



Trawden Forest Primary - School Newsletter

Every child matters; every moment counts.

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Friday 12th June 2020—Headteacher's Note to Parents:

(borrowed words...)



Today marks twelve full weeks since our school closed and our country went into lockdown due to the coronavirus.

You have had your children home for more time now than you would if they were on summer holidays.

People will say 'but they are your responsibility' and while that is true, no-one could be expected to have imagined this period now set before you.

You have protected, nourished, educated, supported and entertained your children during a period of national and international uncertainty and fear. You have experienced emotions for yourself and your family that you never knew existed, never mind experienced before.

This is a long time.

Think about how you feel at the end of the summer holidays, how ready you are for routine, how badly your house needs cleaning and toys tidying, how much work you are ready to catch up on.

Remember that exhausting feeling of having so little sleep, much less money and hearing 'mum/dad' every time you happen to sit down.

And you wonder why you are exhausted after all this time in lockdown?

You are amazing!

You have achieved something no other parent ever has!

You have faced this time unable to take your child or children anywhere, no parks, holidays to break up the boredom, no day trips, no family to help.

On top of that, you have juggled loneliness on a level never experienced before, information overload from the internet and emotional turmoil of not being able to see people you hold dear.

Even getting food to eat has been a major drama!

So it's ok to feel drained.

It's ok to feel like you would sell your soul right now for five minutes alone.

It's ok to feel uninspired about another day of home schooling, of never ending laundry and cooking.

It's ok to be so very tired. It is a long time.

But you have made it.

Be proud of yourself. Stand tall.

History will show you for your courage, your children will remember this period as a time knowing they were safe and loved and teachers everywhere are deeply grateful that you are there for your children when they should be but can't be.

In short: you are awesome!

And so are your children.



Thank you for your continued understanding, patience and support!
Stay safe and take care, Mrs Stinchon





Hello Reception.

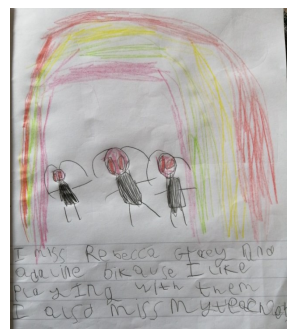
Wow!

What a colourful week we have had! This week we had a princess who turned into different coloured animals for maths, a monster full of different coloured feelings for literacy and a whole host of rainbows. Those people who posted their work looked like they were having a lot of fun. I've seen rainbow fruit kebabs, rainbow drinks, rainbows made from toys, rainbows made from flowers, rainbow ice lollies and an outstanding rainbow wind chime that Ollie and his Daddy made together. And of course, many of you really enjoyed using sweets to make a rainbow, especially when there were lots left over!

I'll try to get some more fun activities for next week so we can all keep smiling.

Keep posting your photos and videos on Tapestry.

Mrs Alcock, Mr Lomax and Mrs McGowan.



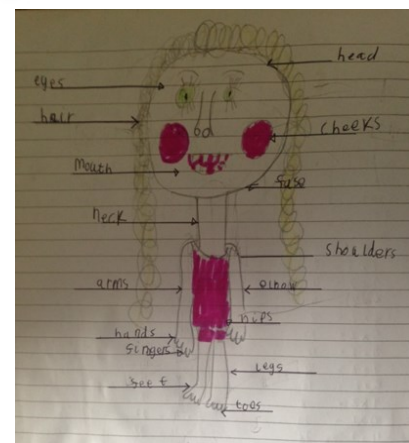
Hello everyone!

We hope you are all ok! We miss you all and love seeing what you have been up to. We know that things are strange and that lots of you are looking forward to getting back to school but you are doing so well. Over the next few weeks we are going to try to do lots of different activities to help you and to make sure that you are having fun! Hopefully you will enjoy the 'just for fun' activities this week. Please feel free to upload pictures of what else you have been up to as well.

Finally, we need to give birthday shouts out to Polly and Emily. We hope you had lovely days!

Take care, keep washing your hands and stay safe,

Love from Mrs Beetham, Mrs Wiseman and Mrs Nelson.





Hello Year 2!

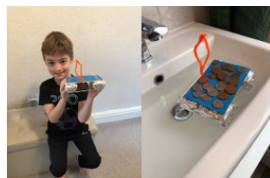
What a week we have had! I've just been looking through our class journal on Seesaw and we are now above 1900 posts. I cannot believe that next week we will be over 2000! You are working exceptionally hard and I have enjoyed seeing everything you have created.

Thank you so much to the children who wanted to join in with the 'For Fun – Crazy Face and Hair' activity. I laughed so much at all of the pictures and I am sure you did when you saw them in the Student Announcement section of Seesaw. Did you see the photo of Mr Irvine and Mr Lomax? They loved the activity and really wanted to join in too.

I am teaching in school all next week; this means that other teachers from school will be helping me to check all of your work. But don't worry, I have still set all of the tasks and I will continue to look through each day because I really like seeing everything you make. You will like this week's English because it is all about stories from Oliver Jeffers. If you have any of his books, can you send me photos on Seesaw?

Take care, stay safe and have fun!

Mr Loynds and Miss Hart.



Hello Year Three,

I hope you've all had a lovely week, the weather isn't as nice as it was in half term (which is rubbish) but it means that you've been inside and have been even more busy on Seesaw! If that's possible.

In English, we have been looking at what it means to be healthy. I asked you to create an eat-well plate to show the portions of food groups you should have in your diet and you sent some amazing pieces of work. They were really colourful and informative and some of you have even put them on your fridge to remind your family about portion sizes, which I'm sure they'll appreciate. I then asked you to become personal trainers and create a wake up shake up game for others to use. All of these were brilliant and I'm even going to use some with the children in school next week! I'll let you know how it goes.

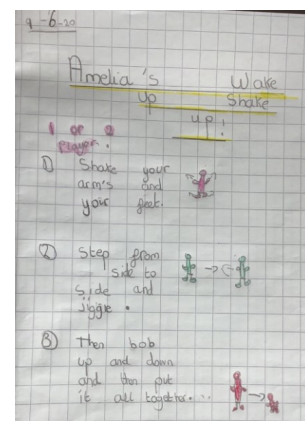
I know you've all been working really hard and sometimes it can be a bit of a struggle to get started with your work. So, next week I'm still going to set English and Maths work for 4 days but there will be no science and topic set. Instead there will be some PSHE activities for you to do, things such as meditation and reflection to make sure you're taking care of your mental health as well as your physical health.

Keep safe and please keep helping your parents as much as you can.

Take care,

Miss Lambert and

Miss Whittam



Hello Year 4,

We hope that you are enjoying your family time and that you are still working hard and helping out at home. Please remember to upload photos of the other activities that you have enjoyed doing at home. We have particularly enjoyed looking at your quizzes, dreams for the world and also some of those things that you love and both agree that family is extremely important.

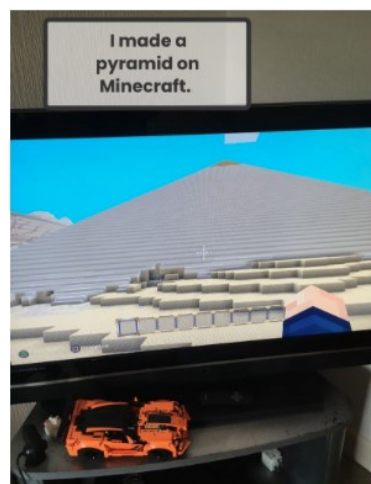
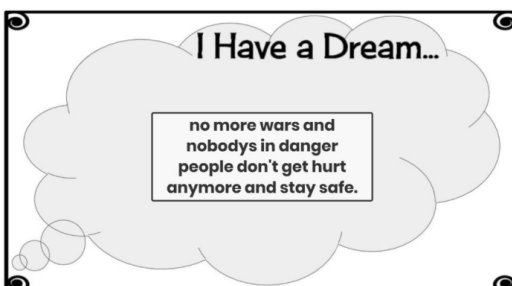
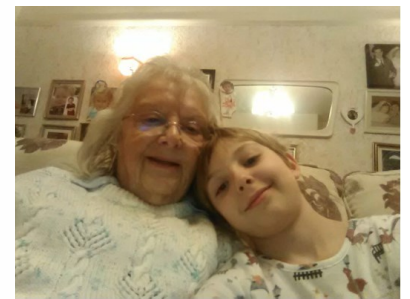
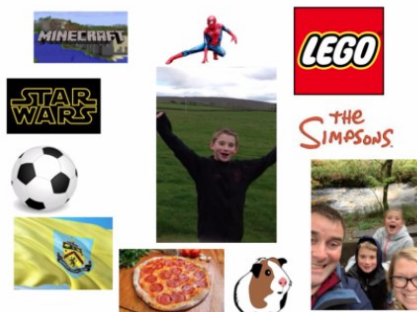
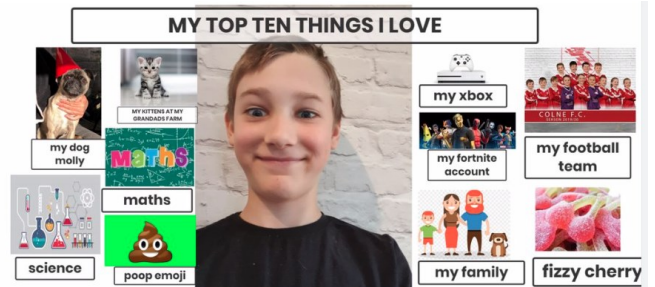


Next week, we'd like to see some photos of things that you've been doing with your family. Perhaps you've been on a walk or baked something, painted a wonderful picture, climbed a tree, made a kite or had a different adventure.

Hope you enjoyed the jokes - we liked yours too!

Stay safe but enjoy your family time.

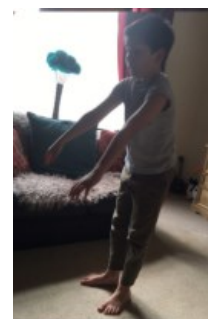
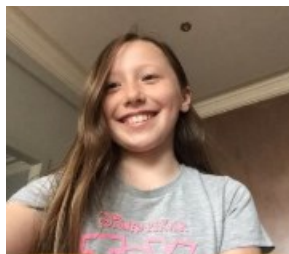
Love from Mrs Atkinson & Mrs Whittaker



Good afternoon Year Five,
It's a rainy Friday afternoon, but speaking to your parents and seeing your wonderful faces completing work on Seesaw is making all of the difference. I hope you've welcomed the change to addition and subtraction in maths, and that this week's English work has made you think about who inspires you. I've also spotted some wonderful rainforest based work, and great lego challenges too! It's also been great putting messages that all of us can share our ideas on, our likes and dislikes, and have a little conversation on. I'll keep adding those, plus more GoNoodle, yoga and outside activity links next week – the weather is due to improve again.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Take care and stay safe,
Mrs Dixon and Mrs Stansfield



Yesterday a parcel arrived at school addressed to Mr Loynds. Mrs Stinchon rang Mr Loynds to tell him. He was very pleased and very excited. He will be back in school on Monday and he can't wait to open it!

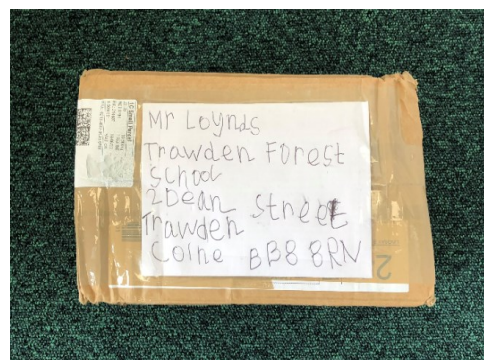
Until then, I have a challenge for you ...

What is in the box?

Can you guess?

We will let you know on Monday.

Good luck guessing!



These figures are since we started to use seesaw as our home learning platform.

All Time for Trawden Forest Primary School

10,476

All Time Posts Added

14,611

All Time Comments Made on Student Work

12,267

All Time Likes of Student Work

Thank you to all the families who are continuing to work on line from home via seesaw. We appreciate your commitment to working this way and your encouragement of the children to learn each day. We are aware that sometimes there are technical hitches and devices can't open certain things. Thank you for your perseverance and please do not hesitate to ring school for support if you need it for seesaw or anything else.

The staff feel this is a fabulous way to keep in contact with the children and support their home learning.

They will also continue their personal home phone calls on a regular basis to check in with families and their well being.

Keep up the fabulous learning and activities until we are able to meet again.



Please can all the children who are sent paper packs for home learning remember to take photos of their work and activities and upload them to Seesaw or send them via email for the teacher to look at and comment on.
DO NOT FORGET the packs are ready for collection after lunch on Mondays!



Hi Year 6, Thank you for all the stunning still-life photographs and painted pebbles of encouragement you have sent in this week! Once again, we have been extremely impressed by your imagination and creativity: what a talented team we have! I wanted to include as many as I could and I hope you spot one of yours.

Please keep posting your work as it is so encouraging to see all the wonderful things you are managing to do from home.

Keep safe Year 6, Love from Mrs Clark, Mrs Bottomley and Miss Gallagher



Lottery - A supporter has donated their winnings! We wanted to let you know that Mr R has just generously donated £13.20 in winnings to our school! Thank you x



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