each and every one of us should take pride in what we have produced.

The Week ahead

Next week we'll start work on writing our journey story which we're really excited about and we'll be painting our seascapes to round up our learning about being an artist. Look out for all the creativity in Oak Class next week!



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>