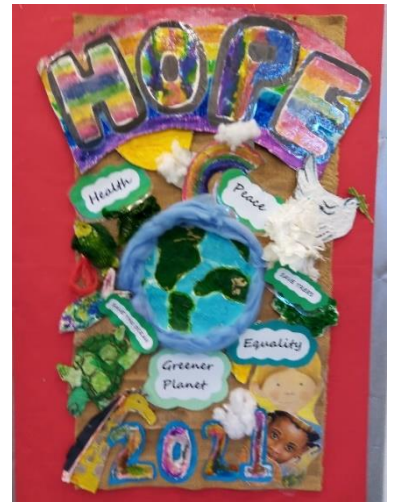




*Friday 29th
January 2021*



Update on school closures

The latest announcement this week has stated that schools may not begin to re-open until after 8th March at the earliest. We will have further details after 15th February.

Home learning support

If you need access to laptops, please let us know. We have only a small stock for loan but we will endeavour to support you.

Parents need to be congratulated for their huge efforts to support children at home. It is not an easy task and we know some of you are being pulled in different directions with work and younger and older siblings.

Here are a few things to remember:

- If you can't do it all - don't worry - just do what you can.
- If technology falters, use the workbooks or the BBC/Oaks academy programmes
- Expect some ups and downs - we get those days at school too
- Try and make the class Zooms/Google Meets on Mondays or Fridays if possible
- Make time for you to enjoy the fresh air, do some baking or some drawing. Or write a letter to an older relative or neighbour.
- Most importantly, be proud of what you have been able to do - it all helps

Maths

We have heard that some parents are finding the newer maths methods a challenge. Remember that White Rose have videos that can help with this. Also, ask the children to show you what methods they use - they know lots of them well. We are planning to put some tutorial videos on the website for parents to help with calculations.

Pet Day



Thank you for bringing such a variety of pets with you to pet day. It was a Zoom to remember



Flexible Friday themes

Friday 5th Feb - Food and drink day (staff are really looking forward to this one!)

Friday 12th Feb - INSET day and Freedom Friday for children

Sycamores

Sycamore Class, at home and at school, have been very busy furthering their understanding of 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret.' They have made 'Pinecone Robins' in Forest School which looked amazing. Additionally, it was wonderful to see so many children on Google Meet, sharing their gorgeous animals and things they have made. I was delighted to see the beautiful drawings of the animals and the detailed reports telling me things that I did not know. Thank you for all your hard work on Google Classrooms - you are all stars.

Ash



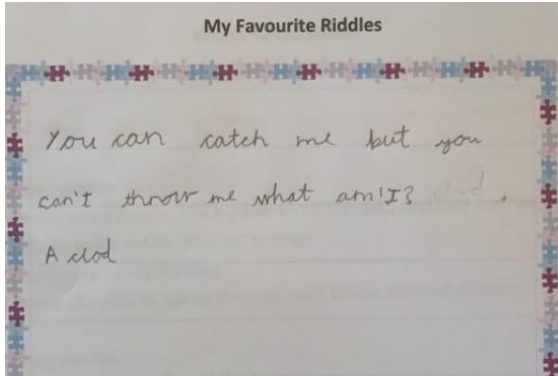
What another great week of learning from Ash class. You are all continuing to work really hard and we are really enjoying looking at all the work you have sent in. This week we asked you to make a model of the Iron Man and we have had some fantastic models made at both school and home. This is Buddy and Maisie's model and we think it is just fantastic!

Keep up the good work Ash class, we are all very proud of you.

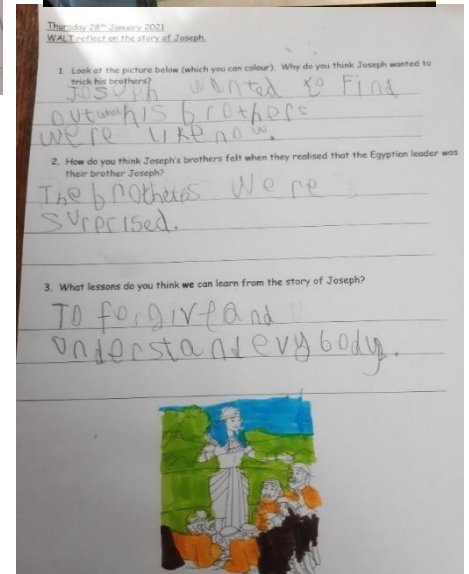
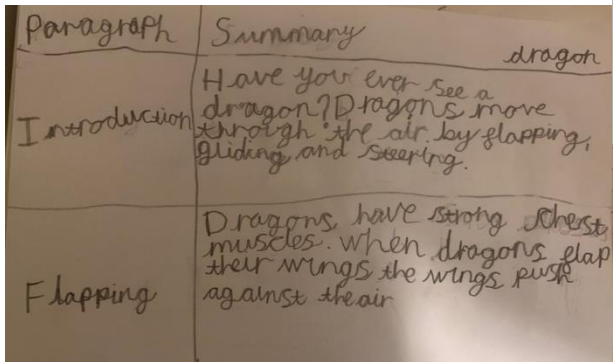
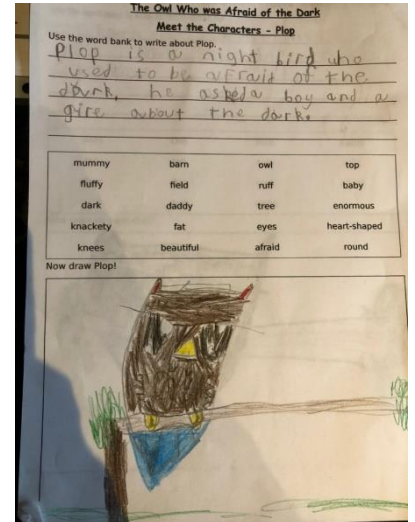
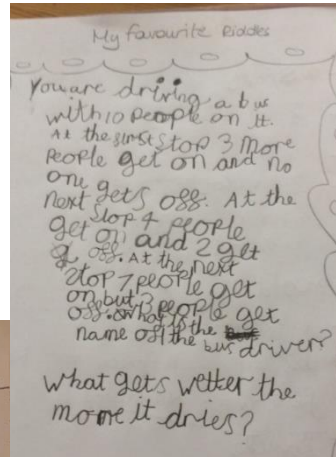
Oaks

This week Oaks have been having fun with money and number lines in maths. We finished our Joseph story in RE and have done lots of writing about Plop the baby owl. Year 2 had fun with some riddles in their grammar task. We also made some lovely owls, which we drew ourselves and then glued on some feathers.

Children at home have been busy doing PE with Joe Wicks and making cakes, amongst other things. Everyone is getting used to Tapestry and it's really lovely for Mrs. Simpson to see what everyone is doing. Some fantastic work!!



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Safer Internet Day - 9th February 2021

To celebrate and support this important campaign, the Community Safety & Wellbeing Team are hosting a number of FREE webinars for parents & carers. The webinars will explore some of the key factors to be aware of regarding the online space and exploitation of children & young people. There will be a key focus on the following topics: trust online, fake news, conspiracy theories & radicalisation.

To book a FREE place, please use either of the links below:

[9th February 2021](#)

[12th February 2021](#)

West Sussex County Council Library Service

Please see the attached flyer, which details what the library service has to offer.



Finally, a **Huge** thank you to **@Home Estate and Letting Agents** who ordered cakes through **The Little Tea House** in Lintott Square for school staff in the local area. They were much appreciated and absolutely delicious.

Kind regards

Mrs Jen Harvey and Mrs Karen Stocker