

**January 2021** 

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**HEAD TEACHER'S** 

**HIGHLIGHTS** 

Hope you are all well and have had a good week. It's surprising how quickly everyone adapts to the ever changing circumstances. The staff have done a great job with balancing class teaching and remote learning. It's wonderful to see the work going on in

the classroom and at home and to know that the children are keen to learn wherever they are. Thank you for all your positive comments and feedback for what has been going on both in school and at home, it is much appreciated by us all at Church Aston.

If your child is at home, they should now have a set of reading books to support their reading, if you need any more or anything else from school then please don't hesitate to contact me. I will be catching up with you next week to see how your child is getting on with their reading and making any adjustments if necessary.

Our children are as resilient as ever but it does feel a bit harder for them regarding this lockdown. I have spoken to many of you during the last couple of weeks and it is a difficult time for everyone. I know it's a big juggle to be working and home learning or taking risks being at work. I can only say try and remain optimistic, there are lots of things coming through to help the situation like extra testing, vaccinations. Plan something safe and fun to do at home, enjoy your daily exercise and pass on a smile to the people around you.

My best wishes to you.

Jenny Griffiths

#### THIS WEEK THE WINNING TEAM IS

### LOW TEAM



Well done to all the children at home and at school that have earned a team token for their work this week.

### IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT

#### INFORMATION

Information for parents and carers about the closure of schools and other educational settings following the outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19).

Click here to be directed to the gov.uk website.



### Share your great tips with other parents here.

There is a great game on the Royal Mint website called 'Count with Minty' where you have to add coins to minty to make the sum shown. There are also lots of coin related activities to do

https://www.royalmint.com/competitions/games/count-with-minty/

### **FRUIT IN SCHOOL**

Please could the children in school bring a piece of fruit to school with them for their break time. We are currently having difficulties with the supply from the National Fruit Scheme and not receiving our deliveries.



#### **SCHOOL DINNERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Monday – Big Breakfast

Tuesday – Chicken Curry

Wednesday - Baked Potato

Thursday - Pizza

Friday - Fish and Chips





#### **READING PACKS**

We have put together some reading book packs for children that are learning from home. If you have not already received this and would like to collect a pack of books then please contact the school and we will have them ready for you to collect.



# CLASS-1

We are really enjoying our 'Live' sessions now and apart from a few technical issues the teachers and pupils are enjoying our contact times. As we are covering the same work at home and in school it has been nice to share our work with each other.

Reception have looked at a story about Max the dog. Through sequencing events in that story it led to some wonderful dog (or ladybird) stories of their own. In Maths there have been lots of games comparing numbers to 5. We have learned the digraphs 'ai' and 'ee' this week

Year 1 had a pirate story where we looked at interesting vocabulary, character study and comprehension questions. Year 1s wrote questions using 'wh' words after our phonics session. Year 1s have been using part-part whole models and bar models to show number bonds to 10.

**Note to home parents:** Can children at home make sure they have some self-raising flour,(1 cup), some milk (1 cup) and an egg to make some pancakes. Fruit or honey can be added too. A very simple Jamie Oliver recipe. We will be doing some cooking at school. Probably on Thursday.

Thank you to all parents for your support and cooperation. You are working so hard and we appreciate everything that you do.



STAR OF THE WEEK

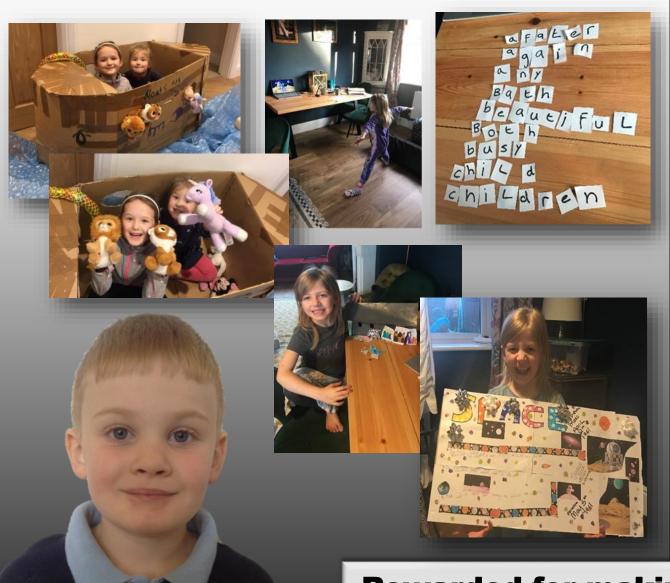
Rewarded for always coming onto Teams with a smile and completing all her tasks.

# CLASS 2

I am so proud of all the children in Class 2! You have all worked hard either in school or at home. Mrs Griffiths loves joining our sessions and seeing you all working hard.

We have come to the end of our book 'Vlad and the Space Race' and we were all surprised to find out animals were the first living things to go into space. I particularly loved the pictures of what the children thought they would see from their rocket window. I felt like I was really travelling through space when I looked at them. Next week we are going to write information about space exploration in a report using statement sentences.

The children have really enjoyed learning about money and they confidently count on in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s using the coins and notes. Also, the children have used the number line to help them count on, well done!



Rewarded for making me smile when he joins the online lessons.

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# **Home Learning**

### **RETURNING WORK ON TEAMS**

Have you noticed the return/turn in work function in Teams? The teachers will indicate to you which pieces of work they would like returning using the return work function.

This will be located in your assigned work, select add work, upload your work select turn in. We do not need every piece of work uploading. Your Class Teacher will indicate work she would like returned. If you do have a particular piece of work you are very proud of and would like to share please also send this in too. We will monitor how this goes to make ensure it's manageable.

#### also

Want to scan a piece of your child's work? If you have an apple phone or ipad you actually have a scanner.

- Click on the 'NOTES APP'
- Open new note
- Click Camera button and option to scan will pop up.
- Once a document is scanned you can continue to add notes to the document.
- Click the share icon and choose the way you wish to share Teams/ E-mail/ etc

To view a video on how to do this visit <a href="https://www.mrpict.com/free-examples.html">https://www.mrpict.com/free-examples.html</a> It is currently the second video on this page.



### **BBC BITESIZE PRIMARY LESSONS ON TV**

The BBC has now started their curriculum-based programmes on BBC1. For **primary school pupils**, CBBC will show BBC Bitesize Daily as well as popular shows such as Our School, Celebrity Supply Teacher, Horrible Histories, Art Ninja and Operation Ouch.



In addition to this a huge range of online lessons can be accessed via the Internet.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/this-terms-topics

### **SCHOOL HOME LEARNING PROGRAMMES**



https://online.espresso.co.uk

Username: student26973

Password: aston3



A 3P Learning Product

https://login.mathletics.com/

Refer to your child's diary for their password.



If you need anything to help support your child's home schooling during this period of national lockdown then please do not hesitate to contact us.

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# **Home Leaning**



www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.spellingshed.com/en-gb

https://classroom.thenational.academy/ (Online lessons)

https://www.pobble365.com/ ( Pictures to inspire crea-

tive writing)

**Alphablocks** 

http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/english.htm



- <u>Mathletics</u> (check your child's diary for their Login details)
- https://classroom.thenational.academy/
- Numberblocks
- www.topmarks.co.uk
- www.snappymaths.com
- www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize
- https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/
- http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/maths/ maths.htm

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- www.bbc.co.uk/teach/
- supermovers
- PE with Joe https://www.youtube.com/playlist?
  list=PLyCLoPd4VxBsXs1WmPcektsQyFbXTf9FO
- https://thepehub.co.uk/free-content/



