



Acorn News...

Friday 28th April 2023

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.....

- Monday 1st May—Mayday Bank Holiday
- Monday 8th May—King's Coronation Bank Holiday
- Friday 26th May—End of Term 5

Welcome Wednesdays—our classroom is open for you to visit and read with your child between 8.30am and 9am

Remember....

- PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Library day is now **Wednesday**
- We will change reading books on a Tuesday and a Friday if your child has read their book at least twice.

Please keep reading with your children at home. It really will make a difference!

If your child reads at least 3 times in a week they will be entered into a draw to win a prize at the end of term



This week's special helpers were:

Diksha, Luca, Nin and Khloe



Happy Friday.

We have had a wonderful week this week with a trip to the fire station. We were shown all around the fire truck and were all allowed to sit in it and look through the heat detecting camera. We even got to see them in action as they were called to a fire in the middle of our visit! In the time it took us to go to the yard and line up they had got changed and had left! Luckily Ian, the station manager stayed and Mrs Tompsett got to dress up in a full fire fighters kit. It was very hot and heavy.

In phonics we have learnt 2 trigraphs; 'air' and 'ure'. We have done scavenger hunts looking for words to read and lots of writing.

In maths we have learnt about 'less than', how to make 10 in different ways and started learning about 3D shapes.

This weeks star of the week is Charlotte—for an amazing job in phonics.

Our trip to the fire station...

We really enjoyed it



Flo telling us all about the truck



We got to sit in it too





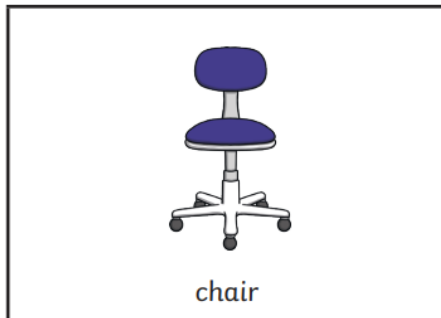
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Our phonics scheme at St Barnabas is Twinkl Phonics. This week we have learnt two trigraphs (three letters that make one sound) 'air' and 'ure'. We have spent two days on each sound, one with a reading focus and one with a writing focus. We have lots of sounds now and so this is enabling us to write bigger words and longer phrases.

air.

Picture



chair

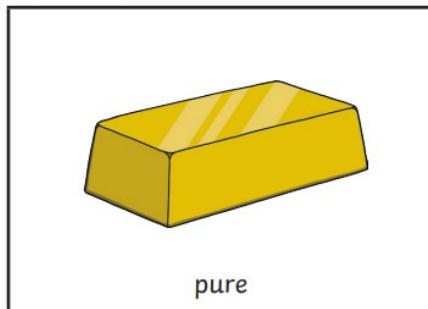
Action



Hold a chair, move it in and out from a desk.

ure.

Picture



pure

Action



Swing your arm like a pirate.

Can your child read these words?

air



fair



hair



lair



pair



chair



pure



cure



lure



secure



manure



Tricky words: you, my, was



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Home Learning

Please focus on the sounds 'air' and 'ure'. We would like to focus on both reading and writing these words.

Can you spot any of the yellow fire hydrant signs that they showed us at the fire station? How many can you see when you are out and about. We counted 6 on our way back to school.

They look like this...I wonder what numbers you can spot on them.



Maths Challenge.

What 3D shapes can you spot in your house and on your way to school? Here are the names and some pictures to help you.



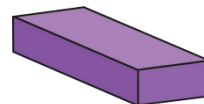
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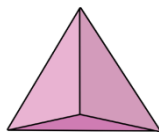
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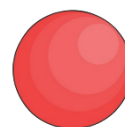
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