

This week's year group news...

Reception In this, our fifth week of the Summer term and, would you believe, our seventh week of home learning, we will continue to have Kevin the koala and Australia as a focus. Maths challenges on YouTube will move on to an exploration of teen numbers. This will include recognition and naming, ordering and a sense of tens and ones. Daily phonics will also be available as always on YouTube. Creative activity on TAPESTRY will include a look at musical instruments fashioned from junk (sorry in advance) including the opportunity to make a didgeridoo! Purposeful writing will explore writing invitations and letters. The written outcome will be an invite from Kevin the koala to a house warming party. We will also look at Australian folk tales and try to make up our own. Keep sharing via TAPESTRY and look out for your friends and teachers. We thank you for your continued support and miss you all very much.

Year 1 Hello Year 1! We are loving seeing so many more photos and videos coming through on Teams, please keep them coming! We are asking you to post your favourite activity once a week (obviously we would love to see more though!). Next week in Maths you will be starting to look at Fractions and in Writing you will be using the story 'Superworm' for lots of exciting activities. If you have any questions at all please contact us on Teams. Remember, if you have come to the end of your Phonics sequence, look out for the 'end of sequence' video and that will explain what to do next. We hope that you have been enjoying our Superhero topic, you should be all fit and healthy after Mrs Wilson's Superhero fitness training this week! Your pop art pictures are looking fantastic, look out for another Pop art session using your own photos next week!

Keep up your amazing work Year 1!

Year 2 Hello our wonderful Year 2s! A huge thank you to those of you who are sharing your amazing work on Microsoft Teams – all your teachers are so impressed! Keep uploading your work and for those of you who are yet to access, do get onto Teams as it is a great way to keep in touch with your classmates and teachers and we love to see what you're getting up to. So what's the plan for next week? In Maths with Miss Naismith we will be moving on to measuring mass in grams and kilograms so get your scales at the ready and prepare yourself for some home baking! Miss Naismith's recipe will simply require 200g of unsalted butter, 200g of caster sugar, 1 large egg and 400g of plain flour. But, if you want to wow us with your own fantastic baking recipes at home then feel free to follow a different recipe for when the time comes – just make sure you share your yummy recipes with your class on Microsoft Teams! We will be moving into the final week of Mrs Boalch's fabulous comic strip lessons – you will be using everything you've learnt to create your own amazing and individual comic strips. Mrs Nicholls will be providing fantastic reading sessions on Horrid Henry and then two days of traditional tales with a twist! Finally, we will be having our third and final sessions of Pop Art with Mrs Boalch, this week with a computing element! You will be adding colour to black and white pictures using a laptop or iPad. Enjoy your week Year 2, stay safe and we look forward to seeing what fantastic work you produce next week. From all the Year 2 Teachers and TAs.



More year group news...

Year 3 We have had a brilliant start to our biographies unit this week. There has been lots of fantastic research into lots of different famous people including Alice Cooper, Sir Francis Drake, Julian Beever and Sir Robert Falcon Scott. The teachers have definitely learnt some new facts about these people and we think the children have learnt a lot too. We are gearing up over the next week to write a biography of our own but first we will focus on a WAGOLL biography about the street artist Banksy. We were delighted to see his new art work at Southampton Hospital which shares our views on how amazing the NHS are. Some children have also completed this weeks topic work showing their admiration for key workers including the NHS workers where they designed memorials for people from Plymouth that they felt deserve to be remembered. Next week, we will continue to look at The Whales' Song in our reading lessons. Our Maths learning will continue to build upon our understanding of equivalent fractions and move on to comparing and ordering fractions.

Year 4 During week 5, in writing we will be making sure our skills are prepared and ready for action when we write our very own myths next week. So, this week, we will remind ourselves with a review of three vital skills: the use of fronted adverbials, extending our sentences using conjunctions and adding speech to our text using accurate punctuation including inverted commas. We will end the week reminding ourselves of our model text 'Thor's Stolen Hammer'. I will also share an idea based on this text and then the children will plan their very own version of the myth. This will all lead to writing their own myth in week 6! In reading, we will be continuing to look at 'George and the Dragon' by Chris Wormell. We will use our retrieval skills to answer questions, sequence the order of events and finally, using our vocabulary skills, we will write a paragraph to tell our reader what happened after the story had ended. In Maths, we move to looking at time, beginning with converting between hours, minutes and seconds in order to work out the winners of different races, as well as to ensure the perfect cooking and baking times for the treats that are getting us through being stuck inside! We will then move to converting between days, weeks, months and years, solving problems involving calendar dates and even leap years for those brave enough to attempt the Chuuta Challenges!

Year 5 Firstly, we would like to say a MASSIVE well done to Sam in 5C, who has become the second member of his class to enter the Millionaire Club as part of our Accelerated Reader scheme. There are currently 7 children in the whole school, who have earned this prestigious title, and 3 of these children are in Year 5. Well done to Phoebe in 5S who is also a member of the club – you should feel very proud of yourselves! Looking at the word counts, there are 4 other children across the year group, who could easily become members within the next few weeks – you can do it! Our year group word count has increased by 571,196 words. This week's totals are:

5S – 5,890,478

5T – 4,258,056

5C – 7,423,719

In English, we have been preparing to write fact files about minibeasts by carrying out research and making notes. Next week, you will be starting to publish your fact files, which we believe you will really enjoy. We know from your feedback on Microsoft Teams how much you have enjoyed our Superworm and You're Called What? texts. We have been entertained by photos of your learning and finding out the silly names you invented for yourselves. We are thankful that those are not your real names as the registers would take an incredibly long time! Keep up the great engagement on Teams and uploading your outcomes and remember that we also love to see photos of what you have been doing outside of your home classrooms. Stay safe everyone.

Year 6 Year 6 have particularly enjoyed their topic learning this week and we have seen some excellent examples of skull masks linked to our day of the dead Mexico learning. In Maths, we have completed our statistics learning and the children impressed us with their interpreting our chart skills. We have been blown away with the effort Year 6 have been putting into their persuasive writing and have loved seeing their creativity when creating their own tourist attractions - we have definitely wanted to visit a few of them. Mrs Stoffell called out to all Sky Hawk fans to watch a live web cam of an osprey in the Scottish Highlands so the children have also enjoyed watching this. We hope you all have a lovely bank holiday weekend and we look forward to seeing your learning next week.



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This week's highlights & reminders:

Parent Support Advisor - Jo Penk

During this unsettled period, Jo continues to provide vital support to our Goosewell families. She is available each morning from Monday-Thursday and can be contacted via jopenkpsa@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk or via the School Office on admin@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk where a message may be left for her and she will do her best to get back to you. Don't forget to look at the PSA section of the Goosewell Academy website, for information on ideas, support and activities for families throughout this challenging period. Click [PSA](#) to keep informed of all the most recent updates.

Click on the picture below for more details of this weekend's Plymouth's Pirates Weekend, arrrr m'hearties:



Ballet News

Well done to Iyla 2NB for receiving a silver medal in her recent Royal Academy of Dance Primary ballet exam.



Beautiful Sunrises

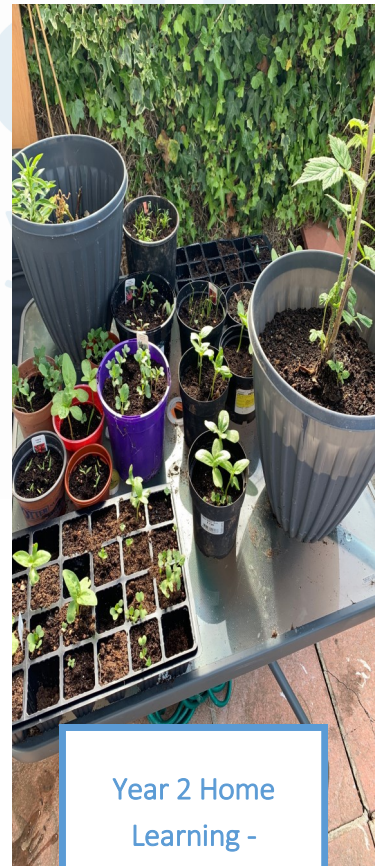
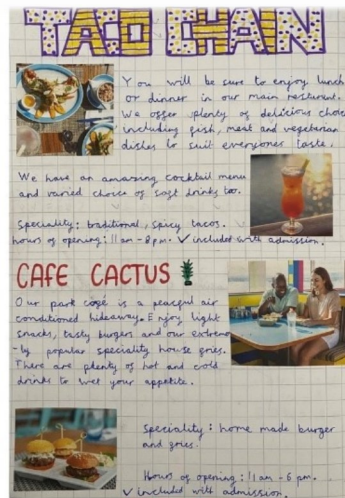
Well done to Chloe 5T and Jack 4L who got up at 5am last week to watch the sunrise and managed to get these stunning photographs with Mum and Dad! We think they should be entered into a photographic competition, or at least displayed on a wall. Well done to the whole family!



This week's amazing home learning:



Year 6 Day of the Dead Mexico Learning



Year 2 Home Learning - growing from seeds



More of this week's amazing home learning:



Next week's virtue is.....**Flexibility**
Willing to change or try different things.





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