

# Courtenay Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021

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# **Home Learning**



Share a story together and draw a picture to show me your favourite part!

## Stars of the week!



This week my star of the week is **Lewis** for his fantastic writing this week!

My Values star is **Keira** because I know I can **trust** her to always try her best!

#### Reading award!

**Everyone** is my reading star of the week for being excited to share stories together!

## PE superstars

This week's PE superstars are **Keziah** and **Freddie G** for your fantastic gymnastic work! Dear Parents and carers,

I am so proud of how all the children have adapted to being back in a bubble this week! We have been busy consolidating and continuing our learning.

As readers, we have shared stories in partners before deciding if we would recommend them to a friend. The ones we really enjoyed we then shared with everyone in the class! It was wonderful to see the children enjoying a range of stories and discussing them together. It would be lovely if you could find time to share a story with each other!

In R.E, we have continued our Judaism learning and used the story of Jonah and the Whale to support our understanding. Jewish people empty out their pockets to symbolise casting away their sins. We explored this by writing down a time that we have had to apologise and putting it in water to wash away.

Next week we are starting our RHE learning around Families and Friendships. Please see the parent information sheet at the bottom of our newsletter for the key learning and vocabulary.

This week's 'Words of the day' are:



shed, genius, hitch, seize,

#### retaliate.

The children have enjoyed learning a new word every day. We will continue with this short but fun activity daily and throughout the year. Remember, you can always write down new words in your reading logs so that you can refer to them in your writing.

Have a restful weekend, Miss Massey



#### A note from Mrs Secker

Well, what a busy and challenging week for all. We have seen an outbreak of COVID throughout the school and we also had a burst water main!! Throughout all of this the children have continued to be incredible. They have accepted the return to bubbles and supported their teachers and teaching assistants to make sure learning still happens. Thank you also to you, as parents for helping us to follow much stricter guidelines and for the supportive words and friendly smiles on the gate.

Teachers are working harder than ever to ensure that children still get the best possible teaching and learning at the same time as managing cleaning, handwashing, dishing out the dinners and covering for staff absences due to COVID. However they are still smiling and starting to plan another 'virtual Christmas' at ASM. The Christmas tree is ready to decorate and the sound of singing can be heard ringing through the school. We promise to do all we can to make Christmas as fun and festive as possible.
Please continue to look after yourselves and each other.  Thank you so much for your ongoing support.
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