

Totnes St. John's Weekly Newsletter

Class: Willow

Friday 24th January

Home learning

Hopefully everyone should now have their logins to Spelling Shed. We have used it in class so the children know how to use it properly. This is an area that needs to improve generally for the whole class.

Don't forget to keep practising times tables. You can login to Times Tables rock stars to help.

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

Class news

This week the whole class was fortunate enough to spend some time doing some gardening on a dry day! The work they are doing will really help to develop this outdoor space and help their understanding of how things grow. It is really important that the whole class has their **gardening clothes in school all the time** so they can make the most of this space.

A small group of children went with Mrs Tucker to the community café to spend time chatting and sharing their baking with people in our community. The children were amazing representatives of our school. This has been a valuable time for both the children and the members of our community who came specially to see them.

In English we have been learning about speech punctuation and paragraphs. The children have also made a plan for the beginning of a story about the Mayflower.

Attendance

Walnut – 96.6%
Oak - 90.7%
Beech - 93%
Willow - 100%
Elm - 99.2%
Chestnut - 92.6%

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

Reflections on the week

During our worship assembly we thought about peace. How can we be peacemakers in our school? Tia is a shining example of someone in our class who can keep the peace and settle differences. She talks calmly and gently to her friends and shows compassion. This is such an important skill that she will be able to take with her into her adult life.

The Week ahead

Next week, we will be finishing our best versions of the story of the Mayflower and we will move on to an art project which will result in them producing a high quality piece of art based on the Mayflower that can be part of an exhibition later this year.




Trust news

Please remember that the car park should not be walked through- please remain on the pavement, not cutting through, as this poses a risk. On another note, many of you will have seen Katie Metherell around the school. Katie is our Trust Human Resources Officer and has quickly become a well-known member of our staff across the school. Her role includes attracting the very best staff from across the Trust and other schools, helping to make St John's the best and most exciting place to come to teach.