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Hello everyone,



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I hope this finds you and your families safe and well and you enjoyed a very different Easter this year. Father Brian still made sure that the Easter Candle was burning brightly in St. Mary's Church on Easter Sunday, reminding us in this difficult time of the light of the risen Christ in our world.

Thank you for being so supportive with home learning and embracing our new way of 'school' life as best as we can. Please remember that our priority for the children and our families at the moment is that they are happy and well. We do not want you to feel under pressure to complete all the activities that are suggested by the teachers. If you could just have a go at some activities and make contact with your teacher on a regular basis through either Showbie or Tapestry, that would be great. I would to say a huge thank you to all the teachers, who have made an extra special effort this week to make sure their class has a wealth of exciting activities to continue their learning in a way none of us ever thought would happen.

We thought it would be lovely in this newsletter to celebrate some of the home learning that has been shared with the teachers.

Look out for my next 'Weekly Challenge,' which I will upload to Showbie and Tapestry on Monday. These challenges are just a bit of fun and a way of bringing the school together by taking part in one activity. We will put the results of these onto Facebook so you can all enjoy everyone's creativity!

Please stay in touch and let us know if we can be of any help. If you are a key worker and you need provision at school for your child, please email me on <a href="mailto:ldraycott@st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk">ldraycott@st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk</a>.

Take care of yourselves. We are missing you all very much. Mrs. Draycott, Head of School

## **Useful Links**

**NSPCC** https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-suppport-children-familiesparents/ Call 0808 800 5000 for advice or if you are worried about a young person.

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https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/supporting-your-child-during-thefighting for young people's mental health coronavirus-pandemic/

> Tips, advice and where to get support for your child's mental health during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.



www.childline.org.uk - call free on 0800 1111. E-mail can be accessed through their website for support and advice

If you see something,

Multi-agencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk (MARU) can provide advice to concerns about the safety and welfare of a child or young person.



https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-and-domestic-abuse/ coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-victims-of-domestic-abuse

For anyone who feels they are at risk of abuse, it is important to remember that there is help and support available to you, including police response, online support, helplines, refuges and other services. You are not alone.

★ https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals Check if your child can get free school meals in England and find out how to apply on your local authority's website.

# A Sample of the Work Children have been Doing!



Ruben's creative chalk drawing of Ancient Egypt (Class 5).



Duncan's entry to Class 4's Spring Flower Show.



Milly from Class 4 has used her imagination to create her beautiful Springtime picture.



Evie from Class 3 made a World War 2 Timeline.

## **Further Links**

Guidance from Public Health England for parents and carers on supporting children and young people's mental health and well being during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online

Whilst there are huge benefits to being online in order to stay connected to family and friends during this period, the government recognises many parents may feel concerned about the activities and content their children are accessing. This guidance outlines resources to help keep children safe from different risks online and where to go to receive support and advice.

#### **Coronavirus**

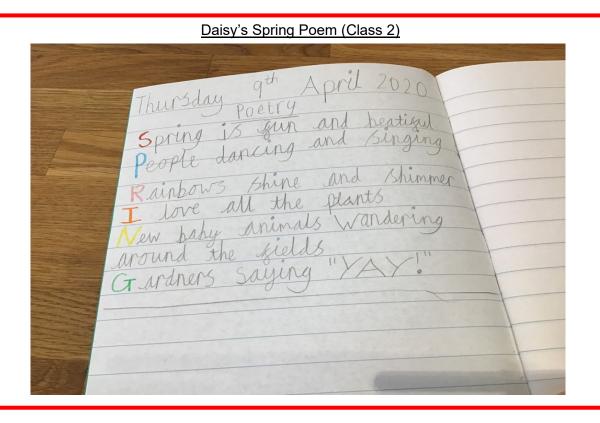
Please note there is a page in the 'Parents' section on the School Website about school closure due to Coronavirus. This information is also available on Facebook, Showbie and Tapestry.

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ParentPay Link to Help Parents - when withdrawing funds from their ParentPay account

https://www.parentpay.com/DOCH/school-support/index.html@page\_id=9276.html



# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Connie's Signs of Spring (Class 1)

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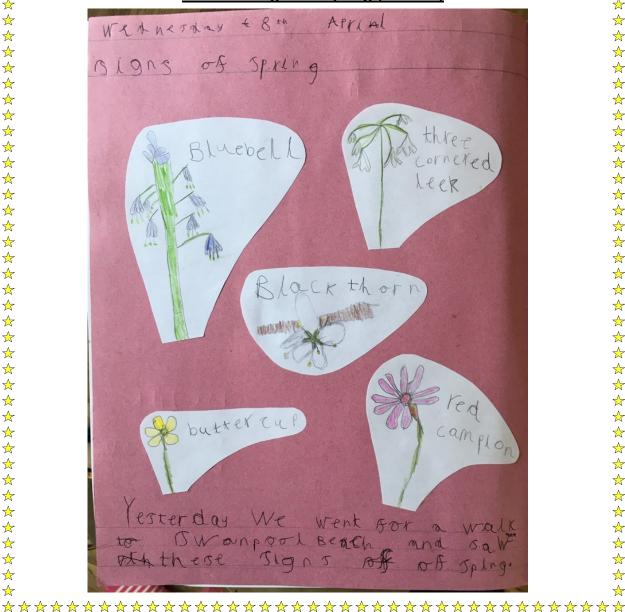
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# More Examples of Pupil's Work



This took Holly (Class 6) a very long time, but look at the finished result! Wow!

Max from Reception Class enjoyed writing about his imaginary bug.

