



# Acorn News...

Friday 26th May 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](mailto:acorn@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk)

## Dates for your diary.....

- Friday 26th May—End of Term 5
- Monday 5th June—Inset day
- Tuesday 6th June—Start of Term 6

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

This week's special helpers were:

Millie, Ivy, Robert



## Remember....

- PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays.
- 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



Happy Friday, it's the end of another term and it feels like it has flown by! In phonics this week we have continued our review of our level 3 sounds. We are almost finished with level 3 and will soon be moving on to level 4 where the children are given opportunities to apply and practice their existing knowledge in a wider range of contexts. In maths we have moved on to subtraction. The children did amazingly at addition and have picked it up so quickly. For subtraction we have been tell first, then and now stories as well as using sweets as a visual (and tempting) aid to represent taking away. After half term we will no longer going to the library so we ask that you please return all school library books by Friday 9th June.

Star of the week this week is Jasper—for choosing to come to drawing club and working so hard!

## Our learning this week...

**We told subtraction number stories.**



**We loved painting and made boats**



**The we tested the boats**





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## Home Learning

Please read with your child at least twice a week. Regular reading really does make all the difference to the children's confidence.

Why not try out this word building game.

Simply click the link and put in the code underneath the link. This is a review of all the level 3 sounds and allows you to build words using the sounds we have learnt.

[Twinkl Go](#)

Access code: **KT8973**

## Maths Challenge.

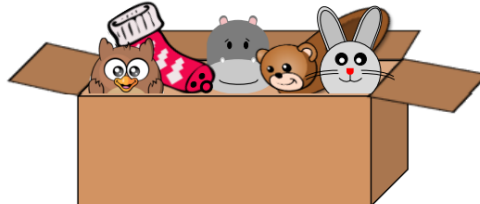
We have been telling first, then and now stories to help with our subtraction. They go a little like this;

First there were 4 people on the bus, then 2 got off, now there are 2 people on the bus.

You could do this with toys at home. The story doesn't need to be written down, just told verbally.

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Gather together some toys and a box.  
Create your own first, then, now stories as different toys  
fall out of the toybox.



How many toys were in the toybox first?  
Then how many fell out?  
How many are left now?