

**25th Jan**

**Dear CD children mums, dads and carers**

I hope you had a great weekend and were able to enjoy some time in the snow; Dex loved it! He chooses the biggest patches of snow he can find and then rolls around in it! It was really funny watching him slip and slide on patches of ice too; his four paw drive let him down a bit!

Well done for all of your brilliant home learning last week; your teachers and I are so impressed with everything you and the adults you live with are doing. Remember not to put too much pressure on yourselves; do as much as you can but don't stress it, it is really important you also make time to do other things.

**TT Rockstars**

This week's TT Rockstars battle is between Houses. You have all been brilliant at getting involved in these challenges so far, last week we had 80,000 correct answers. Who will be triumphant between Weaver, Dale, Dee and Mersey? The winning house will get 400 points towards the whole year House point competition with 300, 200 and 100 for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places.

**Birdwatch**

From this week we thought we'd introduce a whole school activity per week. As this week is Big Garden Birdwatch week we are challenging you to take part in this more information is on the attachment. Linked to this we are asking you to have fun doing some artwork. I will send details of this in a second email and you can do this at any time this week.

**Zooms**

Teachers have been sharing lots of the crazy things you are all doing during your class zoom sessions! We have even more fun and games to share so make sure you attend zooms as often as you can. From this week we will start to have a whole infant and then a whole junior zoom; these will take place on Thursday afternoons and you will receive a separate link.

**Keeping Safe**

CWAC Safeguarding Children in Education team and the Police are asking schools to alert parents to an app called Omegle. This app encourages strangers to meet virtually and to exchange images ~ clearly not something any of us want our children to be accessing. Please make sure you check your child's devices and reiterate how they should keep themselves safe online.

Have a brilliant week, try your best but also have as much fun as you possibly can. I look forward to hearing about all of the things you have done and seeing all of your art work in a few days' time.

Best wishes  
Adam Croft

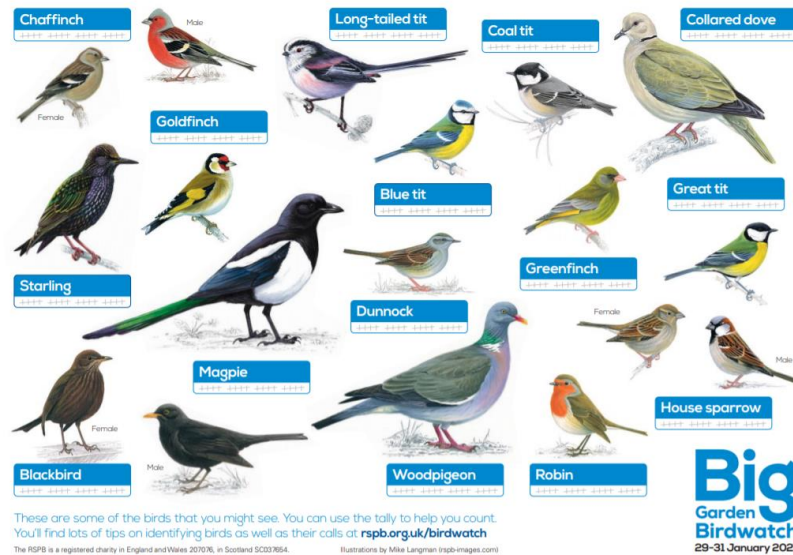
Charles Darwin Primary School Whole School Reading Challenges

Week b/g  
25<sup>th</sup> January

This is the start of the Big Garden Birdwatch week

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/everything-you-need-to-know-about-big-garden-birdwatch/>

Your challenge is to take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch



Here are some of the birds you might see.

If you don't know the name of the bird you can use this easy guide to find out

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/>

Then use this guide to read about the birds you see

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/bird-a-z/>

On one of your zoom calls next week you will be able to tell your teacher about the birds in your garden