

# Classroom News



Class Name: Totnes

Term: Autumn 1

2019

## What we have been learning this term:

We have had a busy first term!

In English we have been reading *The Firework-Maker's Daughter* by Philip Pullman. It is about a girl called Lila who goes on an adventure to try and become a firework-maker. We have been writing letters in character as Lila, writing instructions and comparing pirates in our story with 'real' pirates.

In Maths we have been learning all about numbers! We have been adding, taking away, dividing and multiplying.

We are all enjoying our Guided Options (GO) afternoon. Two groups go to Post 16 for art and music. In art, we are modelling using clay and in music we are singing a song about a fox. Whilst some of us are at P16, at main site we are either quizzing, going to a local care home, taking photos or playing sports. At the care home, we have made pizzas and created artwork.

In Music with Charles we are creating music using a computer program on the iPads called Beep Box. We have also looked at lots of brass instruments and are learning what they sound like and how they are played. We have listened to music from films and thought about the impact they have on us and how they fit in to the film.

In cooking we have been learning how to help ourselves to make healthier food choices by learning about the traffic light system on food packaging. We have also been cutting vegetables and learning how to cook them in different ways (raw, boiled, steamed, fried and roasted). We even baked a carrot and a courgette cake!

## Some photos of our learning:



## Dates & Points to remember:

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – First day back of term 2
- **Term 2: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November – School Photographs
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Into the Film Festival – Vue Cinema
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need (non-uniform)
- **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Staff Training – No School**
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre 4.30-6.30pm
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Secondary Christmas Performance 1.15pm
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day, Church Service and Christmas Dinner
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Last day term 2
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – Staff training – No school**
- **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – First day back of term 3**