



Rugby Free

Primary School

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Headteacher's Message

A huge well done for getting through another week of our national lockdown. I continue to be immensely proud and impressed by all of our pupils for their resilience and attitude towards learning whether at home or at school. I am very aware the strain it is putting on family life if your child isn't in school but I want to thank you for doing your bit to keep the community safe as possible.

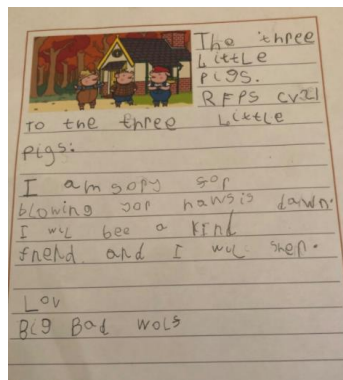
This week we have seen the introduction of our daily Zoom meetings. We have just had a trial one this week to see how it goes and the feedback was fantastic. The children were so excited to see each other and their teacher. They will be happening daily from Monday. Please look at SeeSaw for times. I hope this daily contact with each other will help stave off the feelings of loneliness and isolation a little bit as I know a few of our children are starting to experience this. We are here for them so please give us a shout if we can do anything more to support them. Keep a look out for next week's newsletter about Children's Mental Health week which runs from the 1st – 7th February 2021.

Stay safe everyone, Miss Butters

Reception

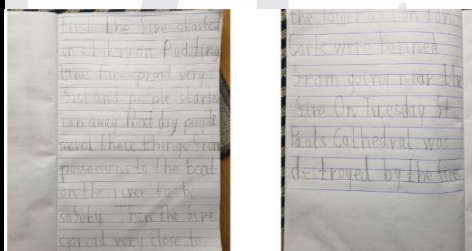
In SMSC (this stands for Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural education) this week, the Reception children have been learning all about Chinese New Year. They learnt how Chinese people cook special food that will bring them good luck. The children created their own meal which they thought would bring them luck. We had some fantastic pictures and excellent food choices such as sausages, onions, ice-cream and spaghetti.

In our English lessons we learnt about the story of the Three Little Pigs. We wrote a 'sorry' letter from the naughty wolf to the three little pigs. We were super impressed with everyone's writing. Well done!



Written work by Phoebe

Year One



This week Year 1 have been learning and writing about the Great Fire of London! First, we sequenced the events with pictures and then we began to write about it. The children have worked so hard this week writing their recounts. Look at this fabulous example with full stops, capitals letters, finger spaces and some beautiful handwriting!

Work by Gabriel 'Great Fire of London'

Esme in Y1 has earned the coveted Blue Peter badge! Esme wrote a letter about climbing lots of mountains including Snowdon and included lots of pictures too! Amazing work Esme, well done!



Year Two



In Year 2 we have been working very hard at home, learning multiplication skills, trying out some tricky map skills and exploring the characters in our book called 'How to Find Gold'. Look at our creative freeze-frames exploring the characters. We have also looked at the UK and its surrounding waters. We drew a map and labelled the countries and seas!

Map by Evie B

Freeze-frames with Theoren



Stars of the Week

Reception Giraffes:

Filip & Max
Lions:
Lowri & William
Zebras:
Jack & Ivy

Year One Hedgehogs:

Seth & Nicholas
Owls:
Jacob M & Mya
Rabbits:
Jessie & George

Year Two Orcas:

Travis & Minnie
Penguins:
Ben & Frederico
Seals:
Eliza & Haris

Year Three Crocodiles:

Aeryn & Imogen
Kangaroos:
Charlie & Amelia-Rose
Turtles:
Francesca & Hayden

Year Four Bears:

Amelia O & Hereem
Eagles:
Molly & Leyla
Raccoons:
Jacob & Mia

Year Five Elephants:

Sammy & Jack S
Pandas:
Ivy & Amelia
Tigers:
Oumou & Jacob



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Year Three

Year 3 have had a splendid week exploring soils, volcanoes and tectonic plates! This week, we continued working on our class text 'Pebble in my Pocket' creating some fantastic pieces of writing. We have begun calculating multiplication problems with tricky remainders. We have learnt so much in topic and science this week, we have been so impressed with everyone's research and fact finding. Of course, we have to mention our first Zoom session as it was a great success, and it was lovely to see so many of your faces! Keep up the hard work Year 3, you are all amazing!

Headteacher's Awards

Isaac M (Y1)

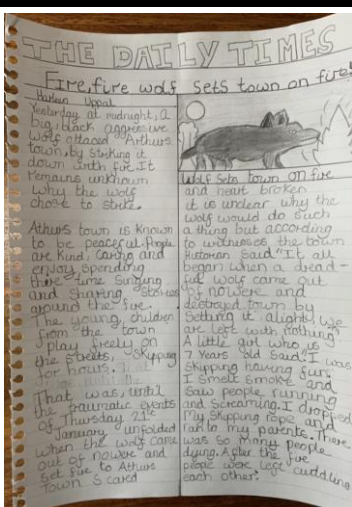
Roman (Y2)

Chloe (Y5)

Year Four

Year 4 have been getting stuck in with some amazing work yet again this week. In English, we've been looking at features of a newspaper report and using that knowledge to create our own gripping article. In Maths, we have been looking at the area of different rectilinear shapes using square centimetres. In Topic, we have been continuing with our 'Traders and Raiders' topic, delving deeper into the lives of the Anglo Saxons. We're so impressed with all of your efforts this week, well done to each and every one of you.

Newspaper article by Harleen and Maths by Jack B.



Year Five

This week has been an exciting one for Year 5! Our topic lessons have been based on art, researching a famous artist called Derek Gores and his work and then creating our own pieces using his style for inspiration. The children have used recycled materials where possible to create their own monochrome space-themed collages which incorporate text. We have been so proud of their efforts! In



Maths, we have moved on to division and in English we have continued our story "Cosmic." Through this, we have researched the Gobi Desert and created fact files, then researched Disney's Epcot and used the text to create a map of the theme park in the text (Year 5 are wondering what the chances

are of convincing Miss Butters to let them go on a school trip to Disney next year...).

We are working on writing advertising leaflets to persuade people to visit "Infinity Park."



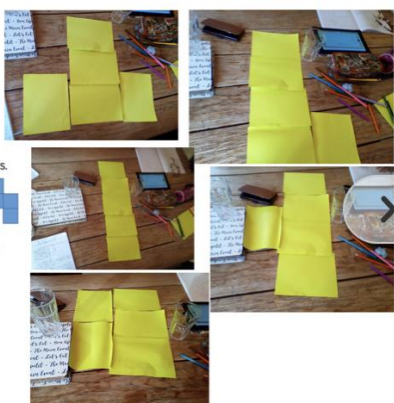
Saturn by Zac D & Sun by Chloe W

Fluency 1

Ron has 4 squares. He systematically makes rectilinear shapes.

Use 5 squares to make rectilinear shapes. Can you work systematically?

Yes by moving 1 square at a time





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Contact details

It is vitally important that the contact details we hold in school are correct and up to date. Please notify us of any changes to address, telephone numbers, email addresses, doctors details and collection permissions for when others are able to collect your child(ren).

If you would like to check the contact details we currently hold, please email the school office and we can forward you a data capture sheet of the details that we have for you. Star of the Week certificates will now be posted home so having the right address on file is very important to ensure your child receives their certificate.

Now more than ever we are communicating with parents and carers via email. If you are able to, please add our email addresses office@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk and rugbyfreeprimary@scholarpacksupport.com as a safe recipient to ensure these drop into your inbox, and regularly check your spam and junk folders.

Please email any changes to the office email: office@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk. Thank you.

Blue Peter on YouTube



To entertain the children outside of home learning, Blue Peter have launched their own YouTube channel [Blue Peter on YouTube](#). Blue Peter is the longest running kids TV show in the world and they are uploading videos to their YouTube channel that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. They have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. They also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about their incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwakasy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog. The Blue Peter live show is on CBBC at 5.00pm every Thursday and is available on iPlayer.

Feeding support for families

Our charity 'From Meal To You' is being replaced with 'Fill The Gap' which is here to provide fresh produce food for families that are struggling right now. We would like to help those families that have fallen through the gap due to lots of different circumstances. Some parents have been furloughed or lost their job which has affected the overall household income, which in turn is having an impact on their food shopping weekly.

Our service provides weekly food parcels for whatever the need; breakfast, lunch & dinner or one or two of the three. We do not have a strict criteria and we review each individual's circumstances weekly. We will also collect click and collect for families that are self-isolating or shielding.

We would very much like for each school in Rugby to help us reach parents as quickly as possible. We are awaiting our new branding and website, however in the interim you can find us here at [\(2\) From Meal to You | Facebook](#).

The long term vision for this charity is always with the children at heart and we would really like to develop a relationship so we can share our future plans with you.

Please reach out via the above Facebook page if you need help.

Fill The Gap Team

Monthly Photography Competition

January's theme is: Winter

Please email your entry to Mrs Odwell – eleonor.odwell@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk by 31st January @ 5pm with your child's name in the email. We can't wait to see all of the different, creative and inspiring photographs.