

# 'The Future we Create Everyday'

## St Michael's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 4th January 2022



ST MICHAEL'S  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

### HOME LEARNING

In class, we share stories to develop our love of reading all the time. During our story times, the children are brilliant at sharing their ideas and opinions about the story. We have talked a lot about books that we enjoy and thought about the reasons why we have enjoyed them.

This week to support our learning in school we would like the children to think about a book they would recommend to a friend.

Have you shared a new book recently that you really enjoyed and you think your friend would too?

Can you share a picture your book recommendation on Tapestry and we will share them in class next week.

Dear Parents & Carers

This week has been Storytelling week and what a wonderful week we have had. The children have been immersed in the story 'The Suitcase' by Chris Naylor – Ballesteros. A powerful story about trust, and new beginnings. When a weary stranger arrives one day, with only a suitcase, everyone is full of questions.

Why is he here? Where has he come from? And just what is in that suitcase?

Following this, a mysterious suitcase arrived in class! The children have enjoyed sharing ideas about what could be hidden inside. All will soon be revealed!

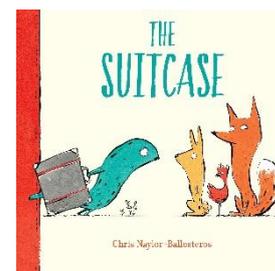
In Maths this week we have been exploring weight. We all had a go at lifting the suitcase that arrived and realised it was really *heavy*. We have explored different wrapped parcels and compared their weight using balances. We challenged the idea that all big objects are *heavier* and all small objects are *lighter* and ordered objects by their weight.

In RE we have continued to think about how we are special. We shared some of the beautiful home learning on Tapestry and talked about the different ways we are all so very special. We talked about how we are all special to God and watched a video of baby Jamie being welcomed into the church family through Baptism.

Finally, thank you so much for all of your lovely stories shared online. We have loved sharing the children's stories in class

Have a wonderful weekend,

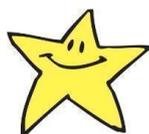
Mrs Edwards and Mrs Grant



### Our Vision & Values

We have thought about our value of **community** and being part of the local community when Father Neil Knox came to visit, and he talked about his role in the community. Father Neil talked to us about Paignton parish churches and we asked him questions to find out more about him. We are thankful to have him as part of our school family.

Star of the  
Week



Important



This week we celebrate  
**Kaitlyn**

We are all so proud of Kaitlyn and the immense effort she has put into reading this week!

**Thank you for your support after the news about the delay to the building work on our new school build. It has been wonderful to have the support of our school family and to know that we are on this journey together.**

Together we empower excellence

