



St Andrew's Newsletter

19th June 2020

Growing and learning together with God

Thank you to all parents who took the time over the past week or so to provide feedback to the Parents' Council about a number of key issues such as home learning and end of term activities. Thank you to the class reps who sent out messages and collated the feedback.

From this feedback a number of suggestions were made which have been discussed at length this week as part of our Zoom staff meeting.

One of the things that did come up about the use of Class Dojo is that quite often the staff are sending out messages via the class story pages which are for the children. It would be really helpful if parents could share these messages with their children, especially photographs and videos. We are planning to send some more video messages out over the coming weeks in an attempt to engage the children a little bit more with some special projects. Please do show these messages to your children, and make sure you are checking private messages and school story posts every day. Thank you.



Thank you!

Olivia and Emily's fundraising made it into the British Thyroid Foundation Newsletter!

Thank you to everyone who donated to this worthy cause.



Year 6 Updates

Refunds for the Manor Adventure trip are currently being processed through ParentPay. Thank you for your patience with this.

The Friends have ordered Leavers' Hoodies for all Year 6 children as a special present for them for the end of term.

Mr Astill is currently working on the Year 6 Leavers' Video, which we hope to be able to stream or share at the end of term.

Important Dates

w/c Monday 22nd June – Arts Week
w/c Monday 29th June – Sports Week
Friday 3rd July – Reports go out
Tuesday 7th July – Transition Day
Friday 17th July – End of Term

Further details of these events will be sent out via Class Dojo and on future newsletters.

School re-opening updates Reception, Year 1, Year 6 and Key Worker Children

Thank you to everyone who has contacted the absence line to request a place for their child or to request changes to days.

We are almost full in all of the groups across the school. Once these groups have reached their maximum capacity we will be unable to take any more pupils.

If you do have any further requests for a place or a change in days, please notify the absence line by 12pm today.

You do not need to confirm arrangements each week if they are staying the same.

Thank you for your continued support with this.

Road Safety

Over the last couple of weeks, as many schools in the borough have opened their doors to increasing numbers of pupils and parents, it is really important to remember to follow social distancing measures when travelling to and from school.

Here is a link to an information sheet from the STARS team at the borough about social distancing and travel practices on the way to school.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aPmrLReQ8cc_ZgfpDLTfz2JEfPrxNsmd/view

Water Bottles and Nuts

If your child is attending school at the moment, please make sure you send them in with their own water bottle every day.

For hygiene reasons, our water fountains are all switched off and children must have their own water bottle to drink from.

Also, please do not send any nut products in with your child as we are a nut free school.

Autumn Term Displays

During the lockdown period, we have been so impressed with the Class Dojo portfolio posts that have been shared with us. They have shown a huge variety of different activities that the children have been involved in at home; from academic studies, to practical skills, DIY, baking, gardening, making things, painting, decorating, sewing, etc.

In the Autumn term we would like to celebrate and showcase all these wonderful things that have taken place during the lockdown period. Every one of our corridor display boards will be used to show off the children's work and to share some of their experiences with the rest of the school.

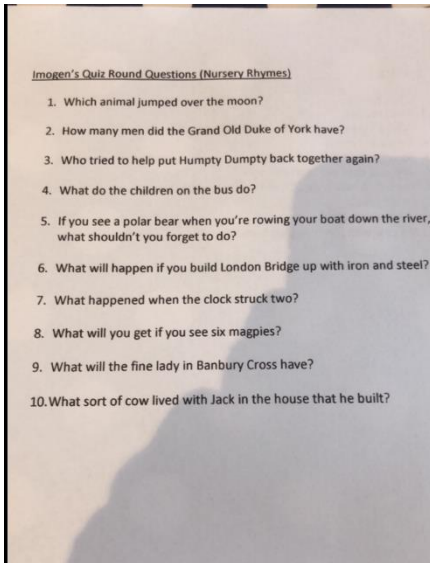
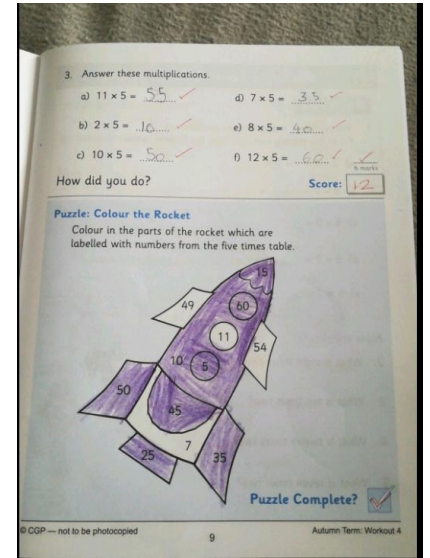
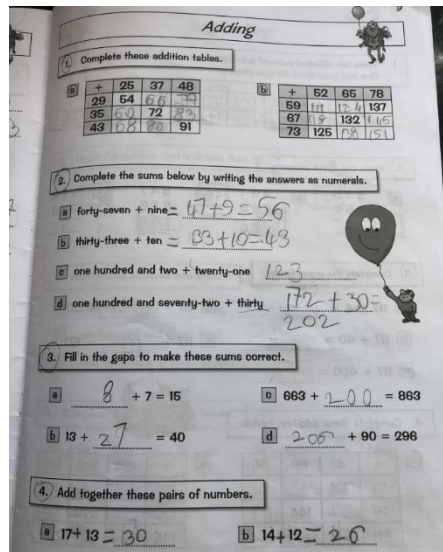
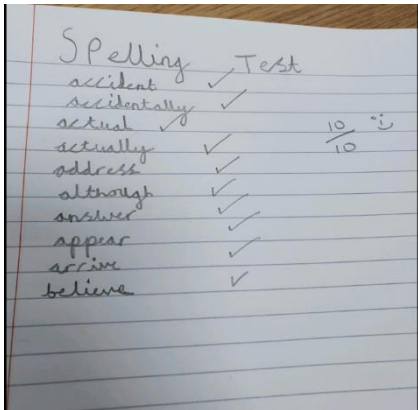
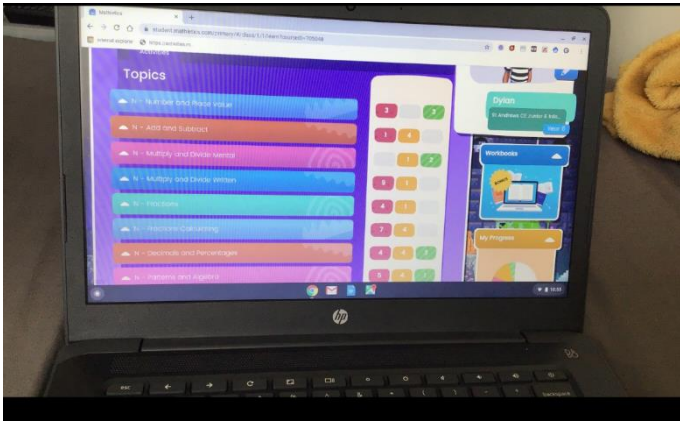
Therefore we would like every child to choose 1 example of something they have done during the lockdown period to go up on display in school. This could be a piece of writing about their experience or it could be something they have made or some photographs of a new skill they have learned. We want to find a way to celebrate some of the positives to have come out of such a difficult time. So start thinking now about the contribution your child can make to a piece of St. Andrew's history!



St. Andrew's Church Broadcast

Every Sunday St. Andrew's Church broadcast an online service which includes a brief section with the young church. Please see their website for more details. <https://standrewsuxbridge.org/>

Here are a few snapshots of this week's portfolio posts. Thank you to those who continue to post work every week. It would still be great to see other families engaging in this way – so if you haven't posted something up on Class Dojo yet, then please do so next week!



Enjoy the sunshine this weekend.

Nicola Edwards

Are your children starting to get bored during lockdown?

If yes, 2nd Uxbridge Beavers can help!



Despite the lockdown, 2nd Uxbridge Beavers continues to thrive and has gone online to run a range of fun and exciting activities including treasure hunts, quizzes, games, craft, baking and in the summer we will even be organising camping at home in a den/tent!

Our meetings allow the children to burn off a little energy and also to safely connect online with other children their own age, which is more important now than ever whilst most children are missing vital social interaction by not attending school.

We have spaces available for girls and boys aged between 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ and 8 years and we would love to welcome your little ones to join in the fun!

During lockdown we meet online, each Thursday 6-7pm (once face-to-face Scouting resumes we will return to the Scout Hut, 2 Gatting Way, Uxbridge, UB8 1ES).

All of our Leaders are DBS checked and undergo rigorous training to ensure your children have fun whilst remaining safe.

If you are interested, please get in touch with Clare Green 07799833035 clare@2nduxbridge.org

For more information, see our website: <https://www.2nduxbridge.org>

Also, throughout lockdown, each Wednesday @7pm our Beavers Leader is live streaming a campfire from his back garden - Follow this link <https://www.facebook.com/2nduxbridge/live/> to view past campfires and join in the fun!