

# St Faithian

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St Faith's  
PREP SCHOOL

## Nature and Nurture in the Nursery

One of the activities children in the Turtle room really enjoy is to explore movement with ribbons to music. One of their favourite songs is from the classic 'Monkey Puzzle' story by Julia Donaldson. Warmed up and inspired, nursery children continue to explore the RSPB Big Schools Birdwatch where the children have enjoyed learning and discussing the names and colours of different birds and the food that they eat. The children in the images are exploring a variety of birds through a sticking activity! They are really interested in this topic and it has been great to see them learning new words such as murmuration and particular features of birds that help them to recognise what type of bird they are. Ask them how they would recognise a Robin.



## Art in Nature



Not all home learning lessons are indoors. This week the creative Year 2 have been making outfits from nature. Using things found in their home environment the children designed and made outfits. There were lots of creations ranging from the latest fashion ideas to a full-sized knight's outfit. Amazing Year 2.



## Exploring the great outdoors!

There are some traditions in this country that are as true today as they were when our Headmaster was a little boy. Playing out in the fresh air and exploring nature was always a top pastime back in the early 60s when children used to run home from school, change clothes and go straight back outside to investigate the great outdoors. The environment was a great big playground where our minds and bodies were being fed with the happiness of childhood. How lucky then are we to continue this tradition and have at our disposal our wonderful Nature Garden. Space to run and explore, bug houses to investigate, an outdoor classroom to use, the pond in winter to notice changes and the feeling of well-being in a safe environment.

For those of you at home, there is a wealth of nature in your own garden; parks you can explore during your daily or weekend walk. Why not take some photos... early morning frosts, snowfall, sunrises, sunsets and wildlife in the garden. If you do get snappy, we'd love to see your photos, please send them in.



## Head's Corner

There is a very real buzz abounding about the online learning at the moment and I have been thrilled with the amount of positive feedback we've had from the parent body. This has been a super morale boosting experience for the staff who are deserving and in need of some praise for their gargantuan efforts. Well done to you parents to, who have to juggle work, managing your children as well as keeping the house in order. A tremendous team and community effort all round!



## STAR OF THE WEEK

RB	Harrison Tomkies	For his enthusiastic approach and always being happy
RR	Matilda Hill	For working hard and always being happy
1CM	Tilly Howell	For making an exceptional start to life at St Faith's
2H	Tommy Ridings	For a positive attitude to his learning at home
2L	Eshan Pal	For his outstanding DT project
3B	Francesca Savin	For making sure her work is challenging and progressing
3P	Imogen Norman	For her conscientious approach to all aspects of school life
4A	Cleo Parkinson	For marvellous Maths work
4R	Freddie Heffer	For fantastic fables work
5A	Daniel Mathew	For working efficiently and with maturity
5M	Sofia Cresswell	For continuing to be Sofia & being so amazing.
6J	Krishna Patel	For outstanding work and fantastic effort in Maths & English
6W	Helena Overy	For an outstanding attitude to work and some particularly fabulous Maths

### STAR AWARDS BRONZE (100+)

Fred Giles, Tommy Ridings, James Payne,  
Charlie Vine, Francesca Savin, William Lee,  
Roy Benayahu, Connie Reppin, April Snow,  
Zara Van Ritbergen, Eva Wyon,  
Oliver Corcoran, Harry Ford, Helena Overy,  
Nate Page-Phillips, Flynn Marsh

### Lockdown Gallery



#### Bunny News!

Rafi & Lily are really enjoying their stay with the Amos family. As you can see they really love the underfloor heating...who wouldn't!

### READING AWARDS

Sophia Holden completed the Christmas Reading challenge

James Gadsden completed his reading shelf

#### Word Millionaires

Cleo Parkinson, Martha Bartlett

### MUSIC STAR OF THE WEEK

April Snow for the hard work she has put into her online Music learning this week



### BIRTHDAYS

Kell Sanders, Ella Dibb-Fuller,  
George Horn, Braydon Ingram,  
James Payne, Catherine Payne

*Happy Birthday*