

'I can find grace and mercy to help in a time of need.' Hebrews 4:16

Next week the children in:

**Reception will be** making some ROARsome dinosaur cakes. (Have a go at home and send us your photos!)

**Year 1 will be** having more alien adventures!

**Year 2 will be** will be opening a virtual Victorian museum, exploring different artefacts and learning all about Queen Victoria.

**Year 3 will be** having fun exploring shape poems.

**Year 4 will be** having fun learning all about the science of sound...listen carefully for the noise of straws being played over Saltash!

**Year 5 will be** using their journalistic skills to report on the worlds latest space activity 🌐

**Year 6 will be** reflecting on the properties of light.

How quickly things have changed in 5 days. We all said welcome back and happy new year on Monday and by Tuesday things had changed. We are so sad we didn't get to say goodbye to so many of the children but we hope they have watched the little video messages from their teachers. There is a sense of 'we've been here before' and so we have put in motion plans that we had ready to support the children with their home learning but also teach during the school day those children whose parents are critical workers. The big difference is that we have 95 children who qualify to attend school. We will continue to do the very best we can.

We know that there may be resources that children do not have at home that we can provide – exercise books, stationery, number squares etc. We also want to ensure that children still have access to reading books so they can enjoy reading during lockdown. We will therefore be making resources, such as reading books, available to collect from the Education Centre / Music Room on different days for each class. Resources will be available to collect between 10.00am and 2.00pm on the following days:

Tuesday – Years 5 and 6	Wednesday – Year 3 and 4
Thursday – Years 1 and 2	Friday – Reception

Please can you confirm by email the time you will be coming into school so we can ensure social distancing and safety. Hand sanitiser will be available on entry and limited numbers will be able to use the room at any one time. We hope that this will help with the home learning. If there are any additional resources that you may need please let Mrs Dunbar know and we will see if we have these available.

We have also given those children in KS2 with an Accelerated Reader account, access to this at home. This means they can continue to quiz on all the books they read. The website address is: <https://ukhosted68.renlearn.co.uk/1985423> The children know their log in details – happy quizzing!

Finally, we would like to say a big thank you to everyone for supporting our fund raising ventures, over the last year and to those who have organised them, over the past few months. Our goal was always to raise sufficient funds to purchase 30 new Chromebook laptops and we have almost done it! The School Lottery, Cauliflower Cards and individual parent ventures and donations have topped up our funds sufficiently for us to place an order! They have now been delivered and we are waiting for them to be set up. THANK YOU so much.

We look forward to working closely with you over what will be a difficult few weeks ahead. Thank you for the many positive comments regarding the Home Learning. It has been a real boost for all the staff who are working with children in school as well setting work for home. ☺

## IMPORTANT HOLIDAY DATES

**INSET DAY – 12<sup>th</sup> February**

**Half term – 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February inclusive**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – new term**

**Easter holidays – 2<sup>nd</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> April inclusive**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April – new term**

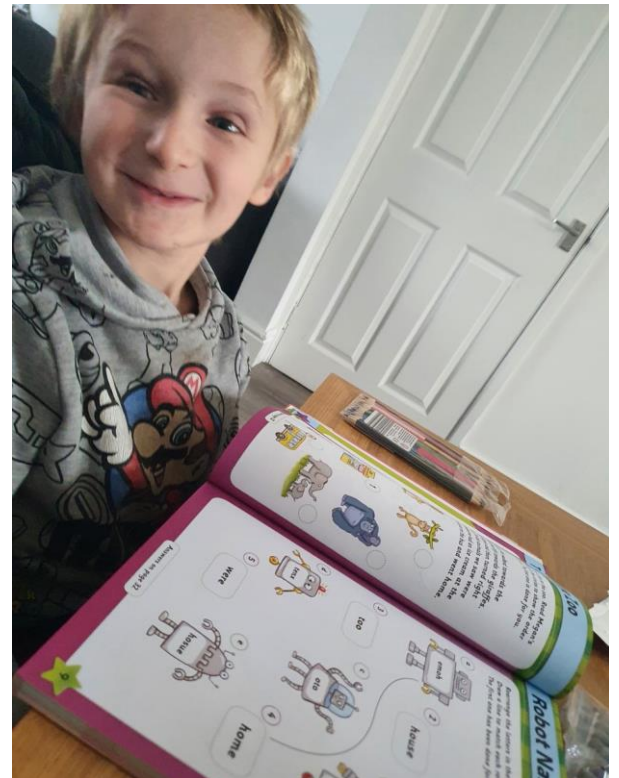
**INSET – 28<sup>th</sup> May**

**Half term – 31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June inclusive**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – children BREAK UP for the summer**

**22<sup>ND</sup> AND 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY INSET**

We know that the children are working hard both at home and school. Here are some photos of the things some of you have been up to. Please do keep the photographs coming. 😊



## A Good Deed Every Day

Doing a good deed will make you feel good and someone else happy. It doesn't have to be something difficult or take a lot of time. A good deed can be a kind word or a smile.