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Keeping In Touch Newsletter 4

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Hi all,

We have been overwhelmed by the amount of photos we have been sent of your learning and extra curricular activities and we are really enjoying looking at them all. As a result of all the amazing photos, we have set up a gallery on the school website under 'Parents' 'Home Learning' 'Beaupre Gallery' to display as many as we can. The newsletter will now contain one photo from each class as a photo of the week.

The weather is finally turning warmer again for the weekend and I hope you enjoy some lovely sunshine in your gardens. Please remember it is Bank Holiday on Friday, so take a day off from work and home learning - you deserve it! New planning documents for next week will be available on the school website, as of Monday morning.

The Book of Hopes by the literacy Trust

Please see the following link for a selection of free stories to read and enjoy with your children https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/book-hopes/

Further home learning

We have added to the school website under 'Parent' 'Home Learning' some links if you require any further activities for home learning. These include:

Cambridge County Council have a webpage with ideas. <u>https://www.cambslearntogether.co.uk/home-learning</u> Premier Education - our PE and after school club provider.

Stay Active Home Learning Resources www.premier-education.com/stay-active

After School Home Learning Activity https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCLNV8D56t6RV0wbsPnbnYeA

(A new video is uploaded each day at 3.30pm, parents/children can access all the previous sessions by clicking through).

Social distancing - a message from Upwell Doctors Surgery

You may have seen last week on the local discussion forum page on Facebook a post from Dr Clarke at Upwell Health Centre, expressing how cases of COVID19 locally are on the increase. This is very worrying for us as a community, but does highlight the importance of social distancing and keeping ourselves and loved ones safe through this difficult time.

I hope you enjoy any VE day celebrations you are having - maybe make a cake and have a garden party!!

I have written a message to all the children. Please can you share this with your children.

Please look after yourselves, I miss you all. Mrs Munday

Please continue to share your learning with us

If you are happy for photographs to be shared on forthcoming newsletters, which will be available on the school website, in addition to the online gallery on the school website, please send them to your class teacher's e-mail address:

Rainbow - rainbow@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

Red - red@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

Blue - blue@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

Purple - purple@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

Green - green@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

Orange - orange@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

Yellow - yellow@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk

We continue to look forward to seeing all of your wonderful work!

A Message from Mrs Munday to all the Children

Hi all,

Every week the class teachers are writing messages to you and I want to send my own personal message to you all.

I know it is very strange for you all not being in school, although I know some of you (no names!!) are probably enjoying the freedom!

School is so quiet without you and I miss you all so very much. I miss your faces, laughs, smiles, hugs, the hustle and bustle of school life and I even miss the noise when you are getting ready for playtime! I miss those footsteps running down the corridor, especially the ones I recognise. I miss having to say how unlucky you are that I happened to be leaving my office at the same time as you were running!! I miss those children who pop their heads into my office just to say 'hi' and check that I am ok. I miss using my gold pen and, of course, my weekly hot chocolate and biscuits!

I continue to work every day. There seems to be more emails now: more than ever before. I have many 'Zoom' meetings and this has been a new experience for me - you know what my computer skills are like and there is no Miss Knight or Miss Brand to come and rescue me when it all goes wrong! I am managing to finish work earlier, closing the laptop by 6pm and spend more quality time with my family-talking and laughing. I've even managed to watch a few films and catch up on some box sets. I've helped build a pool in my garden for my husband to practise his love of outdoor swimming, as he is unable to go to the lakes or sea and has been missing the water. I haven't yet ventured in due to the water temperature - you know how I feel about the cold!

You are all doing an amazing job with the home learning and I get to hear from all the teachers on a regular basis how well you are doing. Please remember to help out around the house for your family and not to get too frustrated with the adults if they don't understand the home learning - remember they may be learning too!!

You are amazing children and it is wonderful to see so many of you enjoying so many more learning experiences outside of school, such as cooking, gardening, building dens, making models and spending fun times with your families. So many good things can come from this and you will remember some of these experiences and cherish them for many years to come.

I couldn't be more proud of you at this very moment. You continue to be a real credit to our school and you deserve a big 'thank you' from me and the staff for your hard work.

I can't wait to see you all again.

Mrs Munday.

Photos of the Week



In Rainbow Class, Lewis enjoyed listening to Mrs Eaves' story on YouTube.



In Red Class, Lily has been working hard with her maths work.



In Blue Class, Liam created a questionnaire to send to his neighbours who lived in Africa.



In Purple Class, Tyler has been busy making a Stone Age house in his garden.



In Green Class, Sophie has been busy making Egyptian sweet biscuits.



In Orange Class, Rebecca has been busy learning about space.



In Yellow Class, Marcie has been busy learning about the adaptations of Arabian Camels.

A Message for Rainbow Class

Dear Rainbows,

Another week has gone by and I've received some lovely work and pictures. Thank you for your huge effort and positive feedback regarding the new layout for the week's activities.

I hope you enjoyed the story I read to you and make sure you watch out for the one I am going to read to you on Monday.

I have been continuing to make our class 'Tricky Troll'. I now need to sew him together and make his trousers and back pack. Hopefully, he will be finished by the time we go back to school.

Mrs Connell and Mrs Maryon have asked me to tell you that they are missing you so much and can't wait to go back to school to see you.

Hi 5 from us all. Mrs Eaves

The Tricky Troll



A Message for Red Class

Hello Red Class,

I hope you are all well and continuing to keep busy at home. Hopefully, you have had a chance to work through some of the activities in the latest home learning pack. Please continue to send your photos to the class email, either of your completed tasks or of the other fun activities you have been doing at home. I have enjoyed seeing the photos sent to me this week. I have seen lots of fun outdoor activities including a treasure hunt and making a model hedgehog using natural materials. So far this week, I have only received photos from some of the girls in the class, so come on boys, don't let the side down! This week, I have been doing lots of weeding in my garden and also learning to cook some new recipes.

Don't forget to have a bit of a break this Friday and maybe do something nice to celebrate VE day. I will be making some scones to enjoy with jam and clotted cream!

I look forward to hearing from you soon,

Take care and stay at home, Miss Brand, Mrs Ward, Mrs Pepper

Hi Everyone!!

I am missing you all lots and miss seeing all of your smiley faces and hearing all about what you have been up to.

I hope you are all staying safe and well and are finding plenty of things to keep you occupied. I have seen some of the pictures that you have sent to red class and it looks like you are having fun with your learning at home. I'm looking forward to hearing all about it when we get back to school.

I have been spending a lot of time in my garden, planting lots of pretty flowers and I've been video calling my grandchildren lots too.

Enjoy your time with your family and stay safe. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

From Mrs Ward

A Message for Blue Class

Hello Blue Class,

We hope you are all well and enjoying yourselves. We have had lots of fantastic pictures of all the school work you are doing. Some of you have made some awesome African masks as well as finding out lots of interesting facts about African animals. There were also some great pictures showing us some of the other activities you have been doing with your families; some of you have been baking, some have been gardening, some have been helping to paint fences and some of you have been doing lots of crafts. We really love seeing what you have been up to, so remember to keep sending your pictures in.

Take care and stay safe,

Miss Carpenter, Miss Bagg, Mrs Raby, Mrs Shinn

A Message for Purple Class

Hi Purple Class,

I hope that you've had a chance to have a go at some of the new home learning packs sent to you this week and that you've been having fun doing various other bits and pieces. It's been nice to hear from some of you that you have been enjoying my YouTube maths lessons. I hope you're finding them helpful.

This week, when I haven't been doing my work for school, I have been busy doing a 1000 piece Disney jigsaw puzzle. It's very tricky because it is a round shaped puzzle. I'm about two-thirds of the way through it, so hopefully I'll be able to show you all a photo of it very soon when it is finished.

We both miss you all lots and hope that you and your families are well and keeping safe.

Take care of yourselves, Miss Knight and Mrs Titmarsh

A Message for Green Class

Hi Green Class,

Well, Mr Davies has passed on the honour of writing to you this week to me. It has been lovely seeing all of your hard work in our class e-mail, some great things going on. You have all certainly been very busy. It is a strange time for us all, isn't it? Even in my 126 years I have never been in a situation like this before. Mr S has been decorating bedrooms as well as working in the garden, got to keep him busy. I have enjoyed video calls with the grandchildren, but very much miss hugs as do we all.

You will be surprised to hear I started riding regularly at the start of our time working from home. I know - I am amazed too! On one of these rides I took the 3 youngest grandchildren with me, via video call, with my phone around my neck! Sadly, Bandit then became

quite poorly which meant I was unable to ride him (I am sure he did this on purpose to avoid the work!) Looking after him has taken quite a bit of time, but he is improving now which is good.

Dave has helped me to write this, as you can see by the photo here - such helpful animals.

Take care guys and stay safe Love Mrs Scott



A Message for Orange Class

Hello Orange Class

It's Ms Armiger checking you are all safe and well. Mrs Riley has shared all your lovely work and photos with myself and Mrs Fey. You have all produced some amazing pieces! I have been taking long walks along the river with my son. We even managed to walk to Outwell last week. I have been missing Mrs Heath's yummy cakes. I decided to have a go at baking myself, but as you all know I like to avoid the kitchen as much as possible. I am afraid they didn't turn out anywhere near as good as Mrs Heath's.

Please keep sharing you wonderful work and photographs. They are a joy to see.

Stay safe.

Ms Armiger, Mrs Riley and Mrs Fey

A Message for Yellow Class

Dear Yellow Class

I hope that you all continue to stay happy and healthy. I continue to miss you all very much. I hope that you are all getting on okay with your home learning and I look forward to receiving your entries for the VE day poetry competition and am excited to hear who the lucky winner will be - who will receive £25 for themselves and a further £25 for a charity of their choice! Remember, the closing date is by the end of Sunday 10th May and entries should be e-mailed to myself at <u>yellow@beaupre.cambs.sch.uk</u>. I hope that you are also able to enjoy participating in some of the VE day celebrations.

Next week, is a very poignant week for Yellow Class members, as it would have been our SATs week. I have suggested that next Friday afternoon (Friday 15th) we all relax and enjoy cake (which is how we would have celebrated in school). Please send me your photos of you celebrating all the hard work that you put into preparing for your SATs and the progress that you made (adults too).

I have had another good week and, as well as preparing your learning, have been participating in hobbies to keep me busy and enjoying time with my family – as you can see from the following photo.

Just to let you know that in last week's newsletter I talked about updating you on my hosting a quiz that had Year 6 questions for one of the rounds. Well, my niece who is in Year 6 scored full marks, but one of the teams, which consisted of teenagers and adults, only managed to get half of the questions correct!! I'm sure that all of you would have achieved full marks too.

I look forward to seeing you all again and in the meantime please stay safe.

Mrs Summers, Miss Bagg, Mrs Calver and Mrs Secker

Hello to each and every one of my fellow Yellows!

I hope that you are all well and are looking after yourselves and your families. I am genuinely missing each and every one of you for so many different reasons that I didn't expect to; usually when a year group moves on to their next adventure, I have a new set of faces to keep me on my toes, but right now I have a huge year-six-shaped hole in my life! I miss the eye rolls, I miss the shrugs, I miss the way that you try to keep a straight face

when it's really difficult to, I miss the way that you keep me up-to-date with the latest dance craze or phrases that I need to know, but most of all I miss seeing all of your unique personalities changing and growing week by week and I'm looking forward to seeing all of those things again as soon as we're allowed.

Since the school has been closed, I have celebrated a lockdown birthday where I was incredibly impressed by the creative gifts that my family were able to come up with, and it was brilliant not having to share the cake with many people!

If you feel like you need a 'pick-me-up', then find some time to 'give yourself a shakeup', it will be so much easier to be noisy without Mrs Munday and Mrs Summers holding a meeting in the room next door, so turn up the volume and get your families involved!





Take care, stay safe and I hope to see you all soon. Mrs Secker

A note from Miss Bagg

Hello Everyone,

I thought I better address it to you all, as I have been incredibly lucky this academic year to have been in each class to work with all of you. I miss you all terribly, especially teaching Blue Class on a Thursday and Yellow Class on a Friday. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading the school newsletter each week to see all of the lovely activities, work and creations you have been able to make. It looks like you are all in good spirits and enjoying the great weather we have been having.

I too have been keeping busy at home with completing school work from home and enjoying the sunshine with my family. Also, during this time I have been helping my father look after the beehives that we have. Hopefully, we will have lots of honey again this year, if the bees keep up the hard work and the good weather continues.

Look after yourselves and stay safe.

Miss Bagg

Ms Armiger's Fantastic Oat Cookies

Ms Armiger has been enjoying baking over the last few weeks and this is one of the recipes which she has enjoyed baking, so she thought she would share with you all. This is the recipe she uses to cook with Mrs Heath and knows some of you have made these in school with her.

Makes 20 cookies

Ingredients

- 125g porridge oats
- 125g butter/margarine

125g caster sugar

125g plain flour

pinch of bicarbonate of soda

10g baking powder

35g golden syrup



Method

- 1. Cream together the butter/margarine and caster sugar
- 2. Add the oats and remaining ingredients
- 3. Mix in golden syrup
- 4. Portion into small balls and place on a greased baking tray allowing room for them to spread
- 5. Bake in the oven at 180 degrees for 15-20 minutes

Mrs Taylor-Shaw's Hedgehog Street

Mrs Taylor-Shaw's family have made their back garden hedgehog friendly by making a hole in their fence, making a wildlife pond and building a hedgehog house. They have registered their garden on <u>www.hedgehogstreet.org</u>. They've not had any sightings yet, but are hoping to see some evidence of hedgehog visitors soon.



Bank Holiday Friday VE Day Celebrations.

This year, May bank holiday was changed to a Friday to celebrate VE day. It has been 75 years since the end of the Second World War.

Due to us not being able to celebrate as a school together, we hope that you will join in celebrating at home, perhaps with a small garden party.

Although school is closed we wanted to join in with the community to celebrate this important historical event. Therefore we have added some bunting to the school—look out for it if you are out for your daily exercise.





Parent/Carer support line

We offer an opportunity to speak to a friendly professional from the Early Help District Children's Team about any child or young person aged 0 to 19.

- You can ask a question, request support about your child's or young person's behaviours, get help with new routines and boundaries, or maybe just talk about how you are managing parenting in the current situation.
- We will give you advice, support, and help with signposting or just listen to your parenting experiences.

You can telephone or email for support any time, please leave a message with your contact details, someone will call you back (on a Tuesday or Thursday)

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