



MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

Although our school site was closed on Tuesday due to snow, children across the school enjoyed Internet Safety Day with a range of remote learning activities. We were delighted to be able to continue with our teaching of live lessons and remote learning through the use of our Google Suite. This last year, we have all realised how much the Internet has enabled us to continue with learning, work and connect with family and friends we cannot see. Thank you to Mrs Lucas, Computing Lead, for arranging our Internet Safety Day activities across the school.

I hope you find our virtual Parent Consultations useful and informative, our teaching staff are looking forward to speaking with families. These meetings are vitally important for your children and help us to inform our planning and teaching for the next term.

This week has also been Maths Week and children have enjoyed a range of activities themed around measurement and comparison and concluded with the usual celebration of maths hats both virtually and in school. My thanks to Mrs Buchanan, Maths Lead, for organising fun and engaging activities across both KS1 and KS2.

I would also like to extend our thanks to James Broomfield of OurTech for his donation of laptops to our school. This kind gesture has enabled us to assist more of our children and families with easier access to remote learning.

As this half term draws to a close, I must thank my staff team for their continued commitment and support in doing the very best for all the children - thank you. I would like to also express my thanks to you all for your engagement and commitment with both home learning and in school learning. As a new "acting" head teacher, navigating remote learning in national lockdown, followed by the worst snow we have had in three years - I am very grateful indeed for your support and positivity.

Finally a massive SHOUT OUT to Mr Walpole for the hours of extra work that he has done this week - in the freezing cold - making the site safe for staff, parents and of course children.

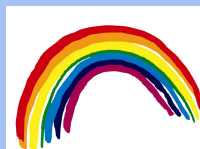
Please remember that tomorrow, Friday 12th February, is an INSET day; our key worker provision will be closed and there will be no online learning set.

Have a wonderful half term. We look forward to continuing with both our in school and home learning provisions when we return.

Have a wonderful week.

My very best wishes,

Mrs Freeman



STARS OF THE WEEK

Home Learners

Jill Barklem: **Louie R**

Beatrix Potter: **Matilda W**

Emily Gravett: **Summer P**

Eric Carle: **Ella Rose S**

Abi Longstaff: **Leonie C**

Michael Rosen: **Poppy S**

Helen Cooper: **Sophie P**

Jeremy Strong: **Ellee A**

Berlie Doherty: **Emma S**

Adam Frost: **George H**

Michael Bond: **Elsie T**

Katharine Woodfine: **Aaron L**

Abi Elphinstone: **Liam S**

Andrew Donkin: **Amber G**

Sinead O'Hart: **Ella L**

You are our
★ *'Stars of the Week'* ★

STARS OF THE WEEK

In school Learners

Nursery: **Ella G**

Reception: **Theo J**

Year 1: **Evelyn A**

Year 2: **Jackson G**

Year 3: **Daisie W**

Year 4: **Coral C**

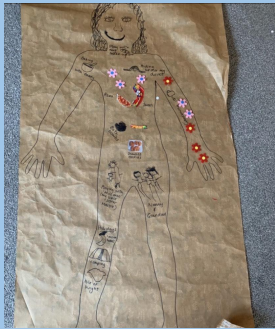
Year 5: **William F**

Year 6: **George G**

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EXAMPLES OF *AMAZING* HOME AND IN SCHOOL LEARNING

Reception



Alice B produced this wonderful life size drawing of things that make her happy! Alice enjoyed this activity during Mental Health Week.

My Rules at home to keep me safe online

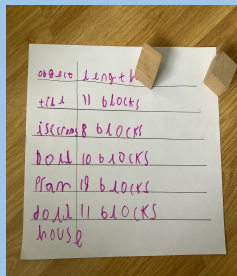
1. Don't talk to strangers.
2. Never tell people where you live.
3. Never be a bully.
4. Think someone might not be who they say they are.
5. Tell a grownup if you are not happy about something.

During Internet Safety Day, year 2 children have been thinking about what the rules are for keeping safe online. Ben S has created this set of rules.

Year 1



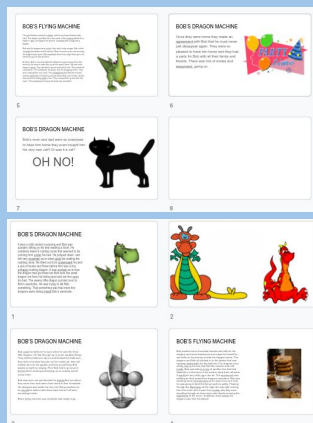
We have been using non standard units of measure. This is Aoife W showing us that she is three dollies tall!



Alex E has been using non standard units of measure to measure his dinosaurs and Evelyn B has completed this table showing measurement in blocks.

Year 2

Children have been writing their own version of 'The Dragon Machine'. Frankie L wrote an amazing story about a boy called Bob who tried to fly his troublesome dragons back to the land where they belonged.



Year 5



For Maths Week in year 5, we have been measuring our proportions of our body to see if any of us are 'The Vitruvian Man' - is your length of your outspread arms equal to your height? Pola T and Ruby F have been measuring each other to find out.

Year 6

Please see our amazing work within our article on the previous page.

Year 3

Year 3 have been learning about how tea is made. Elijah B has written this amazing report.



Year 4

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| On Tuesday 9th August 1914, the Shackleton set sail for Buenos Aires. |
| On 18th December 1914, they sailed into the world's southernmost city - there were 700 in the city of Punta Arenas. |
| The men thought they had found the fabled land, but they discovered they could not cross the ice to the continent. |
| On 17th December 1915, the ship was crushed under the ice and set up an ice camp to stay in. |
| On 19th April 1916, the crew travelled to Elephant Island and set up camp. |
| On 24th April 1916, a skeleton was found in the snow near the South Georgia in the Jones. Could it be the first of the long journey? |
| On 26th May 1916, Shackleton and the crew arrived at Stromness Wharf in London. |
| At last, help came to Elephant Island to help the crew on 26th August 1916. |

In literacy, we have been ordering the key events from Shackleton's journey. Shiloh K has identified these events and put them in a timeline.

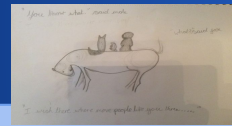


Year 4 have been learning how to draw figures in the correct proportions as part of Maths Week. Harrison G has created this brilliant example.

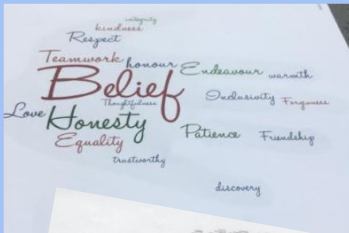
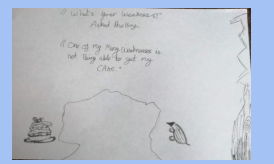
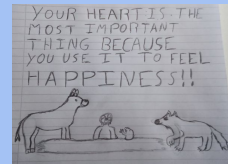
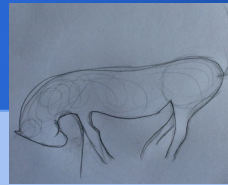
We are seeing some brilliant work on Google Classrooms from all our home learners and some fabulous work in school from all our in school learners - you are all amazing

YEAR 6

Literacy and Art



We have been looking at an amazing book by Charlie Mackesy called 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse'. He is an artist and this is his first book. We have enjoyed looking at the amazing illustrations and the messages of hope and kindness. Inspired by his artwork, we looked at the techniques Charlie uses to create his illustrations and had a go at creating our own. We also looked at the messages in the book and had a go at creating our own pages.



We had a go at making our own word clouds with the values that we find important.



Miss O'Mahony and Mr Devlin

SAFER INTERNET DAY

A day recognised globally to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology

Tuesday 9th February was Safer Internet Day. This day is recognised globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and to inspire a national conversation. We always recognise this day in school and spend the week teaching our e-safety lessons. As things are a little different this year, we won't teach these lessons until all the children are all back in school, however we still celebrated Safer Internet Day.

Promoting positive use of technology and keeping children safe online is a joint effort between parents and schools and this year, remote learning gave parents an opportunity to lead the learning and to have that conversation with their children. All the children were asked to make a poster which describes the rules they have at home to keep them safe online and we saw some great examples.

Just like any rules and boundaries we set as parents, online safety rules need to be constantly reviewed and talked about especially as the children get older and use new technology. The NSPCC have written some great guides to help parents have these conversations.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Mrs Lucas, Modern Foreign Languages and Computing Lead



PUPIL VOICE Year 4



This week, Pupil Voice was held with Year 4 children learning both in school and at home.

What makes learning interesting, enjoyable and worthwhile?

"Great teacher and great activities".

"Learning new things. Also having a teacher that is enthusiastic and makes learning interesting."

How do you know if you are doing well in your learning?

"When we use our purple pen and mark our work."

"You need to listen to the teacher."

What skills do you need to be a good learner?

"You need to listen, look at the teacher and use your brain."

Tell me something you have mastered?

"Making friends."

"Maths and times tables."

"My times tables and learning to work from home."

Look out For - Home Learning Provision after Half-term

- Our 'Good Morning' message on Monday will now include an OPTIONAL well being activity for the week.
- Two live lessons a day - one English and one Maths.
- A weekly video that sets out a learning challenge related to another subject from the curriculum.
- A daily physical/PE challenge. Also see our letter dated 26th January regarding 5-a-day Fitness.
- Stories uploaded to our YouTube channel.
- A weekly pre-recorded assembly.
- Social time for children on a Friday.
- Curriculum Maps - have been uploaded to Google Classrooms.

A MESSAGE FROM THE INCLUSION TEAM

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a well deserved break over the half term week. This is an opportunity for self-care, recuperation and to spend some much deserved time with each other that does not involve Google Classroom or live lessons! We are really proud of how hard the children have been working, both at home and in school, and we know that this is not possible without the support from you at home. So from me it is a big 'THANK YOU' and I wish you a fabulous half term next week. Remember our door is always open.

Mrs Lawrence
Acting Deputy Head Teacher & Inclusion Lead
k.lawrence@bigginhillps.com

Bromley Young Carers

As part of my role in school I am aware of children who provide both physical and emotional support to another family member. This may be a parent with an illness or disability or a sibling with a Special Educational Need.

Bromley Young Carers is an organisation that can provide counselling, workshops and leisure activities for young carers in the borough who wish to attend.

If you think your child would benefit from their service, or would like further information about the services they provide, please get in touch with me.

Kath Sargeant
Family Support Worker and Inclusion Assistant
Email: k.sargeant @bigginhillps.com

THANK YOU NOT ALL SUPERHEROS WEAR CAPES!

*Thank you to James Broomfield of OurTech
for the very kind donation of laptops*

I.T SUPPORT IN HOME OR REMOTE SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

- Remote Support Available
- PC/ Laptop Repairs
- Apple Repairs
- Installations
- Virus Removals
- Custom PC Builds
- Business Support

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COVID-19 UPDATES AND USEFUL LINKS

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can be found at:

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<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus>

HM Government

ENGLAND LOCKDOWN

STAY AT HOME

THE NEW VARIANT OF CORONAVIRUS IS SPREADING FAST.
WE ALL NEED TO PLAY OUR PART TO STOP THE SPREAD.

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| <p>LEAVING HOME</p> <p>You must not leave, or be outside of your home for any reason other than to go to a limited set of exemptions (e.g. to shop for basic necessities, exercise, go to work if you cannot do so from home, or to receive care).</p> | <p>WORK AND BUSINESS</p> <p>Everyone must work from home unless they are unable to do so.</p> | <p>MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS</p> <p>You must not meet or be with more than one other person (other than your household or support bubble) if you are not in your household or support bubble.</p> |
| <p>MEETING OTHERS</p> <p>You cannot leave your home to meet outside with anyone except with your household or support bubble (if eligible to form one). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.</p> | <p>EDUCATION</p> <p>Early years settings, primary and secondary schools and colleges must to remain closed unless they are unable to do so.</p> | <p>MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS</p> <p>You must not meet or be with more than one other person (other than your household or support bubble) if you are not in your household or support bubble.</p> |
| <p>EXERCISE</p> <p>You may exercise on your own, with your household or support bubble, or with one person from another household (other than your own) for a maximum of once per day. You must stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.</p> | <p>LEISURE AND SPORTING FACILITIES</p> <p>Closed, with limited exceptions.</p> | <p>TRAVELLING</p> <p>You must stay at home. If you do leave home for any reason, you must not travel to work, school, college or university, and should limit the time you spend outside the home. You should only go out for essential appointments, exercise or if it is essential.</p> |
| <p>BASES, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS</p> <p>Regularly closed since from 10pm to 5am (until 11pm). You must not collect, deliver through or deliver. Alcohol cannot be purchased through takeaway or delivered to your home.</p> | <p>PERSONAL CARE</p> <p>Closed.</p> | <p>CARE HOME VISITS</p> <p>Visits are only allowed with arrangements, such as a care worker, visiting nurse, or other professional. Visits are not allowed. No visits will be permitted if the person is in isolation but visits are permitted in all circumstances.</p> |
| <p>RETAIL</p> <p>Essential shops are open. Non-essential retail must close and can only run click and collect or delivery.</p> | <p>OVERNIGHT STAYS</p> <p>You must not stay overnight away from home. Limited exceptions apply to stay with your support bubble.</p> | <p>FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO: gov.uk/coronavirus</p> |

STAY HOME - PROTECT THE NHS - SAVE LIVES

NHS 'Change 4 Life'
Easy and low-cost recipes during lockdown:
<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/lunch/cheap-lockdown-lunch-ideas>

Do you need any support?

Please remember that we are aware of how difficult the current situation is and understand that this pandemic may have impacted families in different ways.

If your family has been affected by bereavement and loss or are experiencing loneliness and isolation - we are happy to help and will do our very best to support you. I would urge any families that feel they need any support to reach out to Mrs Sargeant, Family Support Worker and Inclusion Assistant.

Please email her directly at:
k.sargeant@bigginhillps.com or contact the office to request a phone call.

IMPORTANT NOTE

We are working hard to keep everyone as safe as possible in school. I must ask that if your child or a family member within the household is unwell with any of the key symptoms, please keep your children at home and follow the government guidance. This is very important for us **all** in making sure everyone is as safe as possible.

Mrs Freeman and Mrs Lawrence



HAVE A FANTASTIC HALF TERM AND STAY SAFE

