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Dear Parents/Guardians,

9th April 2020

I want to thank you once again for your support during this unprecedented time. The warm wishes and messages of support sent to me for all our staff have been so appreciated. By working together, we can ensure the pupils are safe, happy and learning as best as they can.

School breaks up for Easter on the 9th April, so I wanted to wish you a lovely Easter holiday – albeit a different break than we were expecting – nevertheless, a break indeed. You and your children deserve it. For key workers, the arrangements remain the same as in the previous weeks.

Just a reminder that no work will be set next week including Good Friday and Easter Monday, it is a time for all of you to relax. We will be back in touch with you all on Monday 20th April.

Please may I take this opportunity to inform you that our School Business Manager, Mrs Cath Readman, will be leaving St Edward's today after an amazing 13 years working with us. She has been a constant support to me as HT and an absolute joy to work with in school. Mrs Readman is always hard working, committed and so knowledgeable in her role – we have learnt so much from her! Every day we have observed wonderful work with a fantastic sense of humour. Cath – we will miss you. We wish you all the very best for the future. Keep in touch.

On that note, we wish you a happy, Holy and safe Easter. Until Monday 20th April, please take care.

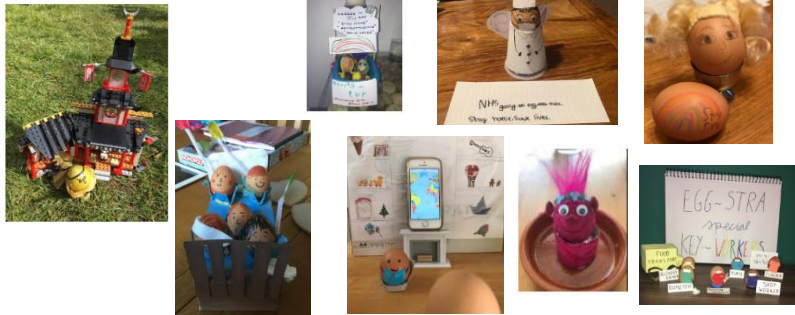


With best wishes,
Mrs Mary D Brown
Headteacher

In school this week...

We have had a busy week in school this week, the children have really enjoyed following the work that has been set on Google Classroom whilst also being active with Joe Wicks and Oti Mabuse – we have some budding dancers and fitness fanatics amongst us! During the day, we have completed English, Maths and RE and our lessons have been very creative: the children have been designing frames, taking photos, sketching, creating collages and making Easter crafts. The staff in school are so proud of the wonderful work the children have produced and the amazing attitudes they have shown throughout the week, it has been a pleasure.

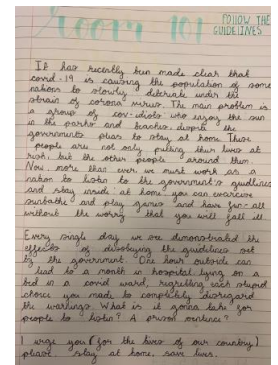
[Our 'Paste Egg Gallery' - we have loved receiving SO many entries!](#)



Year 6

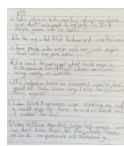
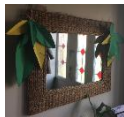
Wow, another busy week for Y6 on Google Classroom, where the children have completed tasks in English, Maths, RE, Geography and Science. We have been continuing to read our class novel 'Wonder' and produced some fantastic work around it, including writing a Room 101 style persuasive speech. In Maths, we have been learning how to calculate the area of triangles and parallelograms and applying this knowledge when solving word problems. In addition to this, our 'Problem of the Day' has been a hit too, keep up the good work! This week in RE, children have been writing special prayers and completing different activities for Holy Week.

Overall, we have seen lots of amazing work produced and really enjoyed receiving photographs of your work and other activities! Well done to you all for your hard work and making us proud yet again. We hope you enjoy your Easter break!



Year 5

In Year 5, we have had an Easter theme linking all our curriculum subjects. We have completed Easter poetry in English and focused on the story of Easter in RE. We have also created some marvellous mechanisms using gears, pulleys and levers through our Science topic – forces and magnets! In Maths, we have looked at some very challenging work with volume. Stay safe Year 5!



Year 3/4

The children have continued to complete a quick 10 minute Maths and English challenge on a morning to start their home learning day, giving great and thoughtful answers. The children have been enjoying completing these and have been commenting their answers on the Google Classroom stream. As this is the special time of Holy Week, we have been focusing mainly on our RE topic of 'Self-Discipline.' They have completed some fantastic work and have shared photos and uploaded their work to Google Classroom. Alongside RE this week, the children have completed a MyMaths activity each day focusing on our Statistics topic which they have really enjoyed. Every day the children have been participating in other activities at home with their families such as cooking, gardening and even mowing the lawn! It's wonderful to hear how domesticated they are becoming! Many have been taking part in the 9am morning PE lesson with Joe Wicks and have enjoyed doing so. Also, children have been keeping active by going for walks/jogs with their family and dancing along to Oti Mabuse's daily online dance class. Listening to David Walliams read a chapter of his popular book 'The World's Worst Children' every day has been another firm favourite! The children have also enjoyed their drawing daily challenge producing some beautiful pieces of artwork. They have tried so hard with the daily riddle and have answered correctly each time! The children have been using the Google Classroom to keep in touch regularly with teachers and each other during this unprecedented time. It has been wonderful to see the work they are producing through uploads of their work and photographs. Year 3/4 staff are very proud of them!

Year 2

This week we have continued to be blown away by the children's commitment to their learning and it has been so lovely to get regular updates of the children's work. The children are getting much more confident with uploading images of their completed work on Google Classroom. We have begun a unit of Measures in Maths and they have really enjoyed measuring objects around their houses in centimetres. We have received some lovely, thoughtful and reflective prayers linked towards our RE work and our journey through Holy Week. The children have had the opportunity to work creatively to show their understanding of the Easter story. It has been lovely to see all the children's entries for our Paste egg competition and the children wearing red for #Red4Research. Well done Year 2 on another brilliant week.

Year 1

Through our English work this week, we have continued to learn about Traditional Tales. We have listened to *Chicken Licken* using an online story telling website. The children thought carefully about the order of events and the different characters – drawing pictures of them and using rhyme to create their names. Year 1 have explored the fact that *Chicken Licken* is a folk tale and that there are many different endings. We have encouraged the children to discuss similarities and differences between two versions of the story.



In Maths, the children have been recapping on their knowledge of multiplication. They have been practising counting in 2s, 5s and 10s using a number line – a strategy we were working on when we were in school.

The children have also been using Google Classroom to access many other activities including RE, Geography and Science. Keep up the hard work boys and girls. We are so proud of you!

Reception

This week the Reception children were asked to discuss Holy Week at home. They were sent lots of links to help explain Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The important message is that Jesus loves us. The children have produced some wonderful work for us all to share.

We have received some fantastic examples of home learning: sentence work, science experiments, writing, phonics, stories, gardening and PE. Some of our children have also celebrated their 5th birthdays and celebrated in style with their families at home.



Nursery

This week the nursery children have been so busy at home. Mrs Houchen and Mrs Bell have really enjoyed looking at what all the children have been up to: getting fit with Joe Wicks, dancing, planting, playing with siblings, smiling, practising using scissors, drawing, colouring, enjoying scavenger hunts, learning to dress themselves independently, making and sticking, making Lego creations, archaeology discovery, decorating eggs for the St Edward's Paste-Egg Eggs-travaganza – to name but a few!

Butterfly & Bean Talk 'Growth' Update!

Nursery now have 5 cocoons that have been carefully transferred to the butterfly habitat. Now we are waiting for the first butterfly to emerge ... exciting! The Very Hungry Caterpillar stayed inside his cocoon for more than two weeks! The bean stalks are doing well too! Mrs Bell stuck pieces of rainbow tape to some of the bamboo canes at the weekend. They have grown so much in three days!

