



Our core Christian Values: *Trust, Friendship, Creativity, Courage, Respect, Compassion*

Headteacher's Message

As we come to the end of Term 5 I would once again like to say a big 'Thank you!' to everyone in our school community for their amazing efforts during these strange and sometimes difficult times. Children have all given 100% in their attempts to continue to produce work of their best possible standard, with some amazing and very creative results. Parents and carers have worked relentlessly to support their children at home and staff have gone over and above expectations to set work accessible to all children, whilst ensuring it is both challenging and enjoyable. Well done and thank you to everyone.

You should have received my lengthy letter which was sent out earlier this week detailing the return to school arrangements for key year groups, as identified by the government. Teachers will be uploading a video to Seesaw for each of the year groups returning to school to help to explain the arrangements. The videos will also be uploaded to the class webpage. The letter and return to school risk assessment document can be found on our school website ([Here](#)). Parents/carers of children in Reception, Years 1 and 6 and 3 & 4 year olds in Acorns Nursery have also been sent a form via Ping to respond to informing us as to whether your child will be returning on Monday 1st June. It is vital to our planning for return that you respond to this.

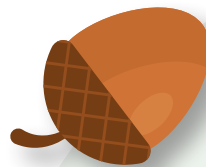
Please **do not** turn up with your child on 1st June if we have not received a response confirming they will be attending - **we will be unable to allow them into school**. We will require at least a week's notice to admit additional children to school, which will be subject to risk assessments and capacity. This is due to the planning and risk assessments already in place to ensure social distancing is adhered to. Can I also remind you that if your child returns to school on 1st June into YR,1 or 6, the expectation is that they attend **every day**.

Please remember that next week is half term and **school will be closed to all children**. There will be **no home learning** next week either. As detailed in my letter, the arrangements for home learning will be different after half term. Please check Seesaw for updates from your child's class teacher regarding any new arrangements.

I hope that everyone is keeping well. Have a relaxing half term and enjoy the sunshine, remembering to stay safe. I look forward to welcoming some of you back to school on 1st June.

Keep safe and keep in touch.

Mrs Parsons



Acorn Class

Class News:

Acorns have been busy this week! There have been lots of crafts, messy activities and playing in the sunshine outside. I have enjoyed receiving all your pictures of the lovely things you have been getting up to. I would like to say a big well done to Levi who has learnt to ride his bike without stabilisers - you are a super star! Finally, congratulations to Blake who has become a big brother this week.

Conker Class

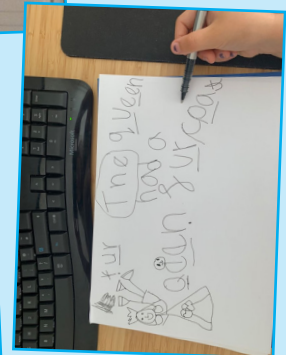
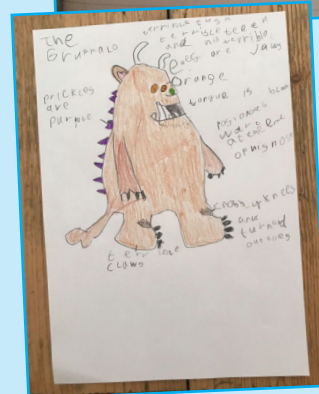
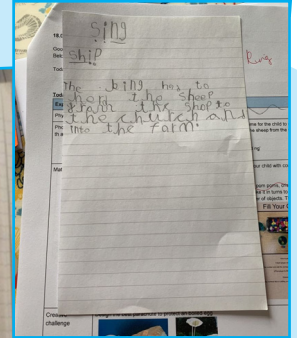
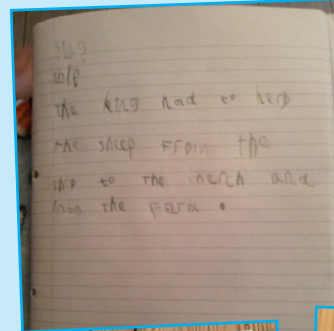
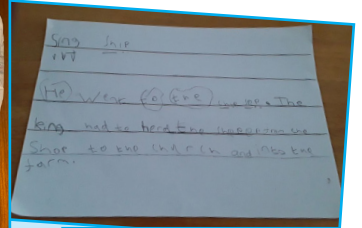
Class News:

This week we have been looking at 'The Gruffalo'. Conker Class has been working really hard this week writing party invitations to the Gruffalo's friends and labelling the Gruffalo and his features using quotes from the story book. The children have been recording videos retelling the story, making some Gruffalo crumble and looking at the life cycles of woodland animals. Conkers have also been thinking about how brave the Little Brown Mouse was when walking through the woods on his own, remembering a time when they have had to be brave. This week I gave them the challenge of making a parachute which could hold a hard boiled egg. They had to create one which would ensure the egg was safe and when dropped from a height would stay protected. The videos and photos have been great to see.

I have been proud of so many children this week. Despite not being at school, I have noticed significant progress in their handwriting and their ability to write sentences independently. I have been blown away by the amount of time and effort they have spent when writing their phonic sentences. Well done, they should be so proud of themselves.

This term as a whole I have been amazed by the level of hard work each individual child has put into their home learning. The work I have seen on Seesaw has been of such a high standard. It is clear that each child has put in 100% effort, demonstrating to me their resilience despite this uncertain time. You have made me so proud! Thank you.

Miss Southwell



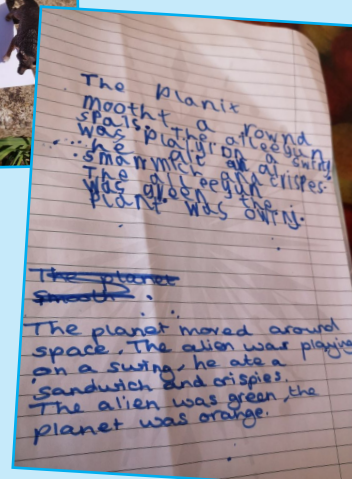
HT Award

Jessica R: Jessica has been awarded the Headteacher's Award for her significant progression with her writing. She shared with me a short story about an alien from space. It was clear that Jessica had spent time and care over her writing and her story structure. Alongside this, throughout this term, Jessica has shared with me her wonderful creations, using a variety of different textures and materials.



Christian Value Award

Compassion: Riley G. Riley found a slow worm in his garden and he became very curious about this small creature. Riley showed great care for this slow worm and was keen to investigate it further.



Chestnut Class

Class News:

To round off our African topic, Chestnut Class has looked at the story, 'Lila and the Secret of Rain'. The children have written postcards from Kenya and thought about their happiest memory. It has been so lovely reading everyone's favourite memories - lots were centered around family time and going on holiday. Most of the class have been working hard with their maths too, revising what we've previously learnt and coming up with some great number fact families. From our topic menu this week there has been some brilliant science work with animals being labelled and sorted into groups. I have also seen some fantastic safari parks being designed, if only they were real! There have been lots of great facts about the Maasai Mara and I've even been treated to some African drumming and dancing this week! There have also been some delicious looking Africa fruit surprises! On Wednesday, the class were set a final challenge for this term titled, 'Show what you know about Africa' -so far I've seen some wonderful animal posters with fantastic facts from Toby and Tobious, and Georgia has created her own African country with some amazing details! Many are continuing this project throughout the half term and I am excited to see what they come up with!

This term might be our last term of home learning as we know it, but I have been truly astounded by the fantastic effort the children (and the adults who help them) have been putting in. Their resilience, creativity and passion for learning has been second to none. I cannot believe how much progress the children have been making, particularly with their reading. There hasn't been a single day go by where the children's lovely comments or outstanding work hasn't put a smile on my face- I've been beaming from ear to ear! Chestnut Class, whether we are near or far we really are one big team and you are all AMAZING! Well done for another fantastic term!

Mrs Roberts

HT Award



This week's award goes to two members of Chestnut Class. Firstly, **Leo** for never giving up, working hard and trying his best the whole time! **Leo** has also been incredibly compassionate, checking in on the adults of Chestnut Class to see how we are doing. Secondly to **Sophie**, who without fail ensures she gets all of her home learning completed and to a high standard, Sophie has also created some fantastic practical maths videos.

Well done to both **Leo** and **Sophie**, your attitude towards home learning is impressive, you should be very proud.



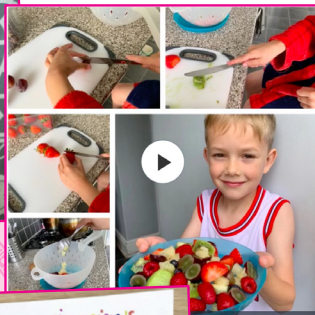
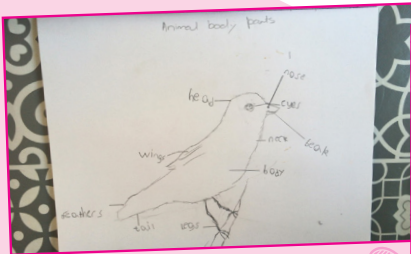
Christian Value Award



Compassion: Corey for his loving approach to being a new big brother! You are a perfect role model to the newest member of your family!

Compassion: Georgia for helping her mum build a polytunnel to grow their own vegetables!

Creativity: Isaac for always using his imagination to create fun games for himself and his brother Levi. This week they played pirates!



Cedar Class

Class News:

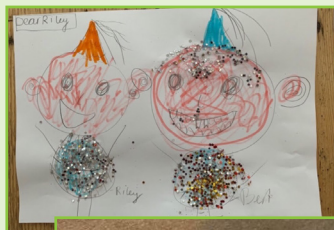
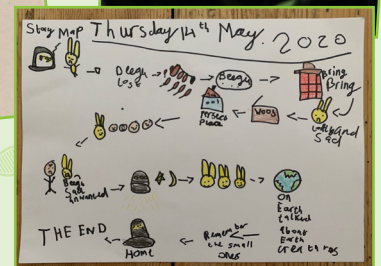
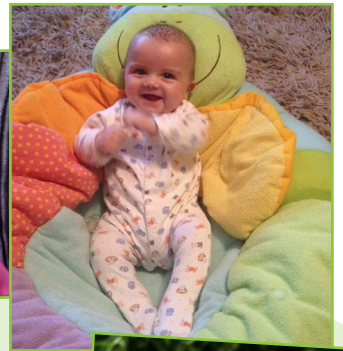
Continuing with our Beegu writing, Cedar Class has been preparing story maps. These have been used to retell Beegu's time on Earth in the style of a play script. The children made fantastic puppet shows and performed with them too!

Miss LeBrun dropped by this week to teach us some drawing skills. We learnt how to draw a rocket and a spaceship just like Beegu's.

We have also been exploring nature and the wonderful outdoors. I have received lots of lovely photos this week of welly walks, planting flowers, outdoor scavenger hunts and nature artwork. Have a look at Alfie-Lee's beautiful daffodil photo and Rebecca's leaf rubbings.

Last week's 'Guess The Baby' was..... Alfie-Lee! Can anyone guess who these baby faces belong to?

Miss Musgrove



Christian Value Award



Friendship: Ben for his picture to his friend Riley. It was very sparkly and was sure to put a smile on his face.

Creativity: Isabella for her 3D crafts which were a team effort with her younger brother.

Compassion: Emily for helping mum with their new four legged family member Ginny.

Courage: Alfie -Lee for learning to ride his bike! Such a great achievement.



HT Award

This week's Headteacher's Award goes to **Emily** who has worked very hard all term and not only with the set home learning activities. From completing written work with gorgeous handwriting, to making glittery boats, baking AND looking after her brand new puppy - what a busy bee!



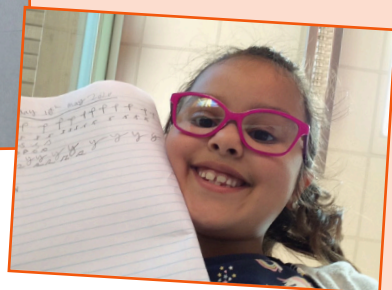
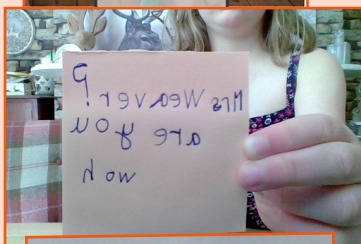
HT Award



This week, the Headteacher's Award goes to two fabulous young ladies - **Rhianydd** and **Isabella** who rehearsed and performed the Bare Necessities song beautifully. Their shining performances were worthy of a West End stage show and left me beaming with pride. Well done girls on such a perfect performance.



Josie's dance routine



Christian Value Award

Creativity: Rocco for demonstrating how to make the most delicious mocktail worthy of any French kitchen and sporting a dashing lockdown moustache.

Creativity: Tilly for creating a mocktail inspired by the Roly-Poly bird from The Twits (our guided reading text) complete with feather decorations.

Friendship: Lloyd for staying in touch with friends (at a safe distance) when out walking his dog.



Willow Class

Class News:

Willow Class is certainly ending Term 5 with a bang! The children have been rehearsing and performing the 'Bare Necessities' song, investigating reflection and sending me coded mirror messages to decipher. There has been fantastic research into fold, block and volcanic mountains too.

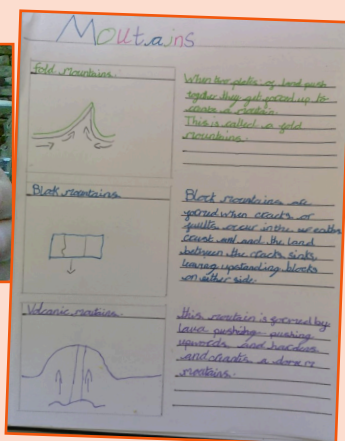
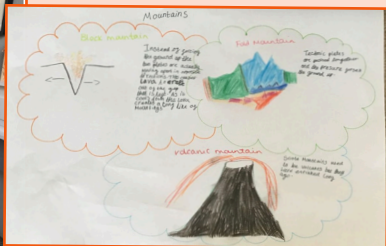
It has definitely been a sporty week with the class writing well-structured non-chronological reports on a sport of their choice as well as creating fitness routines to get me fit at home! It has been exhausting!

We've been practising how to say how old we are in French and the children have been working out how old Mrs Weaver said she was in her video...21 years young of course.

Finally, we've rounded off our exploration of Claude Monet with portraits of the famous artist and a short biography of the artist we've learnt so much about.

Willow Class - you are the best. Make sure you have a restful half term...You deserve it!

Mrs Weaver



Cherry Class

Class News:

Wow! What a week to round off Term 5. Year 4 have been working tirelessly once again this week to produce some fantastic work and to challenge themselves in their learning. This week has really been about celebrating what the children have learned over the course of this term. As well as daily Maths and Literacy, Cherry Class has been submitting some exceptional work for our learning projects within the foundation subjects. The children exhibited their new scientific knowledge about the human digestive system through impressive presentations and creative displays. In Geography, I received some wonderful news reports and "YouTube" videos comparing the USA and UK, with the children drawing on their knowledge gained over Term 5 through our Road Trip USA topic. On top of all of this, the children used their new knowledge to produce a delicious, nutritious, seasonal meal to close our Seasonal Food DT learning project. Every day this term, Cherry Class has kept me busy and smiling with their outstanding efforts, relentless high spirits and exceptional home learning submissions. Despite being apart for now, the children of Year 4 are working together to collectively prove how sedulous, resilient and spirited they really are. Cherry Class, you're a real credit to yourselves, your families and Trinity and should be beaming with pride at your superb efforts once again this term, well done. Enjoy your well-earned half term everyone!

Miss Treasure



HT Award



This week, the Headteacher's Award goes to two boys who have maintained an exceptional effort and attitude towards their home learning, despite facing challenges. Both of these students are consistently conscientious and hard-working as well as being kind and thoughtful to the people around them. This week, the award goes to **Noah H** and **Marcus** - well done boys, you're both superstars!



Christian Value Award

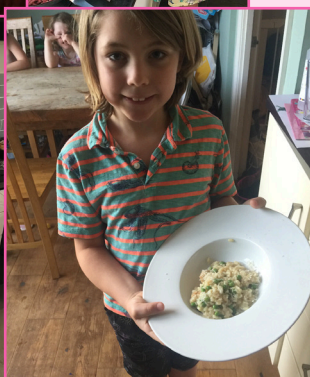


Compassion: **Marcus** for putting others first and caring for the people around him.

Compassion: **Aaron** for helping mum build a polytunnel to grow their own vegetables!

Courage: **the whole of Cherry Class** for remaining so positive and motivated through this unusual time.

Friendship: **Logan A, Liliana, Lila-Rose, Noah, Alysha, Noa, Toby, Bertie, Imogen, Aaron, Max, Mia, Evie and Dexter** for preparing/helping to prepare delicious dishes for their families to enjoy.



Maple Class

Class News:

Once again, the majority of Maple Class have demonstrated their strong work ethic!

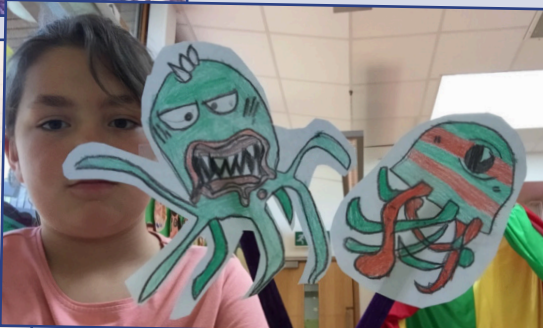
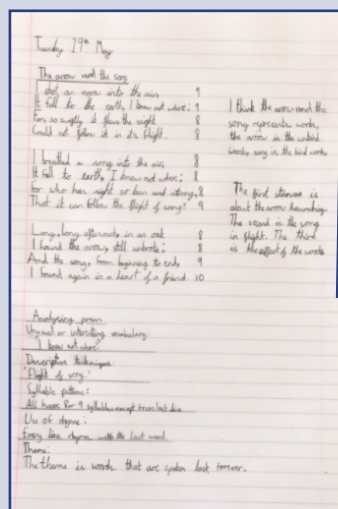
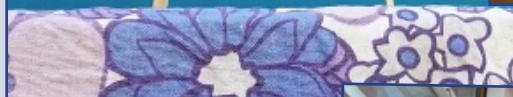
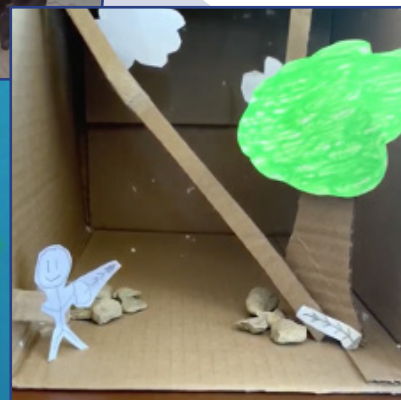
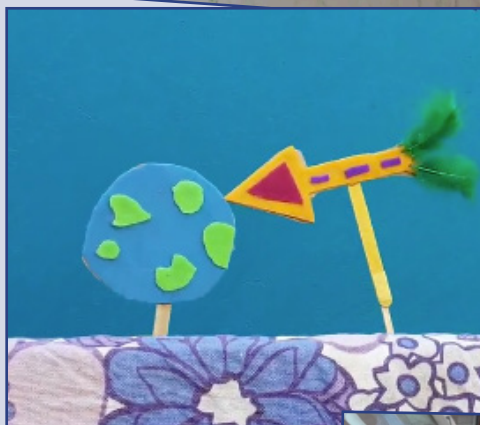
The children have been working hard in maths solving fraction problems. We have also exercised our ability to work flexibly with numbers during our retrieval activities and our reasoning has been focused on place value work.

Performing poems has been our English focus this week. The children have worked hard to analyse, plan and then perform a classic poem using puppetry. I have thoroughly enjoyed watching the puppetry performances so far and know that the residents of Gracewell will be thrilled to watch them.

Researching reptiles has continued our science exploration on the circle of life. The children have each picked a different reptile of their choice to research and present to the class via Seesaw.

A massive well done and thank you to all the children and parents this term; You have worked brilliantly and deserve a well earned rest. Stay safe and I hope to see you all soon.

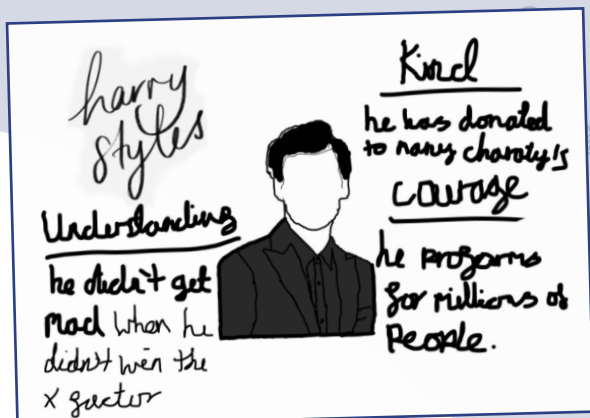
Mr Pollock



HT Award

Seb Hancock,

For incredible computer generated images used in his PSHE work.



Christian Value Award



Friendship

It was lovely to hear that **Shiloh** and **Kacie** have been speaking almost everyday and their friendship is helping them to feel more confident and positive. Well done and keep supporting each other.

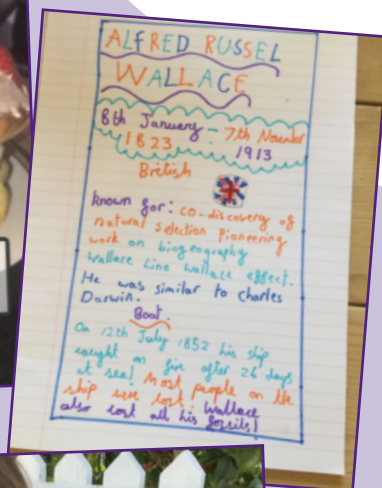
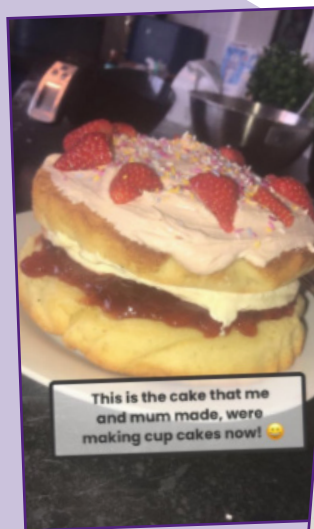
Redwood Class

Class News:

Well this may be the final week of home learning for Year 6 and they've smashed it again with their hard work. We've gone back to normal lessons having had some fun with Silly SATs last week. Redwood Class has now mastered the use of Century and are using it effectively for their science lessons. They have produced some creative art work for Mrs Clements based on the Holy Trinity. Well done to Kane and Lauren for their fantastic efforts with their reading; they've read 25 books between them! I know that some of the class have managed to produce some excellent quality work in difficult circumstances at home so well done.

I look forward to seeing many of you on our return to school on 1st June. In the meantime, have a great week off and stay safe.

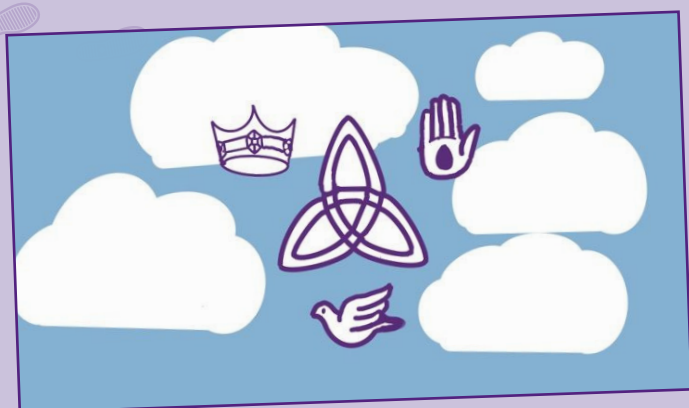
Mrs Jones



HT Award



Elliot for a stunning representation of The Holy Trinity generated on his iPad.



Christian Value Award

Courage: Theo for responding to my feedback from his Trinity Art project and has set himself a challenge to complete his work on a large scale using acrylic paints. I am really looking forward to seeing the finished piece.



Thought of the week

I heard a really interesting comment this week, 'We are all in this storm together but in different boats'.

Isn't this so true? As the virus continues throughout the world we are all trying to navigate our way, learning a 'new normal'. We all have a different story to tell from this lockdown period - we have faced different challenges and built individual memories. Over the past weeks, Mrs Parsons and the staff have been carefully planning for the gradual return to school on 1st June. This is not an easy task and has involved much thought, discussion and planning. We all have a part to play to make every effort to prevent the spread of the virus and keep safe. I thought about our Christian Value 'Trust' and wrote this acrostic to help us all remember the key facts as we return to school. Take time this half term to read and learn it to help you to remember. Let's also adopt the attitude of 'Be Kind' to everyone as we enter into this new phase.

Remember to visit our [Gracewell webpage](#). This week Maple Class will be sharing their puppetry performances.



Speech and Language resources



Here are some additional links related to speech and language therapy which may help some of the children:

<https://www.bathnes1bd.org.uk/pages/coronavirus-covid-19>

This link has recently been shared by my manager and we really recommend it as a resource. It contains links to other sites that may be useful to parents, including a section for parents of children with ASD and SEND.

For younger children with language difficulties:

<https://speechandlanguage.info/parents/activities>

For older or junior age children with language difficulties we have found these sites useful:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrqqtfr>

BBC Bitesize grammar and sentence structure activities.

<https://www.dogonews.com/> or <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround> for easy read and accessible news stories. Great for comprehension questions or discussion.

<https://www.funenglishgames.com/grammargames.html> Interactive games at different levels for working on different language targets e.g. conjunctions.

Trust

Thorough hand washing for 2 minutes

Remember to catch your coughs and sneezes in a tissue

Use your own things

Stay in your place

Tell others if they come too close.

We need to trust each other to follow these important rules to keep safe.

Remaining on the theme of boats, in the gospel of Mark chapter 8 the story is told of a storm at sea. The disciples were on the boat with Jesus, who was fast asleep. In their panic, they woke him saying 'Don't you care?'. The story concludes with Jesus commanding the storm to be still. Take comfort from this; God is with us in this storm and we can call upon him at any time with our fears. He might not stop the storm but he will give us the strength and courage to endure it knowing he is right by our side.



Free School Meals

If your financial situation has changed during the pandemic and you want to find out if you are entitled to receive free school meals, please contact B&NES directly:

Email freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk

They will need you to tell them your National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seeker Support Number and the claimant's Date of Birth when you email.

Here are some useful links:

Here are some useful links to books that may help children in the current situation:

Nosy Crow have produced a free picture book, Coronavirus. A Book for Children, explaining it in simple language appropriate to children. It is aimed at 5 - 9 year olds: https://nosycrowcoronavirus.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/Coronavirus_ABookForChildren.pdf

Anderson Press have created a free picture book, Staying Home where a family of energetic raccoons are going through a day in lockdown, no school, nursery or work - and explaining to the youngest members of the family how they're doing their part to save lives just by staying at home!

https://www.andersenpress.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/STAYING_HOME_medium-res.pdf

Oxford University Press have released a picture book Everybody Worries, to support parents and carers whose children are feeling worried or anxious about Coronavirus and the changes it's brought to their lives:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/everybody-worries>



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COVID-19

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If you can safely
get support from
family or friends,
or can order items
online, then please
continue to do so.

- 1** Delivery of urgent supplies
- 2** A friendly phone call
- 3** Collection of medication
- 4** Money matters and work
- 5** Mental wellbeing (including loneliness, low mood, anxiety)
- 6** Advice on keeping fit
- 7** Housing issues
- 8** Supporting your family
- 9** Food and cooking
- 10** Understanding public health advice

