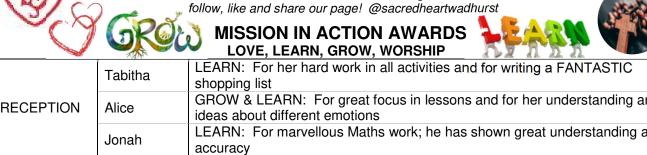
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RECEPTION		Shopping list
	Alice	GROW & LEARN: For great focus in lessons and for her understanding and ideas about different emotions
	Jonah	LEARN: For marvellous Maths work; he has shown great understanding and accuracy
YEAR 1	Freddie F	LEARN & GROW: For great, confident Maths work and for being ready and keen to improve his work
	Marcus	LEARN: For a great characterisation for the Hare and Tortoise story
	Barney	GROW: For confidently putting up his hand during the online lessons and for lots of excellent work!
	Ottilie	GROW: For attending the Zoom lessons and doing tasks mostly independently
YEAR 2	Liam	GROW: For getting so much enjoyment out of reading for pleasure
	Iris	LOVE & GROW: For expressing herself so happily through her clothes making
	Рорру	LOVE: For always having such a positive and happy attitude to everything we do at school
	Isaac	GROW & LEARN: For his very imaginative poetry work this week
YEAR 3	Eloise	LEARN: For her brilliant English work this week
	Mae	GROW: For tackling more of her work independently and for the high standard of work she has been producing
	Gus	LOVE & LEARN: For his hard work, enthusiasm and participation
YEAR 4	Harrison	GROW: For his hard work and perseverance during lockdown
	Seren	LEARN: For her conscientious approach to her lessons and some fantastic pieces of work
YEAR 5	Mariella	LEARN: For working hard, completing every task including extension work and for taking great pride in everything. She also produced a fantastic short story this week
	Aaron	LEARN: For working very hard, concentrating well and taking an active part in Zooms, presenting his work well and taking care. He also produced a fantastic piece of art work this week
YEAR 6	Bella	GROW: For showing real resilience and maturity when technology failed her this week
	Freya	LEARN: For the high standard of all her work in lockdown and for a really wonderful start to her owl drawing
	George	LOVE: For always working to a high standard and for showing love and kindness

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PE	Thomas (Y4)	For the longest and most creative obstacle course		
	Paddy (Y3)	For a great obstacle course and great team work with his sister		
	Mary (R)	For a great obstacle course and teamwork with her brother		
	Teddy (Y1)	For fantastic creativity in his obstacle course by adding props and music to it!		

WELLBEING WEDNESDAY 7 February

We will continue the wellbeing theme as we approach the end of this challenging half term of lockdown learning. On Wednesday the teachers will not set a formal lesson for the afternoon following the whole school HITT lesson. Instead we ask the children to complete a wellbeing activity either for themselves or with family members, or take some time to contribute to someone else's wellbeing, perhaps by contacting a lonely relative or friend. Class teachers will use the non-marking afternoon to prepare any outstanding resource packs to support home learning for the second half of term. As we do not yet know exactly what the arrangements will be for schools, we aim to be prepared for the current home learning sessions to continue for a while at least. We will contact parents to arrange for collection of the home learning packs in a safe and efficient manner.

Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing Week

This week we have been focusing, in addition to our usual timetables, on what makes us feel good and our preferred form of self-expression. The plan was to tune in more to our feelings, to express them and to take responsibility for our own wellbeing, understanding that emotional health is just as important as physical health and that one supports the other.

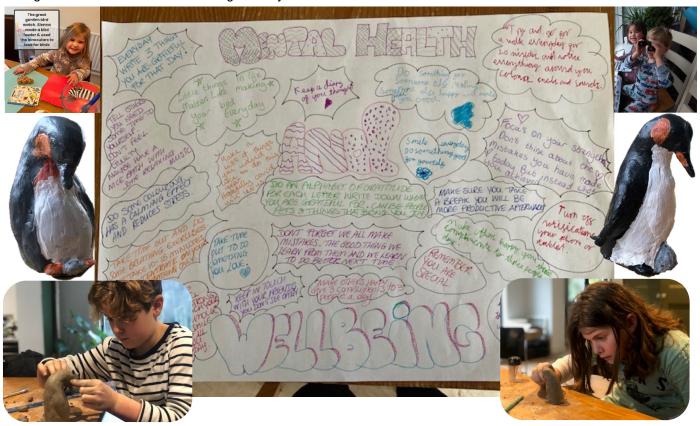
The sad news of Sir Captain Tom Moore's death coincided with our Wednesday Wellbeing Assemblies. He is a great example of someone who dared to try to make a difference and showed how one small ripple created a tsunami that was felt around the world. Despite the difficulties, the pain and the discomfort, 99-year-old Captain Tom raised almost £40,000,000 to support the work of the NHS – through the simple act of walking. Lockdown did not limit his life but gave him wings to fly, achieving more in his final year of life than many of us could hope to achieve in a lifetime. He is a bit of a hero!



What can we learn from Captain Tom?

- The importance of walking and talking: get outside in nature, walk every day; talk about your feelings: share your fears, your joys, give your worries away.
- Optimism: look for the silver linings, count your blessings, try to look on the bright side because what is the alternative...
- Tomorrow will be a better day
- You'll never walk alone: look for the helpers and look for opportunities to be a helper too

Hopefully the blue skies and sunshine will lift all our spirits today; look for signs of spring on your weekend walks, a sign of new life and better and brighter days to come.



Thanks to all of you for your wellbeing responses. Members of the Sacred Heart family have expressed themselves, through creative activities including clay and mindful art, dress choices, listening to and making music, baking, dance, playing board games, bike riding, smiling, writing poetry, caring for animal, bird-watching, spending time in nature – and these are just the ones I have heard about! Well done for your wellbeing work. Remember this is a work in progress, keep it going and notice that ripple effect: when you are happy, those around you often catch that happy feeling too.

Another busy and exciting week at Sacred Heart School where learning is fun!

FOUNDATION STAGE

We have enjoyed a whole week of activities and stories about healthy living.



Comments made by the children:

"I feel adorable" "My bucket fills up"
"Superheroes make me happy"
"I like this dress_it's lovely"
"This is my favourite dress and tights — it's
rainbow"

We painted pictures of our faces to describe how we were feeling. We played a game where we had to tell each other why they are a good friend.



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RECEPTION

This week Reception have had a focus on well-being linking into Mental Health Week. We shared the book Ruby's Worry and spoke about how everyone has different worries but by talking about them, our worries can get smaller. Some children then created their own balls of emotions, showed different facial expressions or wrote about their happy place. We have spoken about the importance of looking after both our minds and our bodies by eating healthily. Amongst all of the learning and hard work, we have also had the chance to focus and relax by taking part in yoga, meditation and massage.



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We enjoyed learning about how birds have different beaks because they eat different kinds of food. We helped out a factory making bird food to work out what kind of beak would be best suited for which kind of food,

using spoons, clothes pegs, scissors and tweezers as beaks and dry pasta, rubber bands, sticks and marbles as food.

For Children's Mental Health Week we listened to the story 'In my Heart' and made our own

heart shapes, writing messages about how we feel or about how much we love someone special. Some of us will pass on our heart shapes to the people they were written for, hoping to cheer them up and make them feel loved.



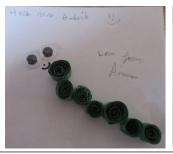
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We've been rather adventurous in Year 2 this week, trying things we have never tried before like quilling in Art. The snails we created were really fun (and rather addictive) and quilling was

excellent for our fine motor skills as it was extremely fiddly

to do! In English we have been writing poems on our senses. Here is our class poem on 'Touch' and Isaac's "Who Will?" poem based on Horrid Henry and Perfect Peter! Again, it's been another fabulous week of very hard work from ALL the children!







Hello Emily!

Thank you for making me!



Who will touch
A slimy old frog
A shark's sharp tooth
My dad's stinky old sock?
NOT ME!







Who will touch A fluffy cloud A delicate flower A soft baby's cheek? I WILL! By Isaac





TOUCH by Year 2

I can touch squelchy slime that squishes in the palm of my hand
I can touch a delicate flower petal that wriggles in the breeze
I can touch a beautiful velvet dress that comforts my skin
I can touch a glittery diamond that is as sparkly as the stars in the night sky
I can touch a burning volcano that erupts in my hand
I can touch a marvellous colourful rainbow that lightens up my day
I can touch a slimy slug that slithers round my palm
I can touch a cold pebble that feels like it's been under the sea
I can touch a prickly cactus as sharp as a knife
I can touch sticky mud that oozes between my dirty fingers
I can touch soft sheep fleece that feels springy in my hand
I can touch hot fire that feels boiling on my hand
I can touch smooth sand that tickles my toes!



Year 3 has continued to work really hard this week and it has been another busy one! In their English lessons they wrote stories about swapping things, having shared the book The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish. Lots of the swaps in their stories didn't go according to plan! In Maths they have been practising telling the time

and drawing bar charts and pictograms. The class has continued to learn about the Stone Age and the UK in their History and Geography lessons. The most fun they had this

> week was creating their own Andy Warhol Pop Art inspired portraits! Using black and white photos of themselves as a starting point, the children then coloured them in with striking and contrasting colours. I'm sure you'll agree they are really colourful and fun!

> > The computer Slap

The Day I Learnt My Lesson

Let me tell you a thing or two about swapping . . . IT NEVER ENDS WELL! This is why . . .

Once when I was seven, or eight, I thought it would be cool to swap houses with my friend Ellie, so I asked her if she'd like to. She agreed, so we swapped! Ellie loved my house, but I didn't like hers - it was too old, her bed was too hard, and to be honest I missed my

The next day I went back to my old house to ask Ellie if we could swap back, but Ellie called "No sorry, I've settled in very well with my toys, and your bed is really comfy! Say thanks to your Mum and Dad for letting me swap with you!" as she ran up the stairs. I was feeling very miserable, then I had an idea . . . we could re-decorate Ellie's house to look like mine! I called her back downstairs and we decided on a plan.

Once we had done the work on her house Ellie was finally happy to leave. I got my home back, so I was happy too!



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This week, the children in Year 4 have been continuing to write and review poems in English and have been plotting the co-ordinates of polygons in Maths. At the end of last week, the children

use of props and even music! In Science, we learnt



produced some really creative weather forecast videos for our Geography work. They reported from tropical countries with the

"Love and care for each other like good brothers and sisters"

Take a friend his shopping

FaceTime grandparents so they don't feel lonely

FaceTime friends so they don't feel lonely

Send Papa cards and a birthday cake

Feed the sheep to help Daddy

Feed the dogs to help Mummy

Feed my pony to help him in winter

Talk to Ron & George on my morning bike ride to keep them happy &

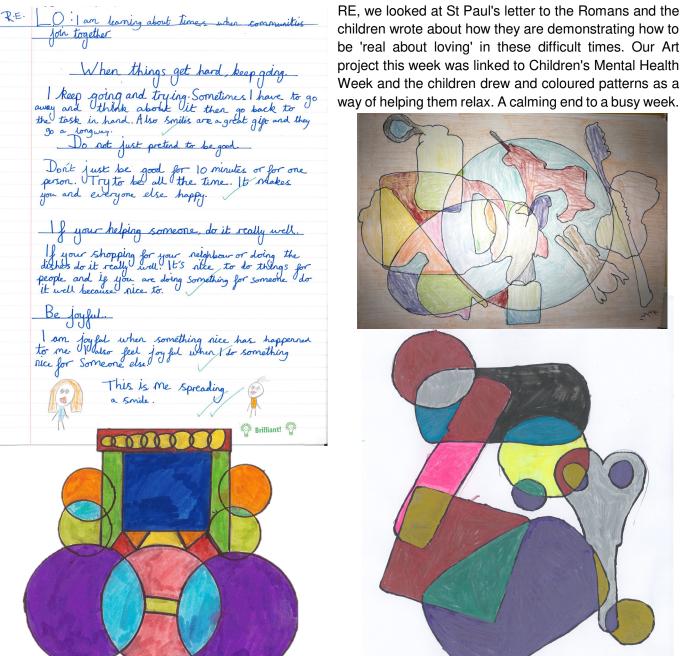
Make Ray a cup of tea

Write cards to thank people for my Christmas presents

Donate food and money to Dom's Food Mission

Move the logs to help Daddy and to keep us warm

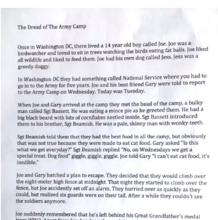
about the melting points of various materials and some children took part in an 'ice cube melt challenge'. In



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This week Year 5 have been learning how to apply their fraction skills to word problems, how to multiply fractions and how to work out equivalent decimals. In Literacy, they have been writing their own short stories

which have an unexpected twist or a mysterious cliff hanger..... In Science they have been finding out all about metamorphosis, and they drew lifecycle diagrams showing the metamorphosis of butterflies and dragonflies. In R.E. they have been investigating their Diocese and the role of the Bishop and the symbols of his authority. They remembered when Bishop Richard came to the school to open the new Nursery Building and how exciting it was to meet the Bishop in person. In



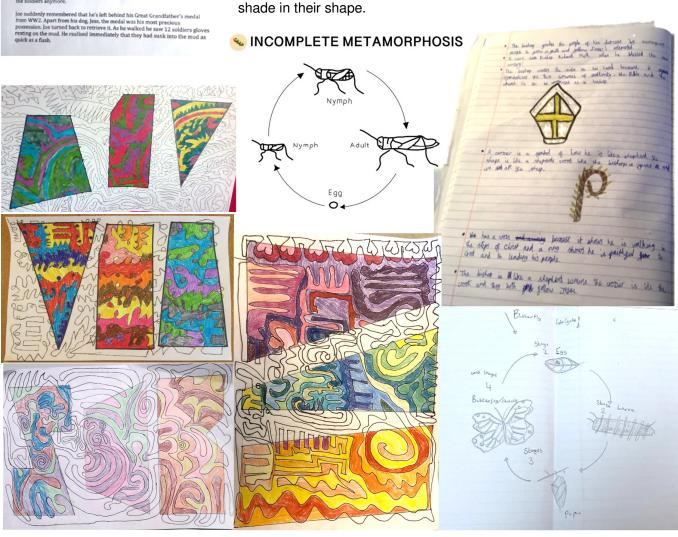
Geography they have been learning about the Channel Tunnel and trade between France and England. In Art, the children had to draw a continuous line on A4 paper- the line was not allowed to touch and had to be made into an interesting design on the sheet. Three large shapes

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then had to be drawn over this. The children were then asked to choose from four categories: primary, secondary, warm and cold colours to shade in their shape.



This week in Year 6 children have begun a unit of work which focuses on the novels of J.K. Rowling. They have revised word classes and sentences and punctuation through reading and writing letters which ended up with writing their own 'howlers' (letters sent magically to

complain about someone's behaviour).

In Art, they have started to draw their own 'post owls' using a grid technique to help with proportion to produce accurate drawings by reducing the pictures to series of small

squares. You can see some examples of their

work developing here.

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My dear old chap.

Hagrid's Hut

Scotland

Hogwarts School

Why did you let Harry and his ginger friend into my home? Also, the ginger guy HATES my kind! That car nearly KILLED my children! If you bring more friends, I will come with all of my children and EAT them!

I am grateful that you have looked after me since I arrived here, in the pocket of a traveller, BUT I will not allow you to bring any more to my home.

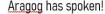
Vernon Richard Dursley,

It's come to my overseeing attention, that during our efforts to safely and wilfully transport Harry to Hogwarts, not only did you further mistreat the boy, you also hid from him our

I was unsure, really, of what to expect from you, Dursley. But even for your actions, this is far too foolish. The trials that you have put this boy through are the Muggle form of He-Who-Shall-Not-Be-Named's will.

When Harry is next placed into your care for the summer, if he comes back with a word of abuse, there will be consequences - more so than just a tail for your son.

Minerva J. McGonagall

















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