

Rise To Greatness

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This week's year group news...

Reception We have had great fun building new houses for Kevin the Koala and designing some amazing house-warming party invitations-well done, everyone! Next week we will be looking at a new text, 'Mrs Armitage on wheels' by Quentin Blake. We will be designing our own bikes, having fun with circles and wheels and writing our own stories about Mrs Armitage. Daily maths and phonics sessions will continue on YouTube and we will be looking at doubling, halving and sharing in practical contexts. Remember to check Tapestry daily for fun learning activities and stories. Thank you for continuing to share your fantastic learning with us - we are so impressed with your great ideas and enthusiasm! We miss you all but Tapestry is a great way to keep in touch.

Year 1 Hello Year 1. Thank you all again for continuing to work so hard at home, you are being superstars and we know how tricky it is. Thank you to those who have managed to send us photos and videos on Teams of your work and the activities you are enjoying at home, they are really lovely to see! Please keep them coming! Next week in Maths you will be continuing your work on Fractions, this time looking at quarters. In Writing you will be looking at Poetry and your Topic session is 'Super Me', so get ready to test some of your super senses! You will have all finished the sequence of your current coloured group by now, so make sure you have a look at the end of sequence video for what to do next. Here are some links to some good phonics games websites to have a look at too...

http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks

http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/

http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-3

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-owl/library-page

Take care everyone, from the Year 1 Team 2

Year 2 Next week in Year 2 we will be continuing with our superhero learning. We think you are all superheroes and have enjoyed seeing your fantastic learning on Teams. In maths we are learning about capacity and will be measuring in litres and millilitres, could we ask that you hold onto any milk cartons or bottles this weekend to help with your 'measuring at home' activities next week. English will give you an opportunity to explore and create your own superhero poems, ending with a performance to your family on Thursday. We have planned some exciting reading activities and you will have an opportunity to explore your own senses. Please keep us up to date with all your learning and home activities on Teams, we enjoy seeing your creative activities, gardening and smiley faces. Well done year 2 you are all doing a fantastic job of being home learners.









More year group news...

Year 3 Year 3 have had another super week of home learning. We are so proud of every single child for the time and effort they are putting into their learning and continue to enjoy seeing what you have been up to when you post us photos on MS Teams. We enjoyed seeing Alex in 3M's science experiment where he adapted his tin foil boat to increase the number of grapes it could hold. Linus in 3Y has been enjoying our reading text and even made a family of whales by painting some pebbles. We hope that you were all able to celebrate VE Day in some way with your families. Edward in 3Y and Olivia-Mae in 3MH had a lovely day and each made some beautiful VE Day decorations for their houses. If you celebrated with your family we would love to know what you did. In our home learning this week, we have been finding out more about Banksy and learning parts of a biography about his life. Next week, we will be writing our own biographies based on a character from Scribbleboy. This will be a brilliant opportunity for the children to apply all the excellent SPaG learning that has been completed over the past few weeks. In our reading lessons, we will move on from looking at 'The Whales' Song' and will begin to look at 'Beware of the Teachers' by Tony Blundell. Over the past few weeks our understanding of fractions has been brilliant but next week sees the start of a new topic. We will begin learning about time- a brilliant area for us to be working on while we are at home. So if you have a watch lurking at the back of drawer, make sure you dig it out ready for our time learning which will begin on Tuesday.

Year 4 In another packed week for Year 4, the children will be drawing to a close on their Traders and Raiders topic. In writing, the children will be using all of their fantastic and creative ideas of the past two weeks to good use as their Viking myths come to life! They will need to consider carefully how their gods and goddesses will continue to protect our Earth from their cruel and evil creatures and monsters! They will use a story mountain to map out their plots over 5 days (this extra writing task will be in place of a topic session this week, although last week's larger than life Viking shelter could take a while!). Next week in maths, we will round off our understanding of time by converting between analogue and digital times and then move to exploring the 24-hour clock. Once confident in understanding and writing digital times, and drawing the hands on an analogue clock face, we will explore some real-life situations. In these, the children will be using timetables and problem solving, ensuring they'll always be on time for the films when the cinemas reopen! And back, due to popular demand, Miss Hingston will be reading more from David Walliams's 'World's Worst Teachers' book and she will be asking you some very searching questions to check your understanding of the text! A real literary challenge to end this most bizarre term! We hope you are up for it, children!

Year 5 Firstly, we hope that you are all enjoying producing your fact file about your chosen minibeast – we look forward to seeing photos of them uploaded to Teams. You put lots of smiles on our faces when we were reading 'You're Called What' as we enjoyed reading the names that you created for yourselves, in addition to the new creatures that were created after combining the animals. We are awarding Dojos on a daily basis for the work that is being uploaded, and it is really rewarding for us to be able to see how successfully you have been able to complete the learning opportunities that we have been offering you. Many of you have been baking, as there have been some amazing photos of your creations – they look too good to eat! We are also aware that many of you have been celebrating birthdays during the lockdown and it has been great to see that you have been able to enjoy a fun filled day without stepping outside of the front door. If you have not been on to Teams for a while, Mrs Clarke is providing regular updates (via photos and videos) about how the caterpillars that she received on May 1st are progressing through their life cycle. If you have not yet seen them, it is worth taking a look. Stay Safe Year 5.

Year 6 This week, Year 6 have enjoyed learning about the Mayan Civilisation linked to our topic learning. They learnt all about their achievements during this time. In English, we saw some incredible examples of poems related to Mexico and in Maths we consolidated some of our mental and written methods for calculations. Year 6 have had another busy week and we have thoroughly enjoyed seeing all of their home learning - particularly their design and technology cooking lessons! We saw lots of delicious looking cakes. Keep up the hard work Year 6!









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.

Mayflower 400

This year, <u>#Plymouth</u> is participating in the @mayflower400uk celebrations, marking the 400 year anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower to America. This weekend, take a virtual tour of Leiden in Holland where the Pilgrims started their voyage. Click on the picture for more details of this weekend's Mayflower 400 virtual tour of Leiden, Holland where the Pilgrims started their journey to the new world:



Routeways



Thank you key workers

Have you spotted these wonderful wooden figures on your walks around Goosewell and Plymstock over the past few weeks? This wonderful Goosewell family have been adding the figure of a different key worker each week to say a big thank you to all key workers. We would like to say a big thank you to for cheering up the streets of Plymstock.















This week's amazing home learning:













More of this week's amazing home learning:











