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Pictures of the Week

As I write this, the sun is streaming through my window and I can almost taste the promise of spring around the corner; it's a welcome reminder that better times lie ahead!

Members of staff working from home and in school have been very busy during the last week. As well as preparing lessons, giving feedback and presenting on Teams, teachers attended an EdTech Teams workshop, reviewed current home learning provision and set up meetings for parents of pupils with additional needs. Here at school, we've made improvements to the layout in Panda Class to accommodate the Key Stage 2 pupils in school; taken delivery of a big pile of tyres to extend opportunities for creative playtimes (thank you CHIPPI!); and started work on refurbishing the old library. I have attended OCC training (on Teams) on social distancing, lateral flow testing and risk assessment. I've also held online meetings with governors on safeguarding; stakeholder engagement; and remote learning provision – and met with School Values Ambassadors online for the first time.

I know that pupils (and parents!) have been very busy too and teachers have all been very impressed with the fantastic independent learning that is clearly going on – thank you all!

Warm regards,

Gillian Seymour



Welcome Zac

We are delighted to welcome **Zac** to our school. Zac joins us from South Africa and has already fit very nicely into year 2. We all hope he will be very happy here.

Happy Birthday to....

Trey who was 9 yrs old on 18th January and to **Zac, Marley** and **Coco** who all have birthdays today!!



Online Drama

Perform is running online drama, dance and singing classes during the lockdown via Zoom. All children are welcome to try a free trial session. More information can be found here: <https://www.perform.org.uk/free-drama-class>.

Worship for Sunday 24th January 2021

11am Holy Communion with Revd Kevin. 636 645 195 and passcode 000162. A communion to share at home, with hymns, prayers, and a sermon. *Please do not share the zoom codes on social media. Thank you.*

And Finally....

What starts with E, ends with E and has only one letter in it? An envelope!

Children in Owllet Class have been thinking about the story of the Gingerbread Man. They also made and decorated their own gingerbread people. Here is **Kay-Jay's** fantastic effort!



Owl Class followed instructions to create paper snowflakes of different sizes



and patterns, and then turn them into a piece of artwork.



Alex made a fabulous bug house, complete with



ladybird decoration.

Holly played the 'Cup Game' to practise performing a piece of music that uses two beats in a bar.

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