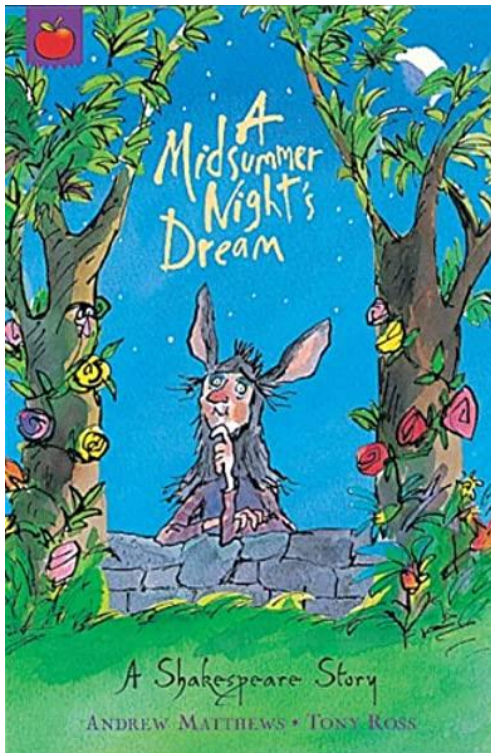


HEYHOUSES ENDOWED C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Letter 29 February 1st 2021

Dear Children,

Week 5 of Home Learning and we have lots to do before our Half term break begins. I have been so impressed with all the 'extra' things you are all doing during Lockdown. Since my early days as a teacher I have seen time and time again that some of the best projects come from YOUR ideas, children, and usually because you are really interested you do your best work and surprise everyone.



I had a year 6 class many years ago, (although it might be that some of your Mums and Dads say 'That was my class!') and the class enjoyed reading a few extracts from Midsummer Night's Dream. Two or three wrote poems from it and then a few more started acting it out, some more added a dance to it and more joined in creating props. Before I knew it, I had a 'production' on my hands, completely planned by the children. Obviously I gave them some help, formalised the play and the poems, organised costumes and generally rehearsed the play. It was wonderful and was performed to parents at the Summer Concert, something which was a tradition in those days. It was an instant hit! And my class were

so proud of their achievements.

I have noticed that you are doing lots of interesting things at home and learning lots of new skills. Do not worry if these are not things on your Home Learning pages, because you **want** to do these things you will learn more and GROW your

brains! Quite a few of you seem to like the idea of being a Presenter, using Zoom to record different things and interview people in your family. I love this idea- you are very clever to think of doing this!

I have been sent some 'Top Tips' about Zoom and have been told I can 'pause' recordings if I want to move to a different location. This is useful since in school I often get 'moved on' from where I think I can film.

Perhaps one Budding Presenter can solve the problem of the Sideways Mr Mackenzie. I am sure he would be greatly relieved to be able to play the piano the normal way.



This is the way I recorded Mr Mackenzie so I have no ideas why the film goes sideways.

So, all Zoom presenters if you create a film you are pleased with and would like to share, please email it across to me at school;

head@heyhouses.lancs.sch.uk

Keep up the effort, like I said, I love your own ideas the best of all.

This week it is Children's Mental Health Awareness week and the Duchess of Cambridge has sent a film for us all to watch in school or at home.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

The theme for this year's Children's Mental Health Week is 'Express Yourself' and focuses on the creative ways children and adults can share feelings, thoughts or ideas through art, music, writing, poetry, dance, drama, photography and film, or just doing activities that make them feel good.



This fits in with our assemblies since January as we have tried to find good things to help us all through these difficult times. We also like to express ourselves at Heyhouses! It's why we love MAD Festival. (Music, Arts and Drama for those new to Heyhouses!)

There are several possible themes for MAD 2021 and I am going to ask you all to help me decide.

- Movies and Musicals
- Famous Artists – Artists and their work from around the world
- Wonders of the World- exploring different natural wonders around the world and man-made creative projects
- Inspired by Nature: Music, Arts and Drama inspired by the environment and nature.
- Discover the Decades: Each year group explores a different decade of from the 1950's onwards
- Tell Me a Story: Storytelling through Music, Art and Drama.

Write to me if you have an idea for a theme for our MAD festival.



Thank you to everyone who has sent me their songs for this Collection of Heyhouses Island Songs.



Heyhouses Island Songs

Please keep thinking about it and send in your ideas. We are going to use them to create a Heyhouses Playlist which we can share via our website. You can give your list a fun Title rather than your Family name, you will know it is yours, no – one else will! See if your friends can guess yours? Follow this link to send yours.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=I06P8kgPYEardKaHunE9In1PwD9vrtpCrMln7e8DETFUQjRLVUREUFNOUdNTTMxUFM0WTZHQjNLUC4u>



Thank you for all the lovely emails, once again.

You have all been busy.

Ewan had a lovely weekend, he helped me bake some cakes and biscuits.

Excellent rolling skills.



A steady hand preparing these cases- well done!



This is very brave-especially when the pigeon flapped its wings!

We went to Ashton Gardens on Sunday morning to feed the pigeons, something Ewan loves doing. He loves feeding them out of his hand.





Well done to Charlie in Reception.

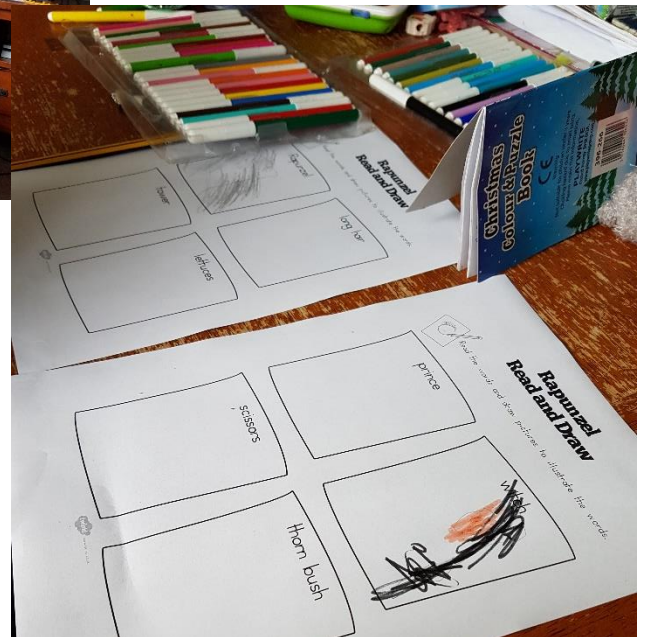
Charlie listening to Mrs Burrow reading Rapunzel and doing the read and draw worksheet xx

Keep working hard. Mum writes that you are all working hard.

Big brother, Oliver sounds like he has been a Superstar! Well done!

Oliver has consistently produced the work set and continues to do it with enthusiasm and 100% concentration even with the unusual circumstances (and noise of 2 younger siblings and a dog🐕). He attends all the zooms and always wants to do show and tell and puts his hand up whilst waiting patiently. He tries very hard and although maths can be challenging, if he gets something wrong he wants to revisit to see where he has gone wrong.

Well done Oliver! This is wonderful news.



This week's theme in worship is Peace. I hope you all have chance to think where you like to go that makes you feel peaceful. It might be the Lake District or the beach, it might be at a grandparent's house, or it might be at bedtime when you have a story and a cuddle with someone in your family. Finding peaceful places and times is really important.



One very special peaceful place. I just need to look at a picture and I feel better, calmer and more peaceful. Have a think before tomorrow's worship about where your place is, and why.



Our beach is another peaceful place for me.

We all need peace and calm in our lives.

Remember, be patient and let's do things safely.

Keep in touch...**KEEP SMILING** ... and keep washing your hands.

With my love,

Mrs Hodgson

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

John 14 v27