

## Keeping in touch - a matter of Safeguarding



Thank you to all the pupils who have been keeping in touch with their class teachers.

Please remember to ask children to do this once a week. It can be a message about work or other things they have been doing at home and need not be long at all.

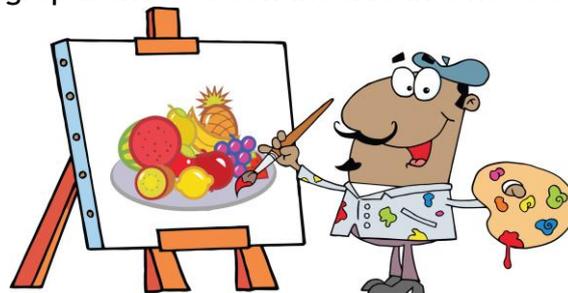
For the unusual times in which we find ourselves, maintaining regular email contact is the key way for teachers to uphold their ongoing, legal safeguarding responsibility. If teachers cannot get in touch with parents or pupils, it raises concerns which will be recorded and escalated appropriately, including in some circumstances to external services.

**Please help us avoid getting to this point by emailing each week.**

## Calling all budding artists!

Broomfield Hospital is trying to create a wall of thanks to decorate corridors so the staff, support services and patients can see bright and beautiful drawings by children in the local community. We are sure that Barnes Farm pupils would love to be involved in something so worthwhile, so we're asking you to take part by creating an image that will cheer and encourage our wonderful NHS workers by using your best drawing and colouring skills.

Drawings must be A4 so that they can be laminated and should have our school name and your first name only. When you have finished, you can bring it to school on any weekday between 8.30am and 4.30pm and hand it in or post it to us. Please hand these in by **Monday 11th of May**. Mrs Cornforth's husband is an NHS worker at Broomfield hospital and he is going to arrange for them to be taken and put up in the same place in the hospital. Then he will take some photographs that we can include in a newsletter in May/June.





## Home learning resources

We hope you have found the Oak National Academy online learning user-friendly and engaging for the children this week. We have received positive feedback so far and will continue to use this resource for future weeks. Please note:

- Parents and pupils **should not** feel stressed about the amount or the depth of what is being learned at home. We know these circumstances are putting pressure on families and we don't want to add to that. **Any** learning you can get done at home will be helpful! All schools will work extremely hard to pick up where we left off and we won't be assuming that every child will have been able to cover the same content while we have been closed.
- Parents are free to choose an alternative provider to supplement the Academy lessons if they wish - a very comprehensive list was emailed with the newsletter on 26<sup>th</sup> March. If a lesson on the Oak Academy looks too easy, too difficult or not interesting enough - please look at another year group lesson instead or use another provider such as BBC Bitesize.



## Keeping active resources

One of the attachments sent on the Newsletter email this week is a document from the Chelmsford School Sport Partnership, which has further ideas for keeping fit and active at this time. It also has a short profile on our own Sam Cook, with some cricket-related challenges for children and families.

Active Essex is running lots of live activities to keep everyone active. All live sessions are running on their YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6884snA6rAX34ohUayf7gA>

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning		7:30-8am Tai Chi for Health with Tara			7:30-8am Morning blast with Kelly	8-8:30am Pilates with Karen	
Lunchtime		12-12:30pm Seated Aerobics with Lindsey	12-12:30pm Cardio Combat with Lily	12-12:30pm Yoga with Martyna	12-12:30pm LBT with Essex Fit Mums	12-12:30pm Football training with Ben	12-12:30pm Move it or lose it with Sandra
Afternoon	3-3:30pm PE with Hayley		3-3:30pm Primary Children Fitness with David	3-3:30pm Sport for Confidence	3-3:30pm PE with Mr S	3-3:30pm Karate for all with Richard	3-3:30pm Sport in BSL Sign with Jack
Early evening	5pm Dance for the launch of Keep Essex Active!	5-5:30pm Netball skills with Louise	5-5:30pm Yoga with Martyna	5-5:30pm Total Tone with Chloe Townsend	5-5:30pm Staying mentally fit with Jo		
Evening	7:30-8pm Body Combat with Gary		7:30-8pm Leg Endurance with Ben	7:30-8pm Strength conditioning with Chris and Karen			

● Gentle exercise   
 ● High Impact   
 ● Active Families   
 ● Health & Wellbeing

## VE Day celebrations

Both Barnes Farm Schools had plans for a joint celebration of VE Day next week, including a street party on the playgrounds! We are disappointed that none of this will now happen but we have thought about ideas for a 'Stay at home' celebration that we would encourage you to do:

**BARNES FARM SCHOOLS**

**VE DAY 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020

**STAY AT HOME CELEBRATION**  
Commemorate the end of WW2  
by celebrating with your family!

**Celebrate VE Day by...**

- Dressing up in red, white and blue
- Decorate your house in red, white and blue
- Colour and display your VE Day poster in your window
- Listen to and learn a VE day 1940's song.

Learn about VE Day at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/48201749>

- Have a VE Day celebration picnic in your garden or inside with your family

Don't forget to take photos of your celebrations and send to us so we can share in our newsletters.

**STAY HOME**

**75 VE DAY**  
75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION  
8-10 MAY 2020

The Royal British Legion has also come up with suggestions for marking this special day and this has been attached to the Newsletter email (webpage links for activities included).



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## Job opportunity



We currently have an excellent opportunity to work at Perryfields Infant School.

Are you a whizz with a duster? Can you zoom with a broom? Do you take pride in making everything sparkly and clean?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, hardworking person to join our small friendly team of cleaners. Previous experience is desirable but not essential.

The role involves undertaking various cleaning tasks around the school, including the use of some specialist machinery (training will be given), as well as emptying bins, cleaning floors, wiping surfaces, dusting, cleaning washroom areas etc.

Title of Post: Cleaner

Start Dates: ASAP

Salary: Band 1

Shift Pattern: 15 hours a week, 38 weeks per year + 5.1 holiday entitlement = £5,818.96 (£9 per hour excluding statutory holiday entitlement) overtime given for additional deep cleaning.

The successful candidate can select the preferred shift pattern that best suit them to either 6:30am-9:30am or 3:00pm-6:00pm per day Mon – Fri.

Contract Type: Part-Time

Contract Term: Permanent

Start Date: ASAP

Date of interviews: To be arranged

Application Close: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020

For further information and or an informal discussion about the vacancy, please contact the school office on 01245 268714

### How to apply

Please contact the office and ask for an application form (also available on our website) and send to [admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk) or post to Perryfields Infant School, Lawn Lane, Chelmsford, Essex. CM1 7PP.

Perryfields Infant School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. As part of the Safer Recruitment process the successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check.



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Jokes - Match the question to the punchline (number 3)



See if you can work out the punchline



If you can't - try to match from the selection below

1. What happens when a frog's car breaks down?
2. Why does a stork stand on one leg?
3. What's a snake's favourite subject at school?
4. What's do you call an elephant in a phone box?
5. What's black, white, black, white, black, white?



- a) Punchline: Because it would fall over if it lifted up the other one!
- b) Punchline: It gets TOAD away!
- c) Punchline: Hissssstory!
- d) Punchline: A penguin rolling down a hill
- e) Punchline: Stuck!

Answers on next page

Jokes - Match the question to the punchline (number 3)

Answers: 1b, 2a, 3c, 4e, 5d



Jokes supplied from: The Little Puffin Joke Book

## Home learning examples

Thank you to all of you who are responding to my request for examples of your home learning or other activities you have been doing. Please send more to me or your teachers by emailing through eSchools.



Grace from Year 5 and her family have been setting themselves challenges to do every week - this week was to get creative with toilet rolls!

Samuel from Year 4 created his own version of PPE using recycled bags.



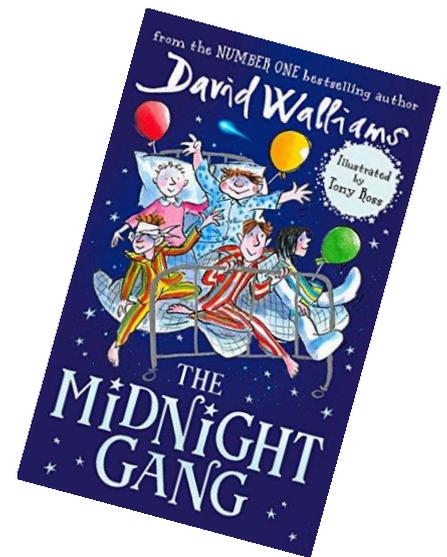
Ava from Year 6 made and edited a video of herself performing the poem 'Stop All The Clocks' by W.H. Auden. She recorded it for a competition run by her drama group - which she won - and dedicated it to remembering all those who have lost their lives because of the coronavirus pandemic. The video is shared on our website [here](#).

## 4H book club

Mrs Hollick set 4H a challenge to use one of their class eSchools message threads as an online book club. When they have read a book they need to post a quick (spoiler free!) review to give other people some ideas on what to read and their recommendations might be helpful to other children in the school. Here are some of the reviews so far:

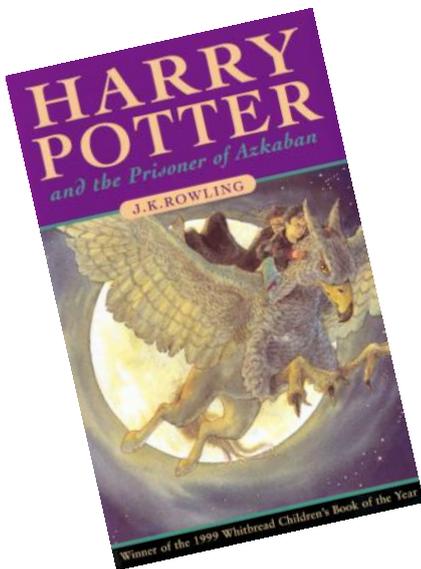
### Ethan

I have just finished reading *The Midnight Gang* by David Walliams. I really enjoyed this story. The story is about a gang of children in a hospital who go out having crazy adventures at midnight. There is a boy called Thomas and he is the main character, he goes to boarding school with really gross dinners!



### James

I have just finished reading *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* by J.K. Rowling. I really enjoyed reading this book because there are 2 boys and 1 girl, they're called Harry Potter, Ron Weasley, Hermione Granger. The start of the book takes place on a train, where Harry faints. What does he wake up to...? Who escapes from the wizarding prison, Azkaban and how?! At Hogwarts they meet Malfoy and his friends and get ready for Hogsmeade. Will Harry make it to Hogsmeade...? Who wins the Quidditch league...?



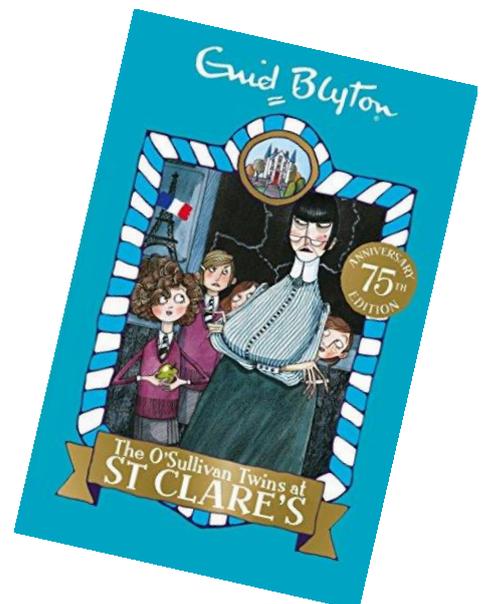
The best bits were 'Hippogriff' and the escape...

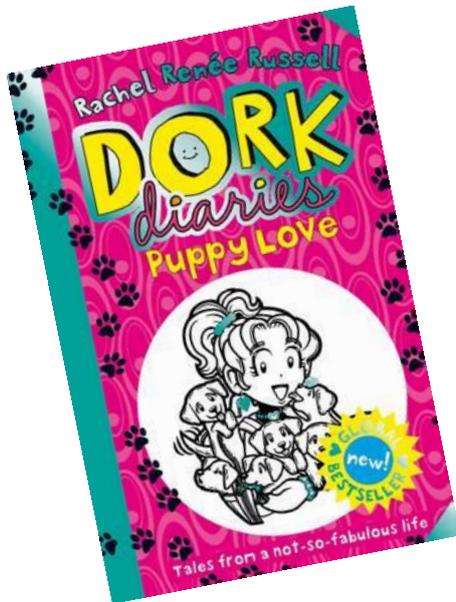
I am excited to read book 4 and see what happens next!

I am also reading the series of football books called *Ultimate Football Heroes*, they are easy reads and great if you enjoy football like me. I have read Van Dijk and Paul Pogba.

### Emily

I just finished reading 'The O'Sullivan twins at St Clare's' by Enid Blyton - it was a great book and it had drama and excitement. I also finished 'The naughtiest girl in the school' (also by Enid Blyton) - it was a book about a spoilt girl called Elizabeth who did not want to go to school so she decided to be so naughty so they would have to send her away but the school would not let her until half term and only if she was unhappy. Will she go home or will she turn around and stay?





### Lilli B

The book is called 'Dork Diaries Puppy Love' by Rachel Renee Russell.

If you LOVE puppies then this is the book for you!

Operation: PAWS!

Nikki's Mission: Hide 7 Puppies from 2 parents, an entire school and 1 mean girl out for revenge!

(Mackenzie is the mean girl)!

A boy called Brandon volunteers at an animal shelter, but the animal shelter is too full to take a litter of abandoned puppies, a girl called Nikki decides to look after them until the shelter has more room. Simple, right?

Ummm no!

Her parents won't allow dogs in the house, so Nikki has to hide the pups at home AND take them to

school in secret... but the dogs are a lot harder work than they look - and messier too! Is Nikki's plan going to end in a pawfully dorky disaster?!

My favourite part is when Nikki's little sister Brianna gave the puppies a peanut butter spa in mud and toilet water!

Anesu from Year 4 has created a 'Chalk Walk' fitness trail on a local cycle path. Children have been coming past to try it out which has been lovely to see.



She has also been busy in the kitchen! What do you think she was making?



And here are images of some of the activities being done by the children who have had to be at school (in addition to their Oak National Academy online learning):



One of the craft activities this week involved painting a rainbow on a paper plate then cutting it into hanging mobiles with pictures of NHS 'Health Heroes'. If you would like to learn how to draw the 'Health Heroes', see this YouTube video: <https://youtu.be/xMXJtiaNTac>



The children also worked hard on this large poster thanking the NHS and Key Workers. It has been attached to the railings on the turning circle.