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Friday 29th January 2021

Weekly Note from Mrs See...



Virtual Books at Bedtime - Thank you to everyone who joined us for our evening event this week. It was great to see so many of you there! Thank you also to our brilliant staff who gave up their time to support the event too. We hope you'll be able to join us for our next social event, on the last evening of this half term - Thursday 11th February - ***Virtual Family Quiz and Games Night***. Details to follow.

Review of Remote Learning - following the Prime Minister's most recent announcement, we now know that unfortunately we will still be working with remote, rather than face to face in school, learning until at least the 8th March. We have been really pleased with the engagement with our online learning so far and I am so grateful and impressed with all our staff who have risen to the challenge of working in this remote way so quickly and so effectively, no easy feat. However, to ensure we provide the best remote education we can, we would like to carry out a review of our provision and ask parents to help us with this by completing a questionnaire that we'll be sending out by email. We are keen to get the views of the children too and so next Tuesday at 2pm, Mrs Price will be holding a School Council meeting to do this. This meeting is open to all school children as we have no specific school council members yet. The link for the meeting will be on next week's School at Home plans, it is an optional meeting but it would be great to see as many of you as possible attend.

Wellbeing Wednesday - next week is national 'Children's Mental Health Week' and as part of this we will be extending our Wellbeing Wednesday activities to cover the whole day. Other schools are doing this too and having a full non-screen day. We would like to do similar and will be providing some alternative non-screen activities, however we would still like to be able to see all the children on the day as we're aware that for many, it is really important to have some daily contact with their teachers and friends. Therefore, we will be having a start of the day



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class meeting for everyone. The SAH plans will have all the details and links for this. More information about the national event and signposting for further support can be found here:
<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

RSPB Birdwatch - please don't forget to take part in the RSPB annual birdwatch which we'd normally do in school. All the details and how to take part are in the link below.
<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/>

Have a lovely weekend everyone!
Mrs See



INSET Day - please note the last day of this half term will be Thursday 11th February as staff will be on a staff training day on Friday 12th February. There will be no School at Home set for that day.

Fruit and Veg Snack - we are now receiving lots of fruit and veg from the DfE snack scheme again so you no longer need to send items in for snack time. Pre-School and any critical worker children will have an ample supply of fruit or veg snacks when they're in school.



Don't forget: we are also registered with easyfundraising and given that it is likely that more shopping will happen online, each of your online purchases could help raise money for the school. Please go to the [easyfundraising website](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/) for more information. Thank you!



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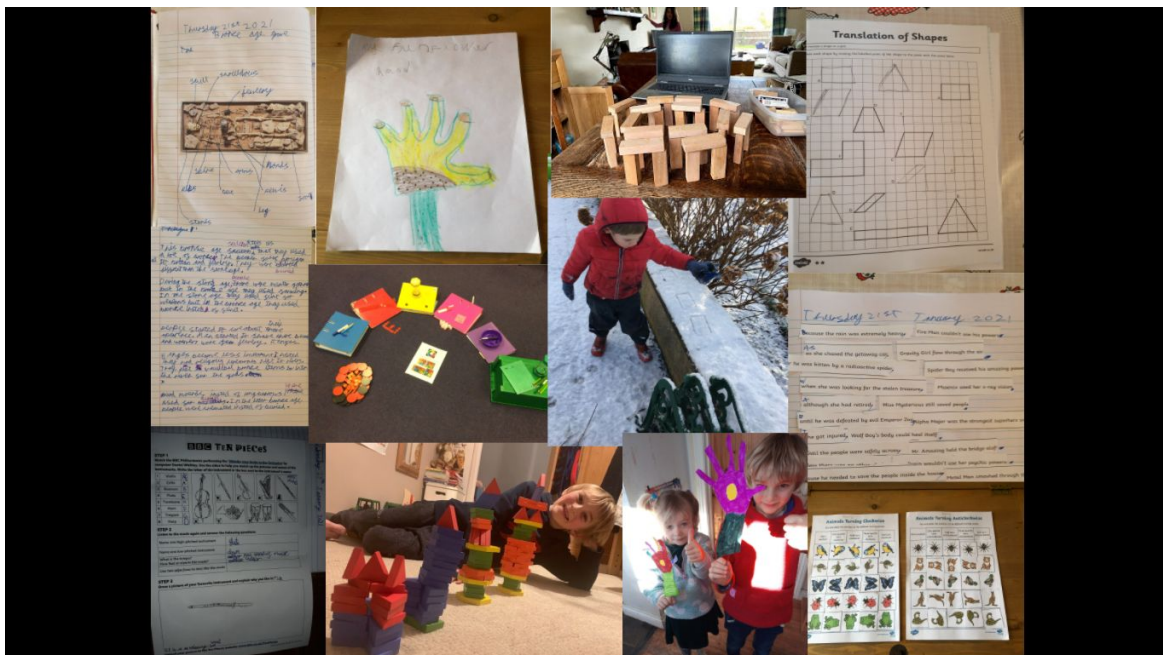
If you ever have a concern about a child, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs See

Or in the absence of Mrs See speak to our deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs Collett.

Celebration Awards for this week...

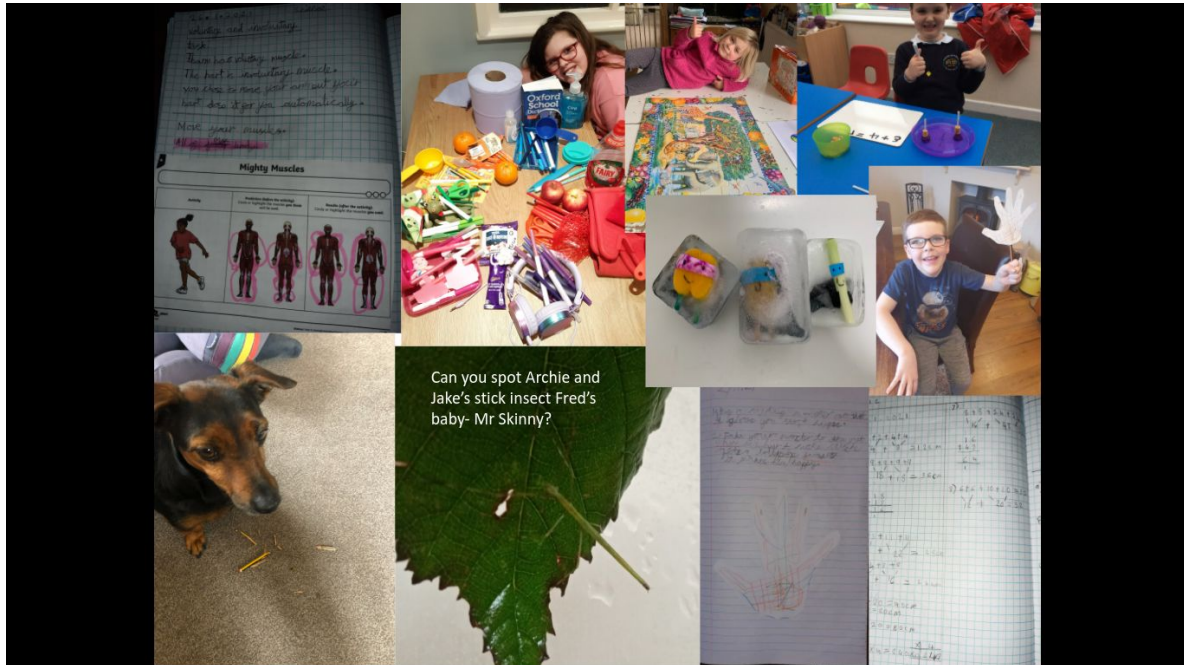
Well done to our superstars this week:

Please see below for our Gallery of super SAH work...





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Mrs Mary See

2020-21 Term Dates

SPRING TERM 2021

Monday 4th January - Children return for Spring Term 2021

(Friday 12th February - INSET DAY 5 (School closed for children))

SPRING HALF TERM - *Monday 15th - Friday 19th February*

Monday 22nd February - start of second half of Spring Term

Thursday 1st April - Last day of Spring Term

EASTER HOLIDAY - *Friday 2nd April - Friday 16th April*

SUMMER TERM 2021

Monday 19th April - Children return for Summer Term 2021

(Monday 3rd May - May Bank Holiday 2021)

SUMMER HALF TERM - *Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021*

Monday 7th June - start of second half of Summer Term

Friday 23rd July - Last day of Summer Term

SUMMER HOLIDAYS



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