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### **Newsletter 17**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2021

I hope that you and your families are all well at this time. I continue to be incredibly impressed by the work completed and engagement of the children who are learning from home. I would like to thank you all for your hard work to support the children, at what I appreciate is a really tricky time for all.

Please can I remind you to remember to look after yourselves too. We do understand that if you have a busy work schedule, that not all the children's learning may be completed. Please remember that we are here to help; just contact us and ask for any support that you need.

We are also aware that there are some families who are still struggling with IT at home. We have managed to acquire some additional IT resources (laptops and Chromebooks) to help any family who are finding things challenging. Please contact the school office if this will help support you and your children.

Thank you to the parents who have continued to pass us feedback concerning learning activities and Google Classroom working routines. To extend support in place for children working at home, staff are now working to organise some live lessons for the children working at home. The organisation of these, focussing on English, will help complement the 'Google Meet' sessions and small group 'catch-up' sessions organised currently; I hope that these will help provide you with additional support at this time. Further details will be emailed out early next week, with organisational details for these sessions.

This week in school, we have been working closely with the Local Authority and Department for Education, in line with their school staff programme of Asymptomatic COVID-19 Testing in Primary Schools. Staff training is to be completed next week for this programme, in line with Local Authority and Department for Education guidance. For an overview of the programme, please visit this link on the Government website. ([COVID-19 Primary School Testing Programme](#))

#### **Stars of the Week**

**Freya B** for all of her amazing, hard work at home. Keep it up!

**Alice F** for being such a kind friend and bringing a dinosaur to our Teams meeting, because she knew that some children in the class love dinosaurs!

**Jackson H** for such super learning at home and trying his hardest all of the time.

**Iris R** for learning the new skill of knitting; we look forward to you showing us the things that you have made Iris.

**Ted C** for sharing his beautiful drawing of his house.

**Theo K** for wonderful writing about his Lego creation in RE.

**Oliver G** for your huge Lego house, which you made for your RE work.

**Thea C** for sending such a smiley good morning back to us in school.

**Rosie M** for a beautiful and imaginative picture of a fairy tale house that is good enough to be published in a book!

**Harriet H** for writing a persuasive letter to Baby Bear, enticing him to go to Goldilocks' party with the promise of lots of party games!

**Rosie D** for showing good workings with her maths tasks. Well done.

**Rory M** for an entertaining diary extract from the point of view of Goldilocks. You expressed her emotions and thoughts well.

**Beaux C** for superb sentence work in English.

**Sonny H** for really working hard this week, completing all tasks and pushing himself to achieve extra challenges set.

**Silva B** for her fantastic, effective sentences written in her English work.

**Dylan D** for showing great improvements in her presentation; you have worked really hard Dylan, well done!

**Olivia P** for showing dedication to her English work, choosing to complete comprehension work as part of her Golden Time.

**Charlie A** for amazing effort with his English work and being organised for his learning throughout the week.

**Elliott S** for incredible sentence work and developing beautiful vocabulary.

**Thomas W** for perseverance with some extremely challenging maths work throughout the week.

**Lucy M** for exceptionally high standards of work in all areas of remote learning.

**Oliver A** for making superb progress in English and Maths.

**Harry VdG** for writing really powerful and atmospheric writing in his WW1 trench raid recount.

**Marcus E** for great work and thoughtful responses to feedback.

**Zara J** for incredible focus and progress, especially in spelling and writing; Zara's model of the WW1 tranches was also fabulous!

**Harrison and Imogen D** for a huge amount of home learning completed everyday! Great variety of work completed and an especially well-written suspense description, from you both!

**Poppy G** for the amazing routine that she has got herself into at home. Personal highlights were Poppy's Science experiment and Maths work.

**Daniel A** for being a real role-model with his off-screen bike ride and for the quality of home learning completed.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Goldsworthy