



# Acorn News...

Friday 14th October 2022

Any issues, concerns or things we need to know about, please speak to the Acorn team before or after school or

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## Remember....

- PE days are Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday
- Library day is Thursday

## Dates for your diary.....

- Tuesday 18th October— Storyteller visit
- Wednesday 19th October—Family Breakfast
- Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th October— Parent Consultations
- Friday 21st October—Term 1 ends
- Tuesday 1st November—Trip to the park with Year 6

## Library

We will visit the library every Thursday and your child will be able to take home a new book if they have returned the previous

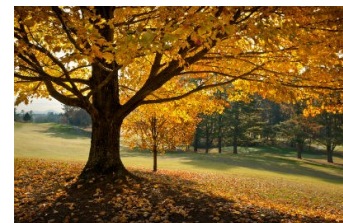
## Special Helper

We introduced 'special helper' this week. Each day we choose a different child to be the special helper based on something fantastic they did the day before. This week's special helpers were: Evie-Mae, Nina, Kynia, Luca



## Home Learning

Please take your child on a walk and look for signs of autumn, you may wish to use the checklist (attached). Discuss what changes are happening and how animals might be getting ready for winter. Remember to take a bag with you so you can bring any leaves, sticks, conkers, pine cones and acorns that you find into school!



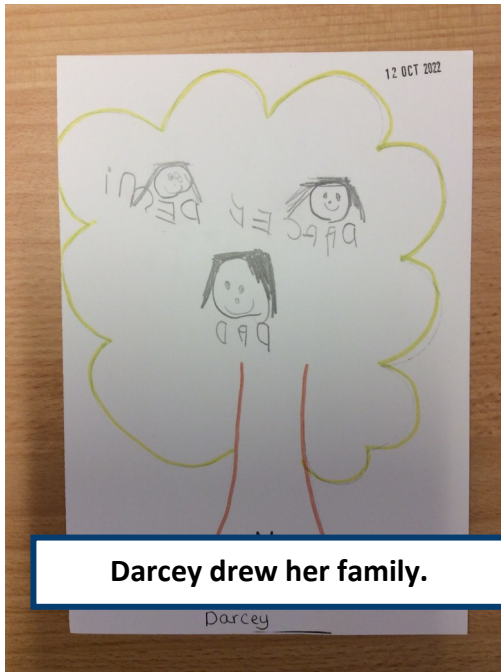
We have had another great week of learning in Acorn class! In Phonics, we have continued playing listening games and our main focus has been on segmenting words and hearing initial sounds. In Maths, we have been looking at groups of objects to decide which has 'more' and which has 'fewer'. We also read the story 'A Squash and a Squeeze' by Julia Donaldson about a lady who thought her house was too small, she moved all her animals in and realised her house was just the right size for one person. We discussed why the story was named 'a squash and a squeeze'. We then read the story 'Dear Zoo' by Rod Campbell and enjoyed guessing what was in each box. Miss Traviss then challenged us to find items in the classroom that fitted into a variety of different sized boxes. We went to Harvest Mass on Monday and the children sat beautifully in church. We learnt that harvest is a time to say thank you to God for all the food that we are able to have. Thank you to all those families who were able to donate food items. We read the story 'The Family Book' by Todd Parr and shared photos of our families and discussed why they were the same or different. Some children also drew their own family trees. Miss Burkinshaw has begun teaching us Makaton signs, we have learnt sorry, please and thank you this week. Please ask your child if they remember these signs.



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Here are some photos of our learning this week...



Darcey drew her family.



Ivy was the old lady when we acted out 'A Squash and a Squeeze'.



Christian said the fidget spinner was 'shiny'.



The children made a rocket.



Esme fitted in one of our boxes!

We would love to see or hear about the learning your child has been doing at home. The children love to share with their friends what they have been doing. Please email [acorn@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk](mailto:acorn@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk) any photos or comments about what your child has been doing!