

St Day and Carharrack Newsletter

Self-belief, Determination and Courage

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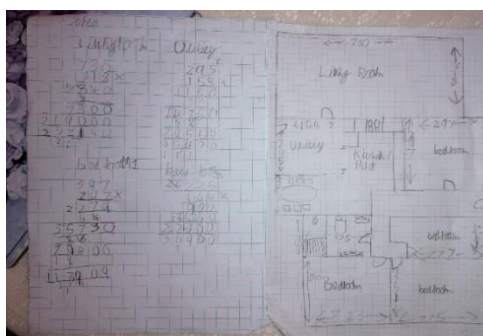
Dear Families and Children

Thank you for all your contributions and photos – this helps to keep us all feeling connected! Some amazing learning, wonderful inspiration for 'Screen Free Mondays' and so lovely to see the positive engagement for 'Children's Mental Health Week' – a massive thank you to the whole community! One more week, before a well-deserved half term for everyone.

LAUNCHING VIRTUAL 'PLAYTIME' – Listening to our children

Listening to our children – it is clear that everyone is missing their friends. As a way to connect our children in a safe space and to support their well-being and happiness, we are launching virtual 'playtimes' - as successfully trialled by Yr 5 this week. At an agreed time each week, a member of staff will be 'around' to supervise, just like on playground duty. Please see your class teacher email for more details as it will work slightly differently in KS1 and KS2. Children – let us know how this goes! As at school, remember to be kind.

CELEBRATING HOME LEARNING and SCREEN FREE MONDAYS



Yr 6 children were tasked with measuring and finding the area and perimeter of each room in their house – Charlie, well done on all the maths calculations! Thank you to Evan and Poppy for working together on designing a great den for their cat and cooking together. Feedback from a parent: "We're loving the freedom to choose our own activities and learn in a different way."



Year 2, you have been on fire this week with your screen free learning – a super effort everyone! I know Miss Peters is very proud of you all. Katy is flying with mastering all of her spellings and look at Jessica's finished masterpiece! As for Year 2 readers...



CELEBRATING READING AT HOME



Lucas's book corner

I aim to read a book a week, here are my thoughts so far!



Rating - ★★★★★

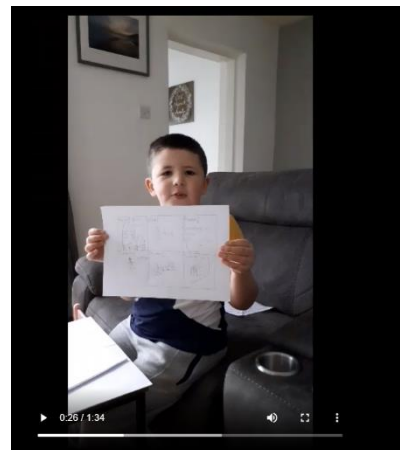
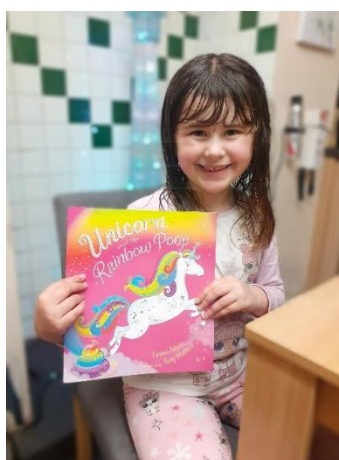
I am a big fan of the diary of the wimpy kid books, they never get boring.



Rating - ★★★★★

This book only took me 3 days to read, I didn't want it to end. I found the pictures funny, the story is written with a great sense of humour also and the adventure is really exciting. Really Recommend reading it. It's the best book I have read. I hope Tom Fletcher writes more books for my age group.

We said - read, read and read some more – it is brilliant to see so many of you enjoying reading and discovering new books. Lucas has started his own power point book review to add to each week – what a great way to keep track of all the books you are reading in addition to practising your computer skills. Perhaps Thomas could send you a book review to add to add in...



Ruan – I loved watching your video – what an achievement! You created your very own story map, inspired by your online learning, and read it with such great expression – super star learning! Amia has made huge strides with her reading, enjoying many new books at home – I have heard all about 'Unicorn Rainbow Poop'- interesting!

Thank you Molly – for remembering Captain Sir Tom Moore – the 100-year-old who sadly passed away this week. He raised almost £33m for NHS charities by walking laps of his garden. He inspired all of us. What will you do to change the World?

We are very proud of all our children and the variety of ways everyone is learning at home. Thank you for sending your pictures in – it is the highlight of the week!



SAFER INTERNET DAY- Tuesday 9th February



Safer Internet Day is a global event to help everyone to think about being as safe as possible when online. Being online is an incredible resource if we teach our children how to be safe. Now more than ever, it is imperative that we provide children with the skills to navigate safely and know when to seek support. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is all about

ensuring the best possible childhood for every child and young person. All of the rights apply, all of the time, and this includes the time a child spends on the internet.

"Children have a right to be protected from all forms of harm" UNICEF article 19. Please see the age-appropriate learning tasks sent home by class teachers - taken from 'ThinkUKnow'. Being safe online will be discussed in live check-ins next week.



Our school has been selected to participate in a national survey about how children are learning at home and the impact lockdown-learning is having on family life. If you would like to support us, and have your voices heard, please download and use a free survey app called Parent Ping: <https://bit.ly/parentping>. If you would like to know

more about the project, please see <https://parentping.co.uk/bigsurvey/>.

COLLECTION of Home Learning Packs: Monday 12 – 3pm from the hall. Please come and collect any outstanding, requested packs on Monday- they have been copied for you – at a great cost to the school.

Remember to return exercise books this Monday- for teachers to celebrate home learning. You will receive a second exercise book for this week, to use in rotation. If you require a pencil and ruler, please ask.

A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO OUR YEAR 6 TEAM TURQUOISE - EXPRESSING THEMSELVES



Year 6 children have fully embraced 'expressing yourself'. They have written letters to someone else to read on a sad day and collected positive adjectives about themselves- from friends and family. Here are some of their favourite clothes to wear – to feel happy and confident.



With best wishes

Susannah Storey and the St Day and Carharrack Team