



29.01.21 - Bird's Bush Lockdown News



Remote Learning

A-MAZ-ING!!!! Remote learning this week has been a joy to be part of! Less technology issues means that more are getting on and learning. We know how hard you are all working and how some of you are struggling to keep up with learning with your children and working from home and everything else - you are doing an amazing job!

Since the announcement that we will continue with remote learning until at least 8th March we will be introducing some 'THEME DAYS' to make a change for you all - like we do sometimes in school.

Our first theme day will be next Thursday 4th February and it will be a SCREEN BREAK DAY! Children will still have the first Live session to join in with and their teacher will explain the activities for the day which you can enjoy as a family. We are looking forward to hearing about and sharing your day on next week's newsletter.

Please remember that in the live lesson the teacher cannot see all of the children all of the time. We always have 2 adults in the live session to help and children can always stay on after the input to talk to the teacher. Please remind children that the chat function is for learning chat only and not a social media platform.

Registers are taken at the first live session of the day. If your child is not in this session you may get a text message - just like if they were not in school. If siblings are on one device together please let the teacher know this so that they can all be marked as present on the register.

Please let us know if your child is 'absent' for any reason as remote learning is compulsory during this lockdown and we have to maintain the register. We do try to update the registers during the day if learning on Purple Mash is completed or if they join for a later live session however, being up and ready for the first session of the day is important.

The Government have introduced a requirement for us to publish our Remote Learning Information - you can read it on our website through this link [BB Remote learning plan](#)

If you have any feedback or suggestions, please email us - we want to make it work for everyone!

ART & DT WEEK

We have loved seeing the creativity in your learning this week. Thank you for sharing your food designs and your artwork. This is just a selection.







































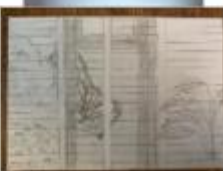








A View from my Window Winners

During lockdown, the children were encouraged to use their Art and Design skills to represent 'A View from My Window'. This view could have been real or imaginary. The children were able to use any media (collage, pencils, pens, paint etc) to create their artwork.			
Year Group	Challenge	Winner	A View from My Window
Reception	To create simple representations.	Noah Hallifax	
Year 1	• Colour (own work) neatly following the lines.	Billy Moore	
Year 2	• Show different tones by using coloured pencils.	Ruben Caveney	
Year 3	• Use different hardness's of pencils to show line, tone and texture.	Tabitha Holmes	
Year 4	• Sketch lightly (no need to use a rubber to correct mistakes). • Use hatching and cross hatching to show tone and texture.	Blake Thompson	
Year 5	• Use a variety of techniques to add interesting effects (e.g. reflections, shadows, direction of sunlight).	Jamie-Rose Sellar	
Year 6	• Use a choice of techniques to depict movement, perspective, shadows and reflection. • Choose a style of drawing suitable for the work (e.g. realistic or impressionistic).	Ryley Francis	

LATERAL FLOW DETECTION TESTING (LFD)

School staff are now provided with LFD kits which they are using to check they are not infected with the virus but showing no symptoms. This is another way we are working to keep everyone safe.

BIRD'S BUSH CHAMPIONS!



Mila L - Motivation - Every day, Mila is remote learning with such motivation. She is always willing to participate in our group discussions and she produces some wonderful work.

Elsie F - Motivation - Elsie shows so much motivation every single day at school. She is a role model to the other children in our bubble.

Alfie C (3F) - Pride - Alfie is a true Bird's Bush champion! He is working so hard at home, especially with his English work this week. We are all very proud of him! Well done Alfie, keep it up.

Daisy J - Never Gave Up - Daisy started the week with finding maths hard and not enjoying it, but she kept going and had a real breakthrough because she worked so hard to understand the learning. Then admitted that she loved it and she was proud of herself at the end of the week! Well done Daisy!

Archie S - Ambition - Archie has been a learning champion in school and at home this week. He carefully planned his D&T activity and the end result looked delicious! Well done Archie :)

Mia-Joy W - Motivation - Mia shares mature and sensible contributions in the Teams chat and always strives to use impressive vocabulary. Well done Mia!

Evie V - Independence - This week Evie has been independent in her remote learning, getting all of her learning completed and even helping others in their learning too!

Madison B - Honesty - This week Madison has been honest in her learning and asking for help when she needed it. She has done incredibly well and I am extremely proud.

Maddison C - Organised - Maddison is an amazing online learner!! She is always ready for each and every live session and completes all her work set and more besides!! She is fab!!

Jayden G - Independence - Working independently in his learning, asking for help when needed and being fab!

Chloe C - Motivation - For some amazing home learning!

Noah H - Ambition - For trying his best in everything he does!

Times Table Rock Stars!



Y1: Mila L

Y2: Isabelle T

Y3: Raphael B

Y4: Archie S

Y5: Hannah T

Y6: Jayden G



1 - Denese Hill - Family Support Worker

Denese is available for help and support during this time. Just drop her an email and she will be in touch.

Looking for help or advice?

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Feature on: - The importance of how children learn through play

Play is one of the main ways in which children learn and develop. It helps to build self-worth by giving a child a sense of his or her own abilities and to feel good about themselves. Because it's fun, children often become very absorbed in what they are doing.

Play is very important to a child's development, it is an integral part of a child's Early Years Foundation Stage and supports their learning journey too. Young children can develop many skills through the power of play. They may develop their language skills, emotions, creativity and social skills. Play helps to nurture imagination and give a child a sense of adventure. Through this, they can learn essential skills such as problem solving, working with others, sharing and much more.



In turn, this helps them develop the ability to concentrate. Providing children with a range of playthings will help them learn in a number of ways:

- Sand and water play can be an early introduction to science and maths, e.g. learning that water is fluid, not solid, and that it can be measured in different sized containers.
- Playing with dough or clay, drawing and painting pictures, dressing up, playing with dolls can encourage creativity, imagination and expression of feelings.
- Building blocks, jigsaws and shape sorters can help with recognising different shapes and sizes, putting things in order and developing logic.
- Playing ball games, dancing, running, climbing all help to develop body movement, strength, flexibility and co-ordination skills.
- Games help with turn taking, sharing and mixing with others.
- Singing, playing simple musical instruments help to develop rhythm, listening and hearing.

It's important that learning is fun at this age. It needs to be about doing things with them that they like. They might find unusual ways of doing things - building blocks aren't just for making towers, and

paint can be used without a brush! Show them how things work, but if they want to experiment, let them.

Children learn through all their senses through taste, touch, vision, hearing and smelling. They will watch those around them and copy language and behaviour.

Free School Meals

If you have registered for Free School Meals vouchers then you should start receiving them from Monday 25th January. The national scheme is being delivered by Edenred, the same company as in the last lockdown. Please look out for an email from Edenred on Monday to redeem your voucher code online. All codes will come to the email address you put on your registration form.

If your child is attending school and you have opted for vouchers, you will need to provide a packed lunch each day as you cannot have vouchers and a free meal at school.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive Universal Free school meals in school if they are attending.

If you currently do not claim free school meals and your circumstances change, please speak to the school office to check your eligibility.

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