

Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School NEWSLETTER 12th February 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

So, we have made it to half-term! What an achievement- and no mean feat! Thank you all so much for your ongoing support, positivity and brilliant responses to our home-learning offer.

As you will imagine, the class teachers are absolutely on their knees. The endless filming, adapting and double-thinking of previously used resources to ensure it 'translates' into achievable home-learning tasks. Add to this newly written units of work to engage and inspire our children! Over-seeing emails and google classroom, then the usual 'in the building' tasks and then add in the stress of SNOW! Almost all staff have to drive into school, many use the A12 and other 'horrible' roads- but huge thanks to them for braving the roads in such scary driving conditions!

Not only have the staff been amazing but so have you and your children! I can only imagine how hard it has been for you all. Thank you for your efforts, your perseverance, flexibility, sense of humours and grit!

As some of you will have been aware (thank you if you managed to join in), during our SHINE celebration today we did a 'Clap for the Children'. As we all are so painfully aware, their worlds have been altered dramatically and they have just got on with it. Their social circles have been totally reduced and I know how much they are missing spending time with friends and wider family. Times that are massively important to their wellbeing (and yours). We are so very proud of them all.

The member of staff who had tested positive is definitely improving each day and there have been no signs that any of the self-isolating staff are unwell so that is good news.

Please do have the very best half-term that you can, switch off, and know that you have done the very best job you could have!



Please do take care with my very best wishes Becky Black





Wishing a very Happy Birthday to the children who have celebrated their birthdays between: February 8th and February 21st

Charlotte, Anna F, Thomas F,

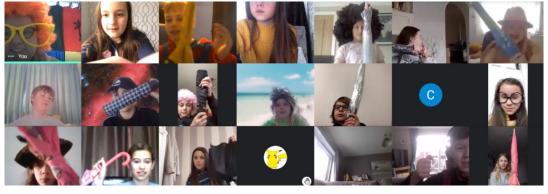
Chloe, Alice, Ruby, Albie



Fancy Dress Friday

The fundraiser was a great success, with staff and children enjoying the opportunity to wear something fun or fancy for the day.

Many thanks for all your efforts in raising funds for the school!











Take part in 'Shine Your Own Way' this half term and help raise funds for our school!!

Whatever makes you shine, whether its sports, baking, drawing, musical or any other hobby, set yourself a challenge this half term and ask your friends and family to sponsor you.

What will your challenge be? Bake a new recipe every day of the week? A daily sports skill target, or complete Rob Biddulph's Draw with Rob lessons each day?

Please use the attached sponsorship form to keep a record of your friends and family's kind donations towards your challenge and bring it back after half term.

We have set up a fundraising page. You can ask those who sponsor you to sponsor you directly on the below website.

https://www.gofundme.com/sponsored-shine















Shine your own way challenge

Name_____

Class _____

My chosen challenge is

Please sponsor me to help raise funds for my school.

Name		Total Sponsor Amount	Amount Paid (via Go Fund Me Web Page)
	TOTAL AM	OUNT RAISED	

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Children and staff, at home and at school all really enjoyed some time to play in the snow this week,. Thanks for sending in your pictures *









Nut Allergies in School

We have noticed that some children are continuing to bring products containing nuts into school.

Please check labels, and do not send any products containing nuts into school with your child, for the safety of all of our children.

Many thanks for your help with this.



Congratulations to Olivia P, Rowan Base, who won the NWESPP January Virtual Sports Games. We are very proud of you Olivia!

BBC Parent's Toolkit Activities

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrsbrj6

Are you looking for some inspiration for the February Half Term? Why not try some of the activities that the BBC website has on offer - Indoor Activities/ Get Active/ Arts & Crafts/ Mindfulness and Wellbeing.



Rob Biddulph's five tips to help you confidently draw with your kids

Rob Biddulph, author and official illustrator for World Book Day, has some great tips and tricks to share to help you draw with your kids.



Fun ideas to bring more colour into your family's everyday life

Brighten up the winter months with colourful activities for all the family.



Six ways to get your kids active at home

How to keep active in a small space at home using Super Movers films



These are the children who have been spotted shining this week. Whether as part of our school-learning or online in their homelearning.

Well done for continuing to demonstrate our CARE values during these challenging times.

Krystelle M - Apple Daisy P - Birch Naomi S - Cherry Jules C - Fir Jasmine P - Maple Zachary W - Oak Ava H- Rowan Chloe S - Sycamore

Compassion Achievement Respect Enjoyment

Every child is known and loved. Every child shines.



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