

This week's merit certificates are awarded to;

Mrs Kilius-Smith

For surviving her first (strange) week back after maternity leave.



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School is now open to all key worker children and children in Pre-School, reception, year 1 and year 6



Birthdays

Happy birthday to Ellie who had her birthday earlier this week.

Weekly Challenge Number 8

Having Fun - Activities and Games

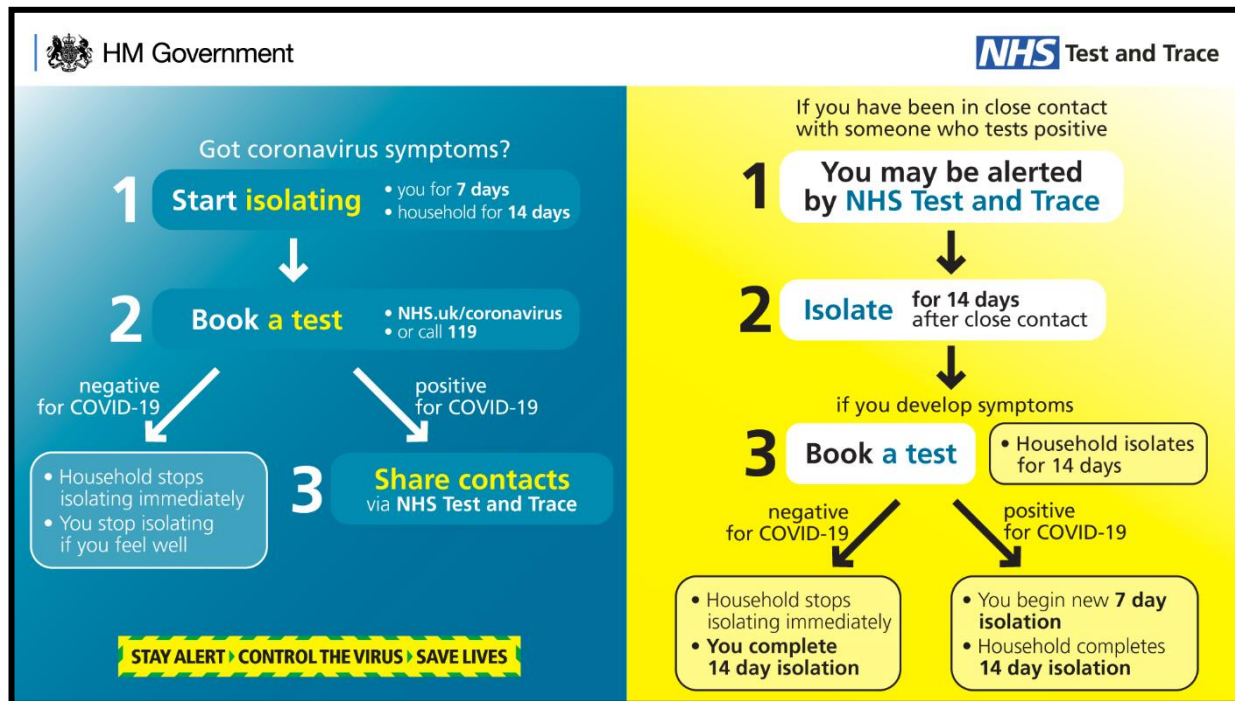
Please go to our Facebook page to see all the amazing photos.

Annual School Reports

Teachers are writing children's reports at the moment and they will be emailed out to parents on Friday 3rd July. Reports will be slightly reduced in comment and your child's attainment will be taken from the end of the spring term. All attainment judgements will be from just teacher assessment rather than the mixture of statutory assessments in year 1, 2 and 6.

We will not be holding a parents' evening to discuss reports but if you want to discuss anything with the class teacher, please let us know and we can arrange a phone call consultation.

Government Test and Trace Information



Whole School Art Project

We would like to produce a couple of art projects involving all children from school and Pre-School. These projects will depict life in lockdown and create a whole load of memories we can display and keep for many years to come.

Both projects can be done at home quite easily and brought to school when you are next in.

Project 1

Find a large pebble and paint a simple picture on it; something that reminds you of your time at home. It could be nature that you have seen a lot of in your garden or on walks, it could be a favourite activity you have done over the past few weeks or it could be a face showing an emotion you have experienced.



The first thing to do is choose a pebble with a smooth surface. And if you don't fancy digging up your plants looking for a suitable candidate, you can find them on walks or on the beach. The best paints to use are a waterproof craft paint or acrylic. Ideally you should use two layers to make sure the colour is thick enough and then varnish your finished piece to make it shiny but also to protect the painting. Once finished, hold onto it until you are next in school where will place them in cement somewhere outside so everyone can see them. If you want to do more than one then go head - the more the merrier.

Project 2 will be explained next week

Children back in school

This week we welcomed back some Pre-School, reception, year 1 and 6 children. It has been great to see a few more faces around but things are still very strange.

All the children have been exceptionally well behaved, have observed the 2 metre distancing most of the time (not reception or Pre-School) and have got stuck into work as if nothing had happened.

We would also like to thank all parents, who are bringing children to school, for sticking to the new bring and collect (I nearly said 'Click and Collect') times which has avoided over-crowding on the car park.

Next Friday Mrs Clarke will be asking these 4 year groups again if you would like your child to return to school as we have capacity for a few more in each group. Mrs Clarke will phone each family separately at the end of next week so please wait until you have that phone call to express your thoughts. Thank you

Year 6 Leavers

Unfortunately our year 6 children will not be experiencing the normal end of year/primary school activities this year which is a real shame. At present we are unable to plan a social event until there is more easing of lockdown. If the whole group is able to be back together in school before the end of term, we will organise a fun day in school and invite parents to come along for some of it. If we are not able to all meet up before September then we will be holding a similar afternoon on a Saturday which could involve a BBQ for families.

If you want to host your own events, please follow government guidelines on group gatherings and consult with all parents before plans are put in place.

Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies

Mrs Newton has kindly arranged the Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies again this year. Thank you Mrs Newton. An email went out to parents earlier this week with details of how you can order these. If you did not receive the details then please let us know. The deadline for ordering is the 15th June.

JOYFUL JUNE (EVEN IN DIFFICULT TIMES) 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Decide to look for what's good, even on the difficult days	2 Re-frame a worry and try to find a positive way to respond	3 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down	4 Show your appreciation to those who are helping others	5 Smile and be friendly, even while you're social distancing	6 Notice the upsides during the lockdown, however small	7 Find a joyful way of being physically active (indoors or out)
8 Write a letter to thank someone for what they did	9 Find the joy in music today: sing, play, dance or listen	10 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it	11 Say positive things in your conversations with others today	12 Make a plan with friends to do something fun together	13 Appreciate the joy of nature and the beauty in the world around	14 Do three things to bring joy to other people today
15 Rediscover a fun childhood activity that you can enjoy today	16 Ask a loved one what they feel grateful for at the moment	17 Be kind to you. Treat yourself the way you would treat a friend	18 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement	19 Create a list of favourite memories you feel grateful for	20 Make time to do something playful today, just for the fun of it	21 Enjoy trying a new recipe or cooking your favourite food
22 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you	23 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it	24 Thank a friend for the joy they bring into your life	25 Eat food that makes you feel good and really savour it	26 See the upside in a difficult situation you learnt from	27 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh	28 Create a playlist of your favourite songs and enjoy them
29 Take time to do something that makes you happy today	30 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to them)	"Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day" ~ Alice Morse Earle				

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