

ANDOVERSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2020

27th March

NEWSLETTER

Celebrations at Andoversford

Ash Class: Bella
Oak Class: Frankie
Beech Class: Emily
Willow Class: Maegan

Thank you for all of your efforts to keep on top of your learning at home! Remember you can send messages and work to the teachers via the school office.

Mystery Reader: Our selection tool has chosen Oliver H As the mystery reader this week. The book revealed on Social Media was RocketMole, which Oliver has donated to Oak Class!



Huge Thanks

We have had yet another unsettled week, with the possibility of many more ahead. You will by now have seen the advice to restrict all unnecessary movement and **Stay at Home** to save lives. Our frontline services are doing a fantastic job in the very unsettling time and I would like to thank anyone who has had a part to play in the national response to Covid-19. Our teachers have absolutely risen to the challenge of providing remote learning opportunities and have organised some great packs to complete at home. We hope that you have found the links and activities useful. With all the unusual events, we have not had a chance to properly introduce some new faces to the Andoversford community. After Easter, we are pleased to announce that some new teachers will be joining the team—full details will follow!

#ASPIRE #newworld #stayathome #thankyou

ASPIRE Point Totals

Bluebell: 437
Buttercup: 601
Thistle: 612
Rose: 630
Whole School: 4,577
Target: 5,000
Unchanged



Stay Alert! Scams Operating

Most people have seen their communities pull together in this tough time. Friends and neighbours are supporting each other and helping wherever they are needed.

However, we have been made aware of some scams that have been operating. Unfortunately people are trying to take advantage of the vulnerable and trusting members of our community. One scam is asking families who are entitled to Free School Meals to provide their bank details in order to receive food vouchers. Please be very careful. Schools will **never** ask for your bank details.

BOREDOM BUSTERS

With the additional restrictions in place, it is more important than ever to make sure that you are looking after the mental health and well-being of the whole family. You will have times when all members of the family might be stressed, upset or grouchy—and being cooped up together does not help! Give each other breathing time and space if you can.

It can be tricky to think of activities that you can do to keep each other entertained—the scouts might be able to help. Check out their ideas for activities [here](#). You can even search for things that can be done indoors! What a great resource!



Dates for your Diary

Remember key dates 2019-20 are available on the website and online calendar!

March
20th Deadline for Residential deposit
20th Stay Safe Anti-Bullying workshop
20th PTF A pop-up show
23rd P

All events suspended until further notice

Year 6 Height/Weight Checks
Key Stage 2 Final at Remembrance
Beech Class Trip
Easter Assembly at 1:00
Term Ends at 2:00
INSET Day
22nd Class Photos: note change of date

Let's Celebrate!

We have received our first entries for the class competitions this year. Remember all children can still take part by sending a photo of their entry into the school office by Friday 3rd April for judging! The categories this year are:

Ash: Easter bonnets

Oak: Decorate a hard-boiled egg

Beech: Easter themed scene in a shoe box

Willow: Egg pun themed scene in a shoe box

We are looking forward to seeing some creative interpretations—time to think outside the box and cheer us all up!



Community Links:

Help and Support is all around

It has been fantastic to see how many people have pulled together to help other in the community during this time of crisis. We are very fortunate to be part of such a supportive community. You may have heard that the NHS are searching for more volunteers—if you can help you can find more information here: <https://www.goodsamapp.org/NHS>

Action for Happiness have also produced a 'Coping Calendar' which has 30 ideas of things that we can all do to support our wellbeing as we face this global crisis together. Download the advice on our website by clicking [here](#).

