



# Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER LOCKDOWN EDITION

5th June 2020



Dear Parents and Children,

I do hope that you have all managed to enjoy your half-term break. Maybe not the holiday away that you had been expecting; but with the sunshine out hopefully you were able to have some fun!

Many of our Year 6 children returned to school on Wednesday. They are being taught in 'bubbles' named after colours of the rainbow. The children have tried really hard to remember the new rules we have in school and we are so proud of them. We haven't forgotten those who have not returned to school, we are thinking of them and hoping they are well and happy. We understand that every family is in a different situation at this tricky time.

For Family Black, the exciting event during half-term was when an ice-cream van came to visit! The ice-cream sundaes were enormous and my family ate far too much, although Mr Black managed to finish them off for us! Have a lovely weekend and wishing you all well.

Mrs Black



**I would like to take this opportunity to thank every single member of the St Andrew's School Team.**

Everyone has worked so incredibly hard throughout this difficult and unusual time. The care, flexibility, creativity, thoughtfulness, resilience and ability to smile through it all has been the perfect demonstration of how at St Andrew's we all try to shine!

Thank you to the members of our school community who have sent e-mails, made calls, sent cards or letters and spoken directly to say thank you or to show that you have appreciated the team effort. It has meant a great deal to us.



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to the children who have celebrated their birthdays from 24th May- 5th June.

**Catherine, Zachary, Naomi,**  
**Mrs Lee**



Whoops!  
Sorry to Ava  
and her family,  
as these photos  
weren't included  
in the VE day  
celebrations  
Power-point.

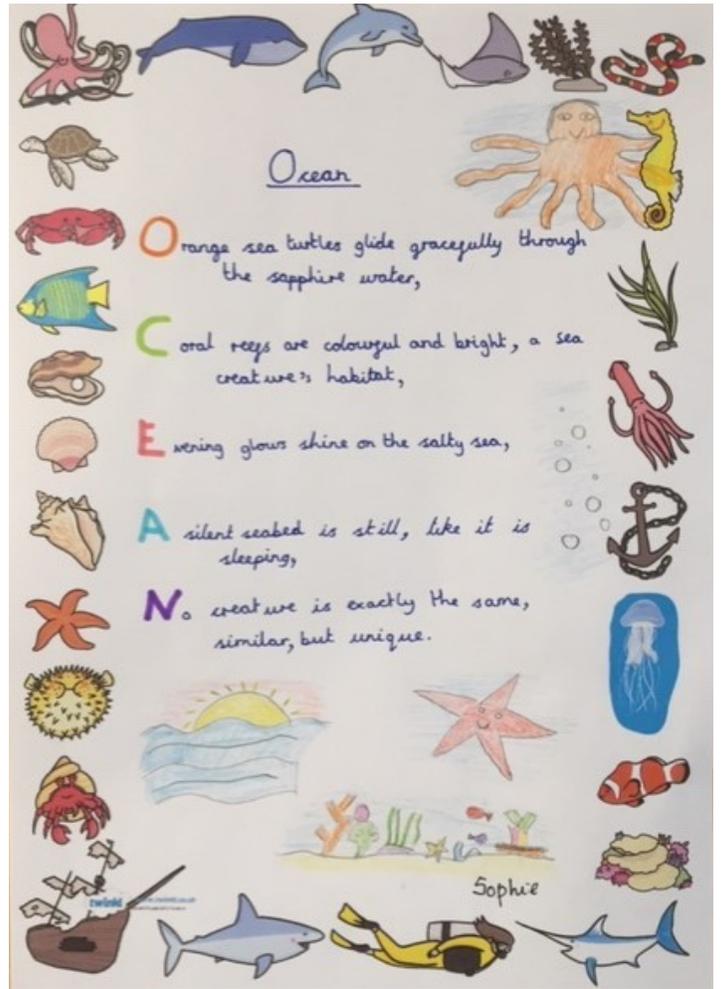
Ava and her  
family enjoyed a  
Street-party  
when they cele-  
brated VE day  
on May 8th.

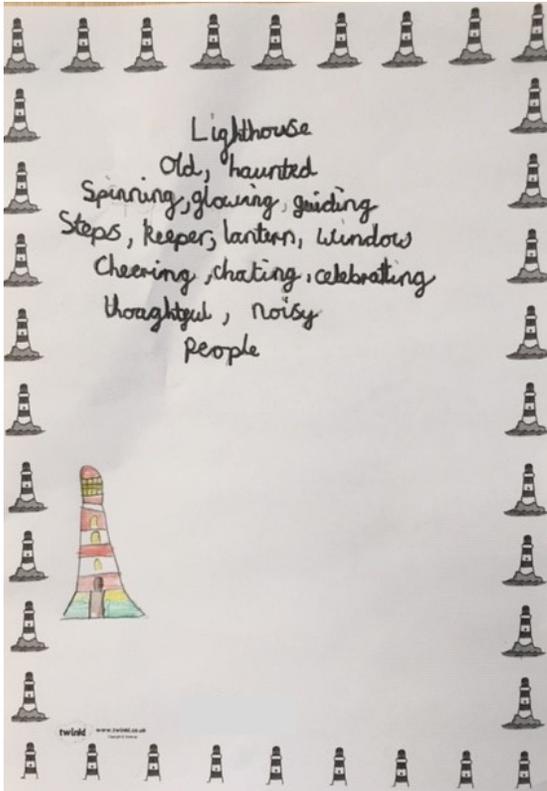
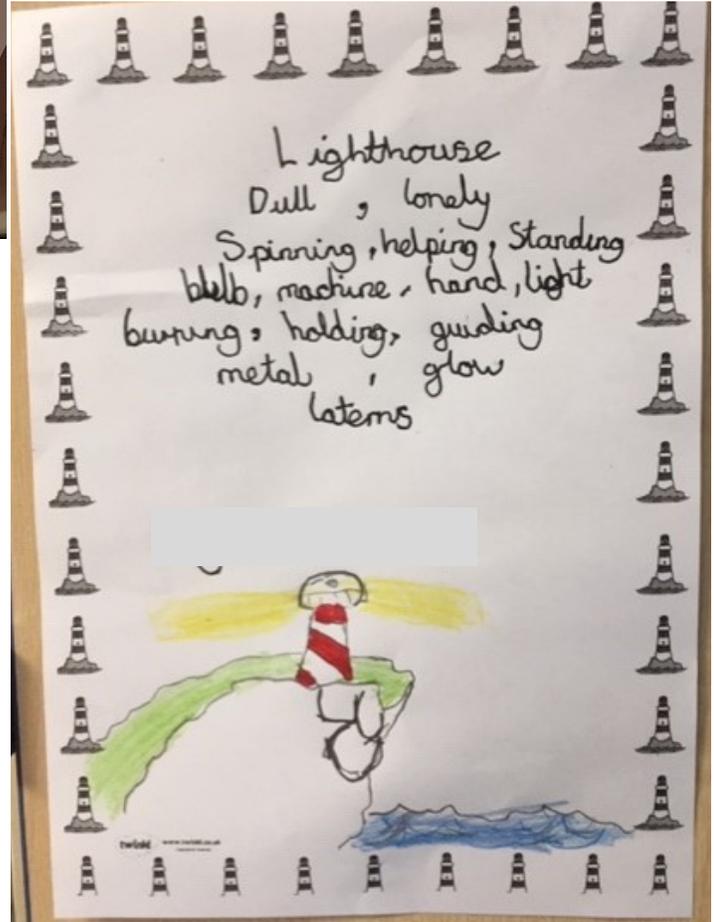
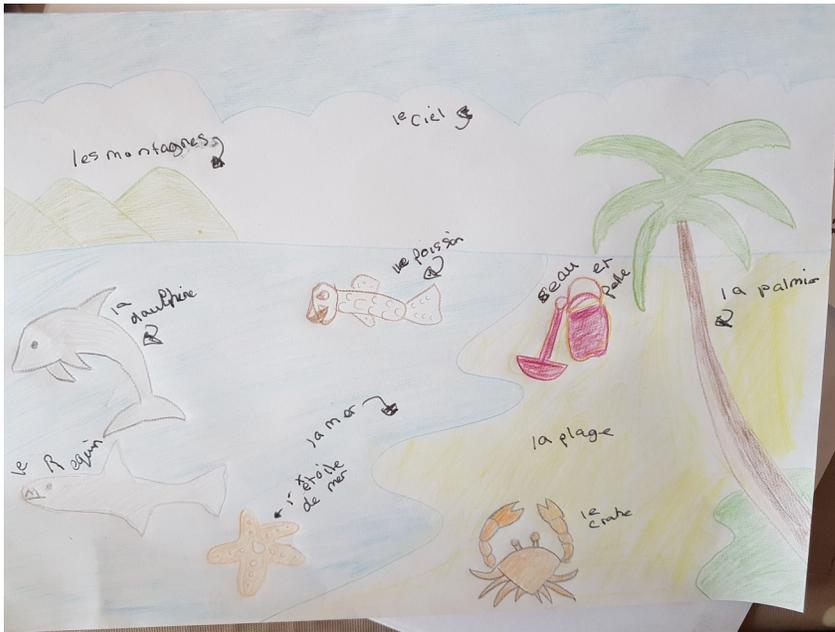




# In the sea

Deep down in the sea, there was a diver. He saw lots of clown fish and also quite a few turtles. One day he was down in the Pacific Ocean and he found an animal that he had never seen before, it was a sea slug. It was a bright blue colour with a slimy tail. There was also an absolutely huge humpback whale and a cute, little, fluffy sea otter. A very unusual animal called a Dugong, it looked a bit like a hippo or dog with very shaggy skin. Another unusual one was an Elephant Seal, it had a beak looking nose and had quite large eyes. On the shore was a Mipellanic penguin, it was extremely small with a big white belly. The sea was empty now, the brightly coloured fish were all hiding inside their crusty coral houses and others in their anemone. For a second, I was filled with fear. Then I realised that actually all was calm. I looked around the sea, it was crystal clear. The water looked beautiful until... Suddenly there was a huge Bull shark gliding towards the diver. He swam as fast as he could and found a small cave the shark couldn't fit in. He turned round and realised that it was a cave full of sea slugs. The diver let out a cry of help and swam out. The sharks had gone luckily and he swam to shore so that he could get in the boat. Safety at last!





**Weekly reflection:**

We are thinking about the children who are not in school with us at this time.

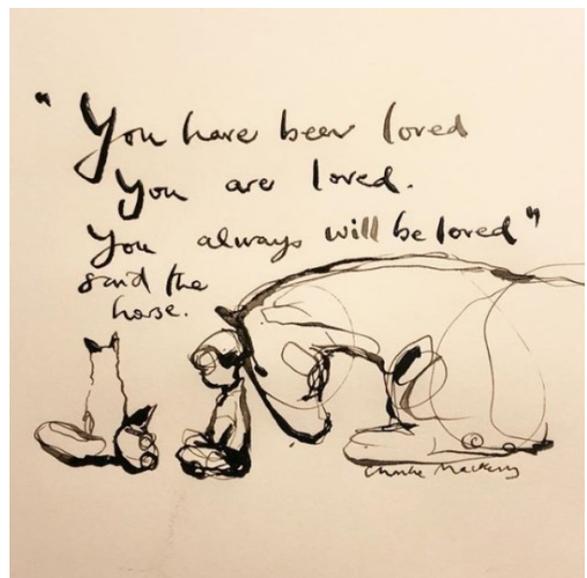
We are hoping that you are keeping busy and are happy.

We are looking forward to the time when we will be back together again.

Illustration by Charlie Mackesy

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# Summer Reading Challenge!

*A Seriously Silly Summer!*



## Join the Silly Squad this Summer!

This year, the Summer Reading Challenge is going online!

**How do we take part?**

Children can take part by going to <http://www.sillysquad.org.uk/> and signing up and creating their own profile from **5th June onwards**.

The sign up process will require parental consent and parents can find more details here: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/parents-carers>

**How much do we need to read to complete the challenge?**

Children set their own challenge to read any amount of books. They are encouraged to read anything that makes them happy—whether it be comics, joke books, poetry, fiction, non-fiction; in digital or print format; from e-book lending through the public library service or even from what is at home!

Each time children finish a book, they add it to their profile and write a review. They are rewarded with activities and incentives along the way, such as online badges, games and videos.

Children receive a downloadable certificate once they have completed their challenge.



Happy Reading

From  
Mrs O'Connor

HERE'S THE IMPACT OF  
**READING 20**  
MINUTES PER DAY!

A student who reads

**20:00**

minutes per day

will be exposed to  
**1.8 MILLION**  
words per year

A student who reads

**5:00**

minutes per day

will be exposed to  
**282,000**  
words per year

A student who reads

**1:00**

minute per day

will be exposed to  
**8,000**  
words per year

Source: Nagy, Anderson and Herman, 1987