



Dear parents

Hope you all well and able to enjoy the sunshine. This week Mr Foyle and Mrs Lazar have been in teaching the children with the help of Mrs Demmery and Mrs Miller. Everyone has been very busy sorting out areas of the school. Mr Foyle has worked hard to rearrange the library area and is now sorting out the best books for the children. If you are visiting school to pick up or drop off work we have left a trolley of books in the entrance. These are available for anyone to take and enjoy.

As teachers come into school I have asked them to give you a call. This is just to check you are all ok and to see if there is any help we can give.

As I said in my letter at the beginning of the week we still do not know what the plans are for re-opening schools but will let you know as soon as we have any indications.



Home-learning

Thank you all for your continued efforts in working with your children at home. We recognise that e-schools can be very slow to access at peak times, particularly on a Monday. We will be aiming to upload work on a Friday and will be summarising all classes' home-learning on the main page which should be faster than you having to login to the separate class pages.

If you are printing from home please consider adjusting your settings to print in black and white and printing 2 sheets to a page.

We are more than happy to print packs for you to collect from school - please can you give us advance notice either by phoning or emailing us.

StarLine home learning helpline

A new support learning helpline has been launched to provide support for parents and carers who may have concerns or queries about educating their children at home. StarLine can help parents and carers in the following ways:

- By providing access to a team of qualified teachers, education and parenting experts.
- By focussing on providing practical ideas, support and reassurance.
- By offering tips, techniques and resources to enable parents to give their children the support they need to continue learning while schools are closed.
- By supporting family wellbeing and mental health.
- By covering all phases of education and subjects plus behaviour, pupil wellbeing and SEND.

StarLine is available to parents and carers of pupils from all schools nationwide. Free, confidential advice is available six days a week by phoning the StarLine team on 0330 313 9162. For more information, visit www.starline.org.uk or follow [@StarLineSupport](https://twitter.com/StarLineSupport) on Twitter.

Please remember school staff are available during school hours to support with any initial concerns or queries you have.

Headteacher's Awards - well done all!



Nominated by Mrs Broad:

- * Kallum for all of his lovely messages, photos and brilliant work - it is making me smile!
- * Jessica for working so hard and especially her beautiful Undersea Picture.
- * Sam for working so hard with his home learning.

Mr Bullen would like to nominate Laurie for an excellent PowerPoint.

Miss Driscoll nominates:

- * Chloe and Lilly for creating PowerPoints at home about 3 separate topics.
- * Erin for an informative PowerPoint about rivers.
- * Harriet – a brilliant story called 'Through the doorway'. Really impressed with her descriptions and the way she engaged her reader.

Mr Foyle has been really impressed by the following children this week:

- * Immy has been working all day, trying to complete every activity and helping her younger brother Marshall with his home-learning.
- * Caroline has written an incredible story.
- * Monte working really hard despite limited internet access.
- * Mia H from Year 5 has worked so hard at school and does everything that is asked of her.

Children in Willow Class have been writing poems this week. Miss Tout was particularly touched by this one by Eliza:

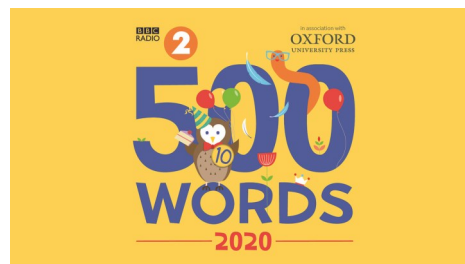
The Rainbow World

We live in a world full of colour,
Where the green of the grass shines bright,
The pink, yellow and violet flowers,
Seem like stars above the light!

The dirt so black seems dull,
So does the cave, really dark,
But you're forgetting the gold,
And it is the colour of the floor in the park!

The red is a ruby, the orange sweet,
Yellow is the sun in the baking heat,
Green is a stalk looking jealously above,
White is a beautiful, soft dove.

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Back in February, Emily from Chestnut Class entered the Radio BB2 500 Words competition. Her story, 'The Midnight Mare' was one of 135,000 entries chosen to be in the next round of 5000. A fantastic achievement - well done Emily!

We wish you the best of luck in the next round of judging in May.