## Newsletter 3 Spring 2021



# 22 January 2021

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### Covid Update

We hope that you are enjoying zooming in to our assemblies. This opportunity to meet together as a whole school is really important for our children, particularly those who are working from home.

We do however need to stress the importance of ensuring that this opportunity is only available to the PCA community. Therefore please can I emphasise the need to keep the zoom links private and not share them on any social media platform. I am sure you will all agree that the safeguarding of our pupils is our absolute priority.

Lateral Flow Testing for pupils has now finished, however it continues to take place for staff.

Families receiving Free School Meal vouchers, please contact the school office if you have any queries.

### <u>Upper Primary</u>

Pupils in class 2B have been working hard both at home and school this week.

Lucas has enjoyed our Computing & Topic lessons about machines and space.





Callum has enjoyed mixing colours in his Science experiment!

Well done 2B - keep up the hard work!

# <u>CAMHS</u>

CAMHS are still open to support children, young people and their families.

If you wish to contact them, call the free number - 0800 121 7762.



## We have some exciting news!!

We would like to introduce the newest member of our PCA Family to you all. This lovely little girl begins her journey to join Coco as one of our school therapy dogs. She is a cockerpoo and is currently just 3 weeks old! We haven't decided on a name yet,



this will be chosen next week after pupils have suggested their ideas. We can't wait for her to join us -Coco is equally excited to have a new friend and introduce you all to her ! #PCAamazingdog

#### Lower Primary

There has been some fantastic work being done at home and school. 1C have been working on planting seeds, labelling characters with describing words and their addition skills.



#### Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

1B - Heidi for fantastic learning at home this week.

1P - Isobel for her positive attitude and enthusiasm towards learning.

1C - Tyler for working hard at home, we have been so proud of all the fantastic photos that have been sent to us. We especially like the one of Tyler planting bulbs, well done.

2B - Lucas for fantastic Computing work.

2HD - Logan A for impressive writing.

2M - Leland H for fantastic counting in Maths and working super hard.

2HY - Jake T for always getting it right and working hard.

2H - Samuel for improved confidence around learning and socialising.

2C - Sophie R for always trying her best, even when she finds something tricky, and Ellis for learning new skills at home and being helpful.

### Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

3G - Imogen G for superb effort with her home learning, persevering when things get tough.

3T - Jordan G for sticking to the home learning schedule and handing in every single piece of work each day.

3W - Brodie for showing great resilience playing football and not giving up.

3S - Jasmine for outstanding behaviour & contribution in class.

3GR - Jonathan for all his Art work he has been doing at home.

3J - Sean for all of the excellent work he has been completing at home.

# Key Stage 3

Mrs Whitworth's class have been enjoying a 'Dungeons and Dragons' themed week. They have enjoyed learning about castles & designing their



own coat of arms, and choosing colours & symbols that represented them. Teaghan chose a bee to represent that she was hard working and Brodie chose a castle to show he was protective. They took a lot of time in making their dragon eyes using clay. Kristopher did a great job making small scales and Emire used the tools well to



make different patterns on the clay.

KS3 students have also been learning a variety of skills at home this week. Marley has enhanced his Maths knowledge by learning about different coins. Whilst both Jordans have had their chef hats on in the kitchen. Those cakes look yummy!

<u>Sign of the Week</u> This week's sign is "**dog**". To celebrate PCA's new therapy dog.



## Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 9 February, 10.30-11.30am -** SENDIASS session for parents & carers

Friday 12 February - School closes for half term

Monday 22 February - School re-opens

Friday 26 March - School closes for Easter

Monday 12 April - School opens for the Summer term

# Key Stage 4

KS4 enjoyed making cakes this week, combining Maths skills with PSD and Technology. They made chocolate cupcakes and



banana cupcakes; weighing out all of the ingredients and reading the recipes. Once cooled, they iced them too. They tasted delicious - amazing work from KS4!

### KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

4H - Tyler P for his excellent English work.

4W - Tyler Q for completing all his work, he has worked really hard this week in school.

4M - Kerrie-Louise for extended sentences in English.

4I - Lexi for doing so much work and being an absolute delight this week.

5T - Jack H for outstanding effort in online learning at home.

5C - Jamie for fantastic remote learning.

5P - Javier for working hard especially on his life skills and always having a positive attitude.

5B - Joe E for a great effort when practising using coins at home with his family.

# Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Students in school this week have been looking at how to draw themselves in a pop art style.

They used Julian Opei and Andy Warhol for inspiration, as they explored imagery



from advertising and comic books.



Mirabelle has been developing her independence skills through cooking, cleaning and even ironing. It is fantastic to see her mastering these skills in preparation for Independent Living.