



Elsie has set up her own classroom!

WELCOME TO OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER!

During the school closure, I thought it would be nice to do this newsletter to help us still feel like a school family. Each Friday, we will celebrate pupils' efforts and work, launch a competition and profile what one of our staff members has been up to that week, among other things. We'll have home learning tips and anything else that might be useful or fun. Anything underlined is a link to a website, if you click on it. I hope you like it! Stay safe and well everyone, Mrs Meadus.
Follow us on FaceBook, Twitter and Instagram

COMPETITION TIME!

Design an Easter egg! It can be a drawing, painting, collage, 3D, computer made picture - anything you like! Submit your photos to us by Thursday via your class email address to be in the competition. If you put it on social media, don't forget to tag us in. Winner announced in next week's newsletter. Miss Hawkins will judge this week's task.



FRIDAY ASSEMBLY CELEBRATION

Oak - Kyran has been working really hard at home, we've seen some super fluent reading and lots of counting.

Beech - Alyssa has been a home learning star this week. She has really got stuck in and tried her very best. Great job!

Ash - Dylan for working extremely hard at home. He is completing all the work on the webpage and continuing to challenge himself

Sycamore - Connor Sowerby - Sending me his work everyday and has even designed a Sycamore Class football kit!

Apple Josh Henderson for working so hard every day to complete all the work to a very impressive standard. He wrote some brilliant descriptions this week with some fantastic vocabulary. Really aiming high!

Chestnut - Ashton has sent in lots of photos of his learning. He is focused on his learning and pushing himself, showing true resilience.

Willow - Hannah has adapted to home learning so well. She asks for feedback and extra help when she needs it. Hannah has been resilient and mature over the last few weeks. I am very proud of her and her efforts.

MR SOWERBY'S PE CHALLENGES

Our very own Mr Sowerby is giving Joe Wicks a run for his money with his [YouTube Challenges](#). Special mention this week goes to Josh Cooper. He has impressed Mr Sowerby with his persistence, even asking for more challenges and keeping him up to date on his scores. Josh even beat him!



Oak Class have gone number line crazy!

Phoebe's impressive historical research



Lily's done some great time work

A DAY AT HOME WITH MR CAWTE

Well it is my first week as a home educator and worker. Wow! This is hard. I quickly realised - on day 1 of home working - that I needed a timetable. I am a creature of habit and structure and for my own mental well-being have devised my own working day.

The Cawte children's playroom has now been turned into my office (it originally was used for this purpose until the children started owning far too many things - so I got kicked out). The coldest room in the house! So most days I sit fully clothed and wrapped in a dressing gown ploughing on through work. I could put the heating on but living in Yorkshire for the past 14 years has turned me into a bit of a miser - unless food is involved!

As a parent I am delighted with the work that Miss Dodd and Miss Dodson are putting on for Sam and Kitty - we all love a bit of normality and structure. But trying to work through KS1, KS2 and KS3 work is making my head spin. Today I went from telling the time to the nearest five minutes to trying to spell 'pronunciation' to area of irregular shapes - phew what a journey!

As, I imagine, with most of you we started doing our Joe Wicks PE session on Monday. When I say 'we' - I gave up after the first half hour! Everybody else has now followed suit! I am loving receiving emails from you all - it is nice to have a bit of virtual human interaction - and hope that each and every one of you are well.

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Harriet and Penelope making a splendid castle



DINNER CONVERSATION STARTERS

One good thing about being home is having more opportunities to eat together as a family. We've started having our main meal at lunchtime together. Here's some conversation starters to get a family discussion going.

- If you could have one conversation with someone from history, who would it be?
- If you could have any super power, what would it be and why?

CLASS PROFILE: ASH CLASS

This week Ash have been telling the time! They started the week by making their own clocks from things around the house and garden (we have some very creative Year 2 children!). They have then used the clocks to practise telling the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past/to and even challenged themselves to do 5 minutes past. Well Done Ash! Miss Dodd

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CLASS WEB PAGES

Click on each class name to be taken to the page.

[Oak](#)

[Beech](#)

[Ash](#)

[Sycamore](#)

[Apple](#)

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MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

Part of the fun of school is seeing friends so it's been great to see some Year 3 children using the Zoom app to connect with each other. Although we are physically distancing, we can still be social in different ways. In the 5 Ways to Well-Being, staying connected is a vital part of good mental health.



ONLINE SAFETY

Staying connected is a good thing while we are isolated, but we all have to take extra care when using video group messaging services. Today I had an email alert, warning about the potential dangers to children of the popular app Houseparty. Unless "rooms" are locked in the app, uninvited guests can join the chat, putting children at risk to predators.

OUR EARTH LOOM HAS ARRIVED!

We have had our Earth Loom installed! It is part of our mindfulness garden at the front of school. You weave natural materials, like fallen leaves and twigs, through the strings to create a piece of art. I can't wait to have a go when school re-opens.

Mrs Meadus