

Acorn News...

Friday 28th January 2022



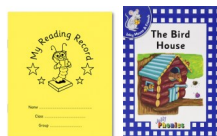
Any issues, concerns or things we need to know about, please speak to the Acorn team before or after school or email: acorn@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

Dates for your diary....

- Friday 11th February—Term 3 ends
- Monday 21st February—Term 4 begins

Reading Books

Please ensure your child's reading book is in school EVERYDAY. We aim to hear all children read at least once a week and this is very difficult if books are not in school.



Home Learning

In Maths, we have been practising our number bonds to 5. Using a plate and up to 5 objects, ask your child to arrange the objects in different ways. For example, 3 on the plate and 2 not on the plate. 3 and 2 make 5. You can try it with other numbers—1, 2, 3, 4.



half term we will move on to 'phase 3'. We also learnt the tricky word 'go'. We have been reading short sentences with two or three words in and have been practising to write cvc words and short sentences. In Maths, we have been looking at our number bonds to 5 and the smaller numbers that make up a larger number. We initially did this by cutting up Numberblocks in different ways and relating them to cubes. We have also used numicon to demonstrate our understanding of the ways numbers can be made up.

In PE, we practised yoga. We learnt how to get the mats out and followed different movements on them. In RE, to continue our learning about things that are precious, Father John came to visit us, he conducted a baptism for one of our dolls. We learnt that babies are baptised because this is what Jesus wanted to happen, it is a way of welcoming them to the world and showing how special they are. Well done to Juan, our star of the week, for always demonstrating our school values.

Remember....

- PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays—please ensure ear-rings are removed and long hair is tied back.
- Reading books are changed on a Tuesday and Friday—if your child has read at least twice.
- Library day is every Thursday—your child is able to change their book if they have returned the previous one.

Dojo Points

We have set up a new reward system in Acorn class called class dojo. The children are able to win points based on their behaviour for learning (and occasionally lose points). The child(ren) who wins the most points each day will win a prize and get a certificate.

I forgot to say last week, a big thank you to Mr Mackinnon for building us a water wall and mud kitchen for outside area, the children have had lots of fun using it this week. We have talked about ways that we can use the equipment and certain rules for the areas, for example, wearing aprons and wellies. In Phonics, we learnt the sounds ff (as in puff), ll (as in shell) and ss (as in kiss) which brings us to the end of our 'phase 2' sounds, after

