

School Year 2020-2021

Term 3



The Avenue School

# **SPECIAL NEEDS ACADEMY**

**HOME & SCHOOL**

**LEARNING**

**NEWSLETTER**

As you can see from the title of this newsletter the contents this term will highlight the tremendous work the staff, along with parents/carers and, of course, the pupils, have managed to achieve during the latest countrywide lockdown.

Every child, whether at school or home, has benefitted from top class teaching. We are receiving daily feedback from staff and parents. So much work has gone into this and the pupils, their families and our staff are reaping the rewards.

Our offer, driven by pupil needs and not Government directives, has been described by one parents as 'a lifeline'.

Well done everyone!

# **Some Highlights from Around the School & At Home**

**(more later in newsletter)**

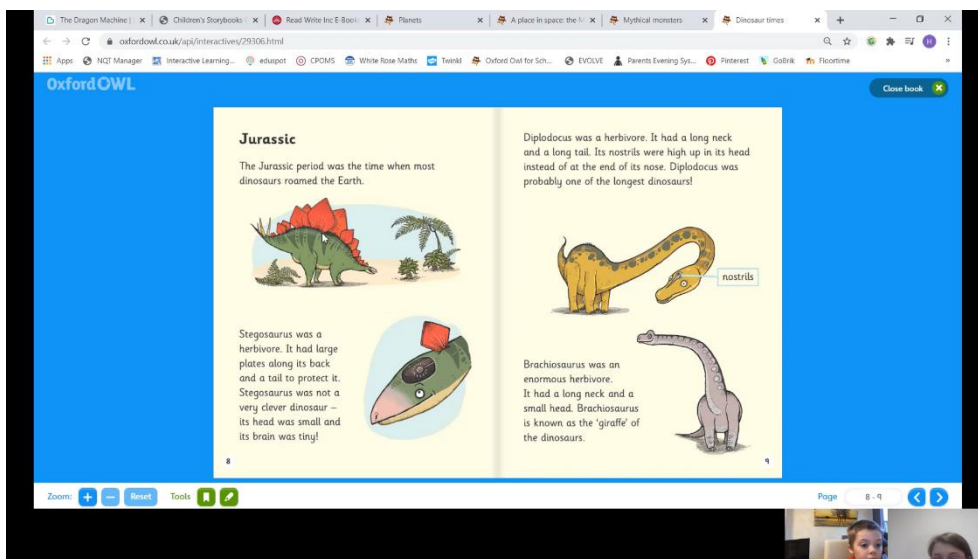
Pupils across the school, from Hatchling to Osprey, are engaging in some truly exciting and creative home learning! Symon and Maarit walked in the upstairs corridor one morning and there was an inclusive virtual lesson going on in each class, bringing together pupils in school and pupils at home!

- A pupil from Hatchling class is taking part in virtual sessions every day (even his baby sister wants to attend!)
- A Swan class student is engaging in outdoor learning by walking in the woods with his dog.
- Cormorant boys at home are participating in daily live streamed sessions, showing fantastic attention skills.
- A Kingfisher pupil asked to be with her friends so now joins in live streamed lessons from class.
- Goldcrest pupils are doing 'door step learning' with visiting adults (bubbles are involved!)
- A Nuthatch pupil (aged 9!) has learnt to use Teams independently.
- A Heron pupil speaking more confidently and cheerily than ever (on Teams) (talking about a ham sandwich he made for his lunch!)
- Raven pupils are having class socials on Teams (B joined this week on his new laptop and is getting more confident with technology.)
- A Woodpecker pupil reading a book on Teams, much to the amazement of his mum who'd never heard him read before.
- BTEC students doing live cookery (salads and sandwiches) and a virtual sports tournament with bundled socks (!)
- Osprey doing their Duke of Edinburgh in their gardens, using break out rooms on Teams for group discussions (clever stuff!) and learning to knit at a virtual workshop!

# Matthew

19.01.2021

Matthew danced along with the robot and made dinosaur sounds with the dinosaur. We then read a story called 'Dinosaur Times'. Matthew read through all of the pages himself and was eager to do so. Grandad and I helped him with the pronunciation of a few challenging words; period and crustacean. He then read the 'questions to answer' at the back so we went back through the book, looked for and discussed each of these answers.



# Jamie

Here are a couple of photos of Jamie sent by his sister.

Jamie is on our doorstep play date. He was so happy sitting on the step with me and it gave mum and dad an hours break. Strange times but lovely times too.





# Swift Class

Swift Class have been going to Camp Mohawk. There we have been developing our physical skills as well as our social and emotional skills. Szymon & Mati are certainly enjoying themselves!

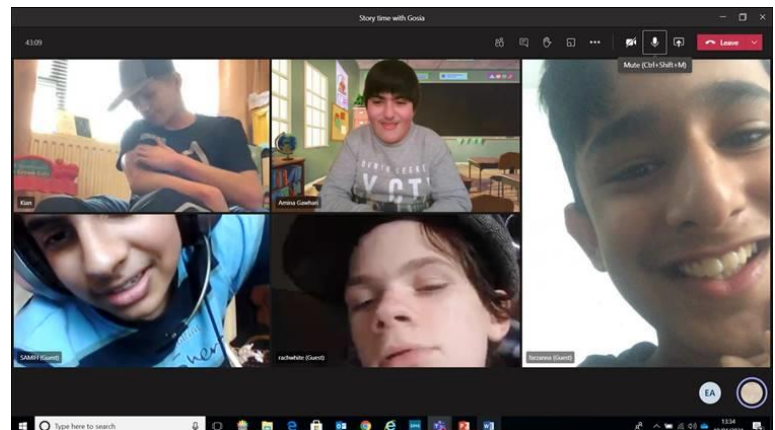
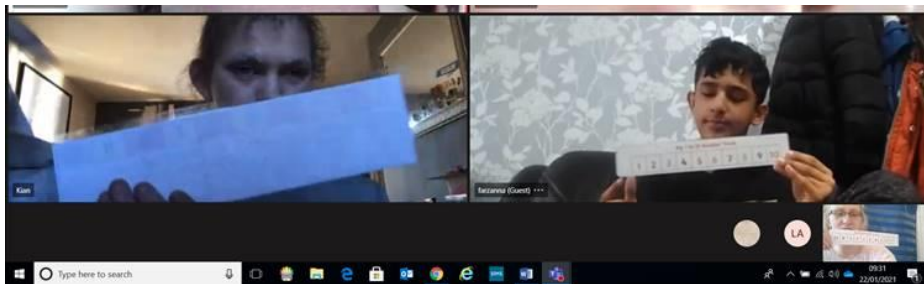
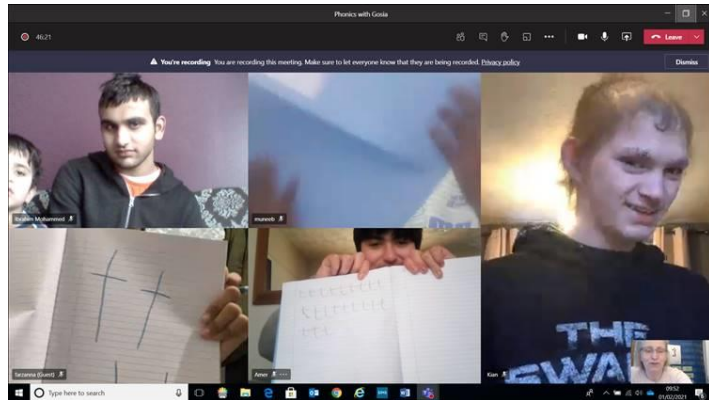


# Linnet Class

Linnet class is learning really well via virtual sessions. We are practicing and learning phonics & maths. We also have our weekly assemblies where we are learning about different jobs for example the work of a gardener and shop assistant.

Every day we have story time and pupils really like to listen and engage in the story. This week is National Story Telling week and we are reading "The Giant Jam Sandwich" which is written by John Vernon Lord.

Please see below some pictures from our learning



# **More Highlights from Around the School & At Home (more later in newsletter)**

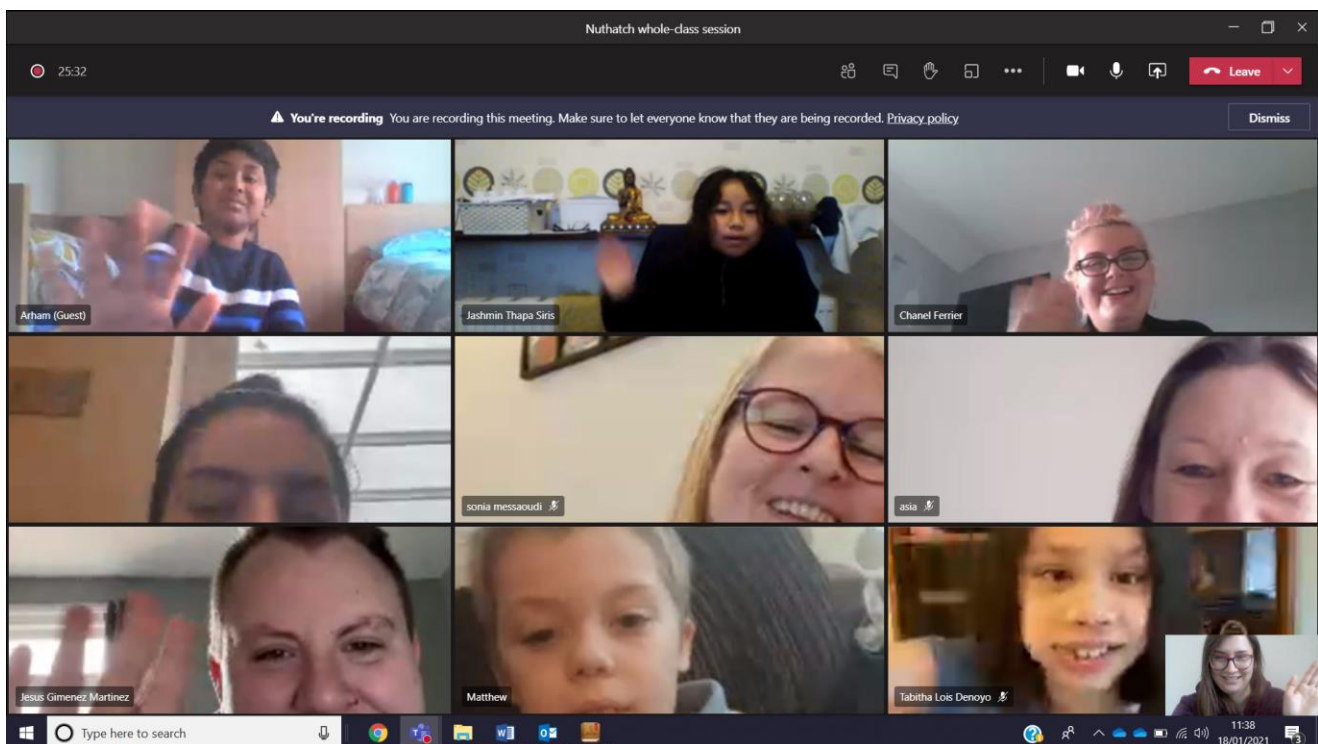
- Two Starling pupils, who hadn't engaged with virtual sessions so far, joined in with great enthusiasm this week to make it a 100% participation in the class (one of these pupils also engaged in some Cornish pasty making this afternoon!)
- The same happened to a student in Kestrel who is now excitedly pursuing shape drawings. Well done!
- Swift and Barn Owl pupils have loved seeing and greeting their adults and peers on Teams
- A Wren pupil is joining in on Teams learning, as is a Robin pupil who'd previously found this tricky.
- Finch Class had a wonderfully lively virtual singing session (a sea shanty was included in the repertoire!)
- Two Osprey students independently emailed me photos of cookies they had baked at home, for their BTEC files.
- A Goldcrest pupil participated in a door step learning session and was so engaged that even a neighbour came out to applaud.
- Harrier Class all attended a virtual Careers Week, including talks online with the Police, staff members from Pets at Home and a dog groomer.
- A young pupil in Robin Class, whose mum has already uploaded over 30 pieces of evidence on the ILD, what a lot of learning!
- Linnet and Starling Classes are thriving with their virtual phonics – it is fair to say that both classes are steaming ahead and making fabulous progress online / via Teams. Some of the pupils are so eager to log onto Teams that they wait in the waiting room well before the lesson!
- In Kestrel and Harrier pupils are becoming increasingly confident with Teams and using it with more independence – what a great achievement!
- In Sparrow Class pupils made their own boats at home for a floating and sinking topic.
- in Finch, there was a particularly fantastic session of door step learning for a pupil (a Lego activity!) and the class are also planning a virtual party.
- Dove pupils are accessing familiar sessions including TACPAC and sensory journeys each day.
- Wren pupils are engaging particularly well with teaching.



## Nuthatch Social

Migin, Arham, Matthew, Angelina and Olivia joined in the home learning session. Migin showed us her teddy and told us he was called Mr. Bear. Arham was very happy to see everyone and kept saying "hello teachers". He showed us some of his building bricks and he was proud to show us how he had made a house with 2 bricks. Matthew found a book for us to share and he read everyone a page from it. Angelina was really happy to see everyone. Mum said that she was really excited in the morning when she was told that the call was happening. She was happy to show everyone her 'baby doll' and Zoe the cat.

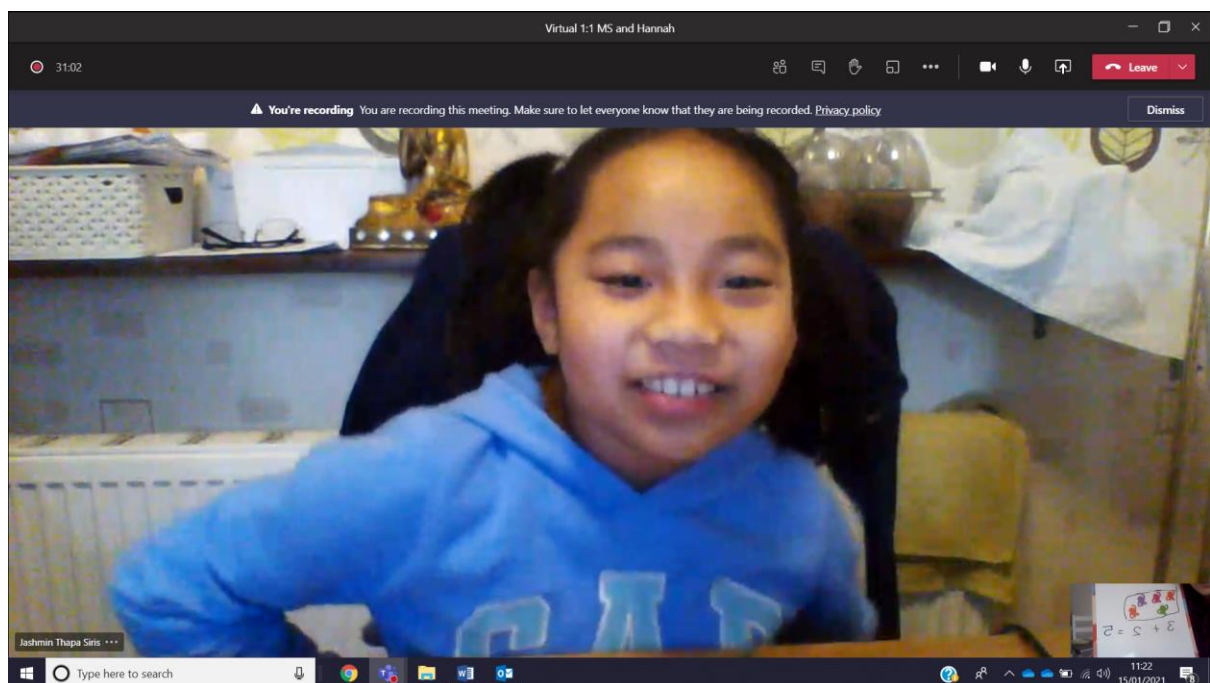
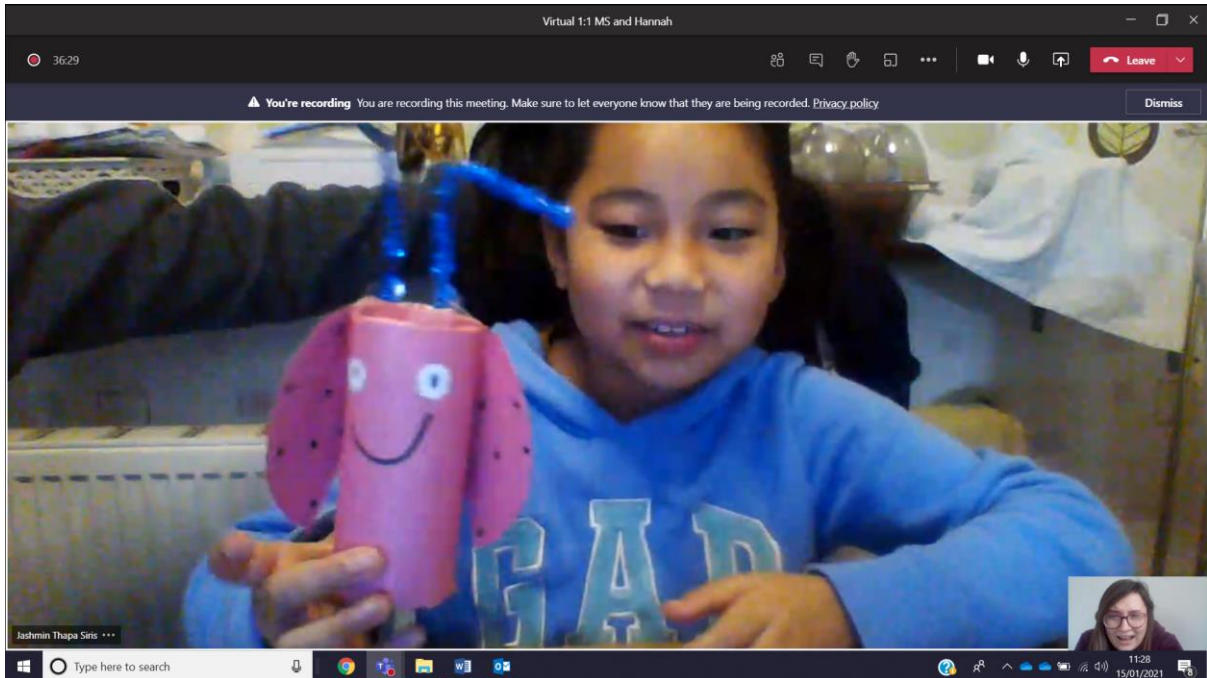
Olivia came to look but didn't want to be on the screen but she was in the background whilst mum stayed on the call.



# Migin

15.01.2021

Migin was really engaged for her 30 minute virtual lesson. She was very pleased to show her teacher Hannah, the ladybird she had made from our video.



## Virtual Hug

Sue, the class lead in Kestrel Class, sent a virtual hug image to her class after their Friday social meetup. She told her pupils that if they wanted to send a virtual hug to a friend they could email it to her and she would pass it on.

This is Zoel's virtual hug to her friend Lucy.



**This is amazing, Zoel!**

# More Highlights from Around the School & At Home

- A pupil in Heron Class has made excellent progress with reading comprehension – up 2 levels since January!
- 3 pupils (from Linnet, Cormorant and Harrier) attended the whole of their virtual EHCP reviews, remaining engaged and contributing to the process.
- A pupil in Sparrow Class has made scones at home.
- An excited Swan student has taken part in Attention Bucket on the doorstep!
- A new friendship is blossoming in Goldcrest.
- Friendship has been the theme in Nuthatch too, with three children sharing a swing and another child pushing! Also in Nuthatch a virtual session saw a pupil learn adjectives through puppets and soft toys on a video call.
- Dove Class had 8 attendees on a Teams call – the session finished with a dance to Superman by Black Lace!
- A pupil in Finch, who normally tends to wander off during virtual sessions, arrived on screen with a drum and entertained others.
- A brave Raven student is now joining in on Teams calls where this has been really tricky before.
- Cormorant students are engaging in a new type of 'reading for pleasure' in their remote sessions – short films which incorporate symbols and signs to aid comprehension and engagement.
- An Osprey sixth former has prepared fajitas, muesli and granola at home this week.
- A Goldcrest pupil had a Stage 2 Attention Autism session, 'It's raining on me' (the one with the transparent brolly...) actually in the pouring rain today! :-)

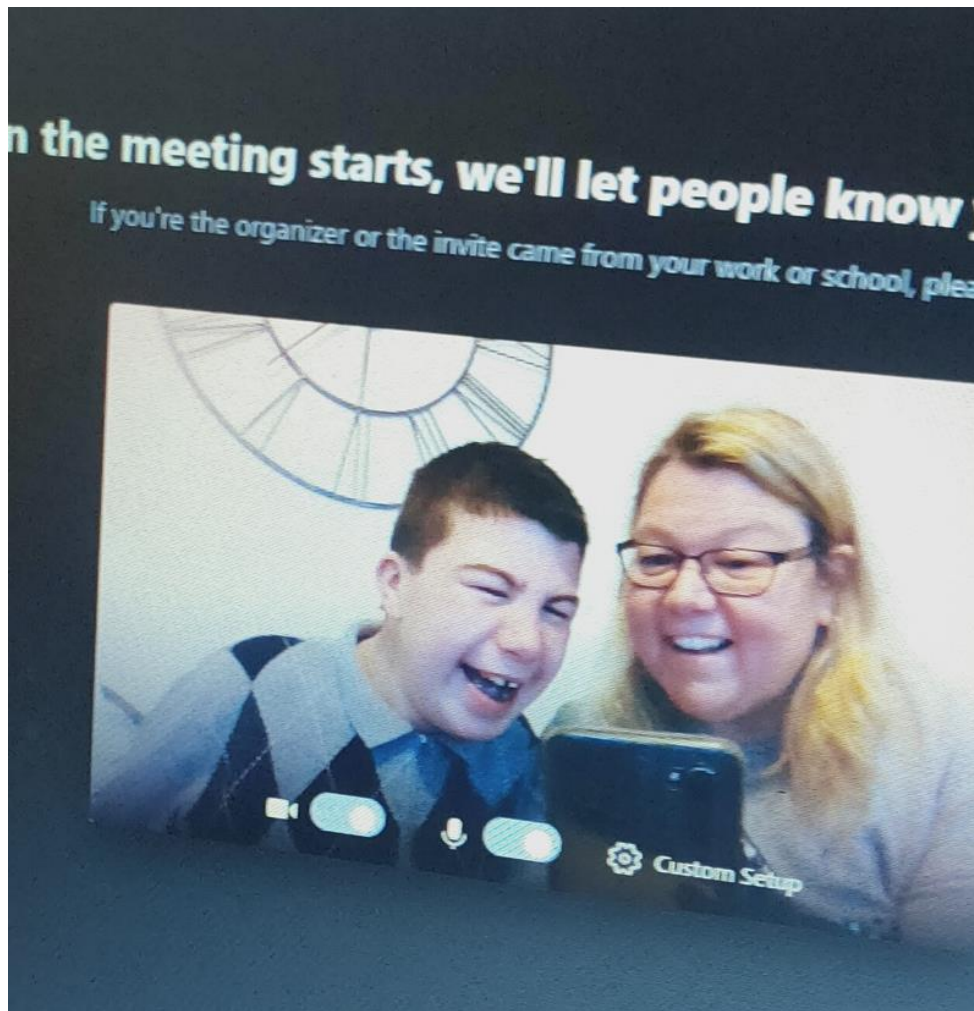




## Charlie & Mum

Charlie, from Cormorant class, enjoys joining virtual lessons from home and seeing his friends.

Look at those smiles!

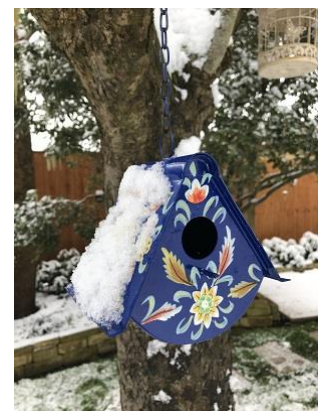


# Osprey Class

Over lockdown 3 of our young adults have been continuing to complete their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. Throughout the day the young adults and staff go out for a walk and take photos of what they see around them so that when we get back to school, we will complete one big collage of our memories.

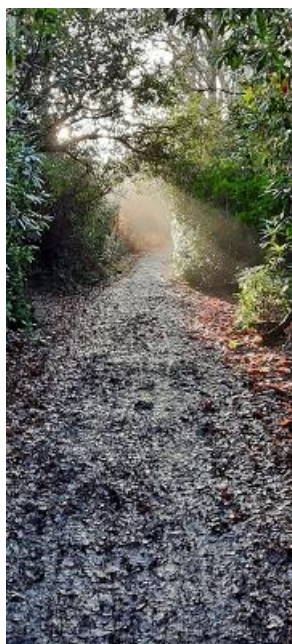
In the afternoon they have started to learn a new skill. We have skills ranging from learning how to play an instrument, drawing, learning about the RNLI and knitting.

Below is a selection of their photographs.





## Osprey Class (continued)





## Osprey Class Prospect Park Trip

As part of the Duke of Edinburgh award, Lukus, Tracy and Bogna had a little expedition around Tilehurst exploring where various alleyways led to. We eventually found our way to Prospect Park where Lukus had great fun splashing in the puddles. Lukus led the way and was very confident with his road safety.'





# Harrier Class

## Work Related Learning Week

Harrier Class had a whole week of Careers and Work Related Learning in January 2021! As we could not have visitors, because of the COVID pandemic we used TEAMS to carry out our interviews with guest speakers. We learnt about their job role, what career they wish to pursue and what kind of jobs they do each day, as well as what they most and least enjoy!

Harrier class devised questions they wanted to ask our guest speakers on the Monday. They also discussed appropriate interview techniques and behaviours. We also volunteered for 'The Thoughtful Bubble Company' where we made car diffusers. **THEY ARE ON SALE NOW!** Please email [thoughtfulbubble@avenue.reding.sch.uk](mailto:thoughtfulbubble@avenue.reding.sch.uk) to place your order!

We engaged in a TEAMS call with Jo from Pets at Home in Tilehurst. She even brought her dog 'Bella' along! (Below)



Jo and Corey (and Bella's ears poking up!) laughing about the not so nice parts of owning a pet!

Harrier hard at work their safety goggles, constructing car diffusers.

**SAFETY FIRST!**



# MATHS

This term we have also been focusing on Hundreds, Tens and Units in our Maths lessons. We are getting rather good at ordering numbers – even large ones!

Look at us here working as a team – this is a skill that we have been working on a lot in our classroom – it comes in handy for all lessons – even tricky maths ones!



# Horticulture

We have been having sessions outdoors this term with Eleanor and Geraldine.

Here are some pictures of us – we made 'Wands!'



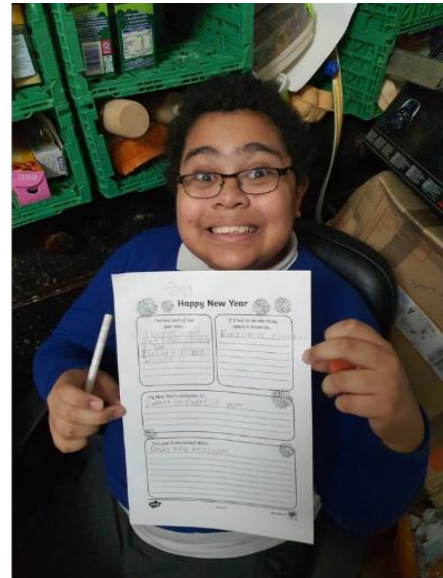


# Remote Learning

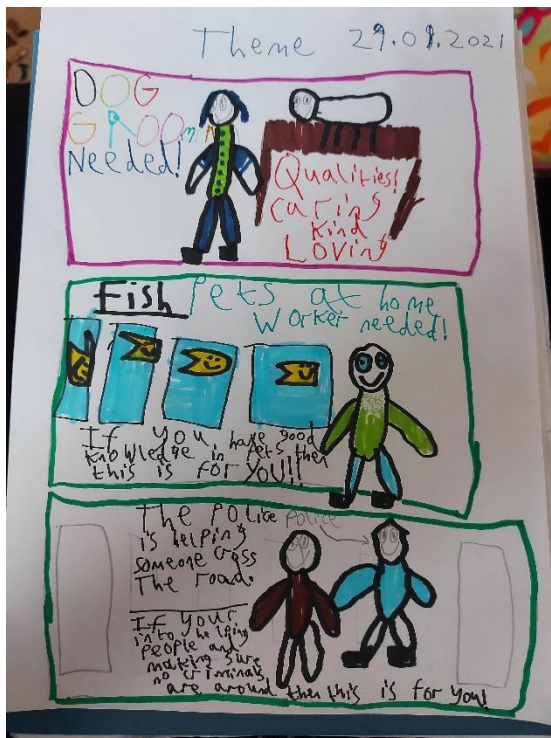
Our students at home have been keeping busy doing all sorts of educational things!



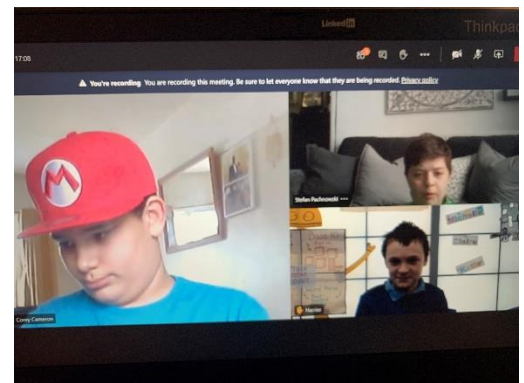
Here is a photo of a re-creation of velociraptor's footprints from a student at home.



Some lovely work on New Year's resolutions



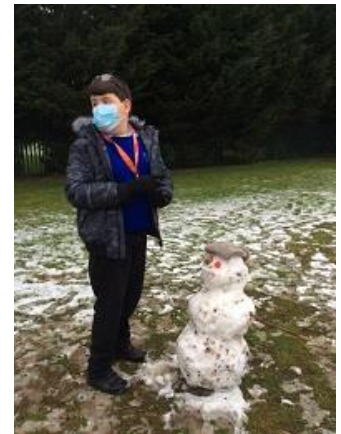
A poster about all the jobs we heard from over Work-related learning week!



The boys who are working from home have been enjoying a 'social club' where they have been talking about their favourite consoles and games, sharing tips, hints and tricks!

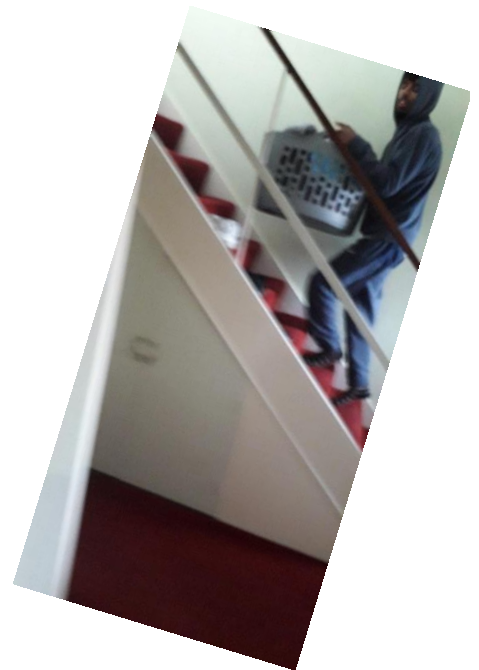
# Tyler

Last Tuesday Tyler was very busy enjoying different activities such as building a snowman in the sensory trail, making biscuits and gingerbread men and making sure the front of the school was clean so we went and picked litter.





## Sohail 'Bringing the Washing In'



**Good Job, Sohail!**

## Nuthatch Class

Here are some pictures of the Nuthatches having fun on the farm, getting to know and feeding the animals at Ufton Court.



Here is Melvin making a ladybird based on an instructional video that was sent from school





# Cormorant Class



## Physical development

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Despite the cold weather the Cormorants have been outside and taking part in physical development. We have been playing as a group and in pairs with a variety of fun activities and games.



## Numeracy:

In Numeracy we have been learning about size, shape and measure this term. We have had fun with our reading & signing and printing and making shapes.





# Cormorant Class

## Literacy

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In literacy this term we have been learning our letter shapes. We have been writing them and making colourful printing of our names.



## Work related learning

We have joined the rest of the school in making poppies on a production line in class. It has been great fun although it was a bit tricky, but worth it!



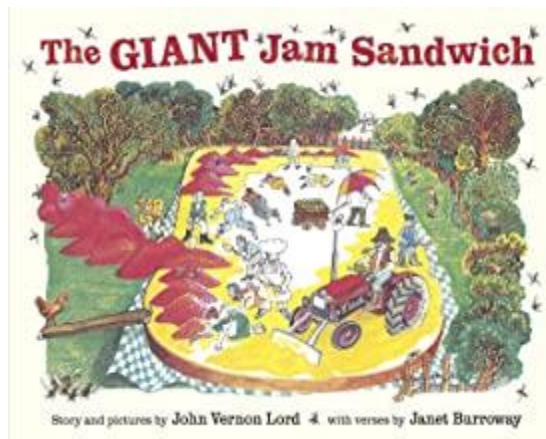
## Learning at home

Everyday throughout this term our friends learning at home have joined us for lessons online. We have had lots of fun learning together and learnt to be patient with the internet !





## 'The Giant Jam Sandwich'



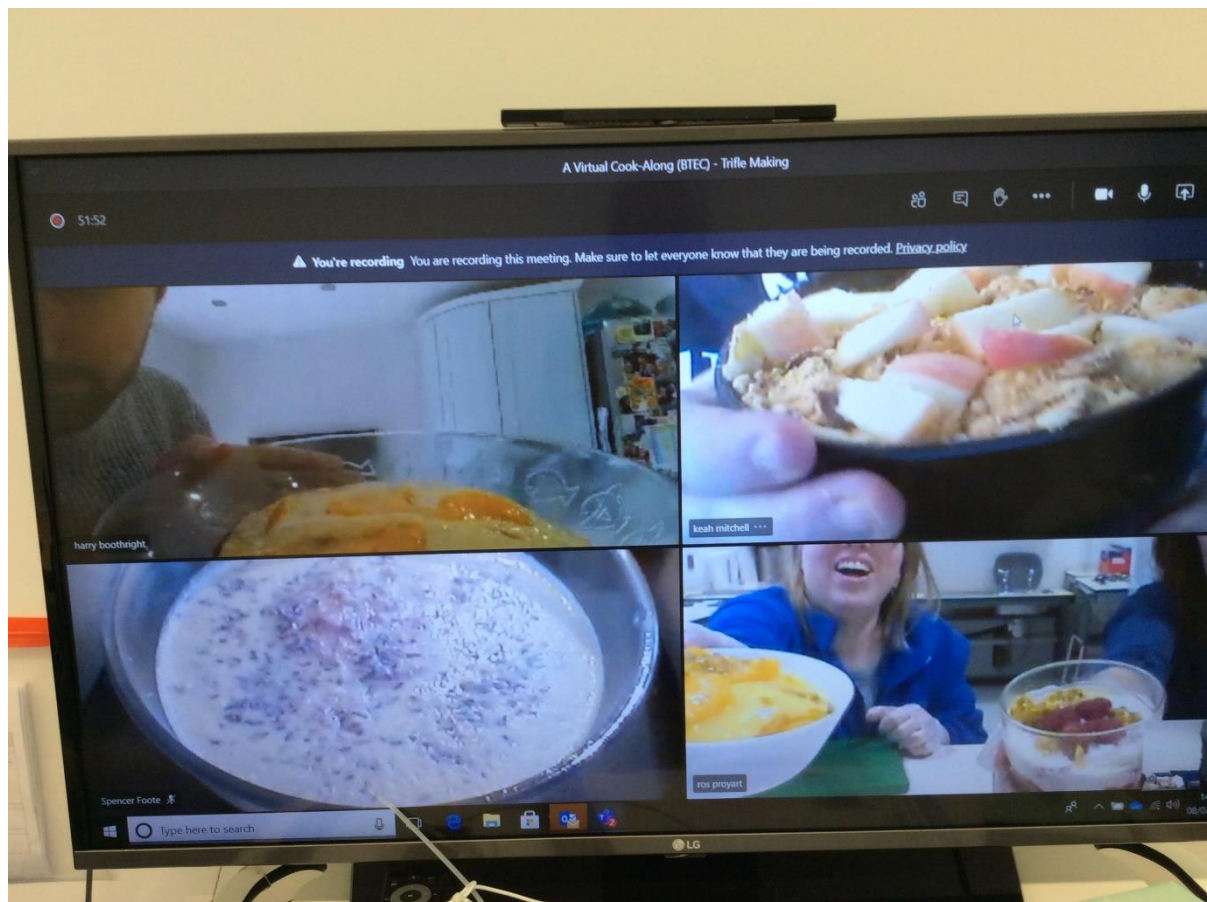
In Linnet class we have been reading a book called "The Giant Jam Sandwich". This book is about a village that is invaded by 4000 wasps and the villagers have to make a plan to get them out the village; they came up with a plan to make a giant jam sandwich and the plan worked well. To find out more Linnet recommend you read this exciting book. Kian was very hands on with this story and with the help of his mum he made a jam sandwich (see photo) and ate it for his lunch.



# BTEC Cooking

BTEC Cooking had a cook along this week and made trifles. It was impressive to see how everyone found their own ingredients at home to create the dessert.

Harry made his own cake in the morning to use as a base for his trifle. Beth and Spenser made a large portion to share with the family. There were lots of laughs and some very impressive creative ideas. Role on next term when we will be making pasta dishes.



# BTEC Cooking

BTEC lessons were delivered virtually. Pupils at home, as well as at school, have achieved some amazing work. We would like to say a Big Thank You for all helpers: parents as well as Avenue staff, without your amazing help it would be really difficult to run the lessons.

In our lessons we have made;

## Crunchy red cabbage salad



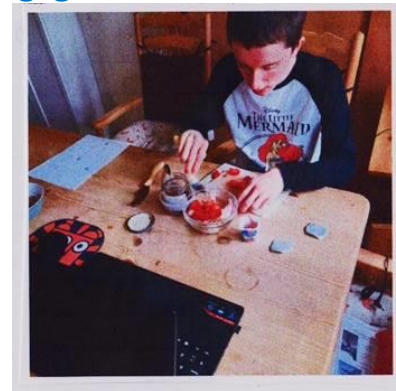
## Delicious leek salad



## Granola or oats with yoghurt and fruits



## Here is Eric making granola



## Gideon made his granola with fruits



## Jess is enjoying her salad



## Wren Class

Here are some photos of Wren class working on their numeracy/literacy (Read Write Inc.) skills and enjoying the snow.



We also celebrated one of our student's birthday, who turned 7 yesterday.







# Kestrel Class



**Kestrels at home  
and in school  
have done a  
fantastic job of  
learning so far this  
year.**

**Thank you parents  
too, for your hard  
work!**

# Heron Class

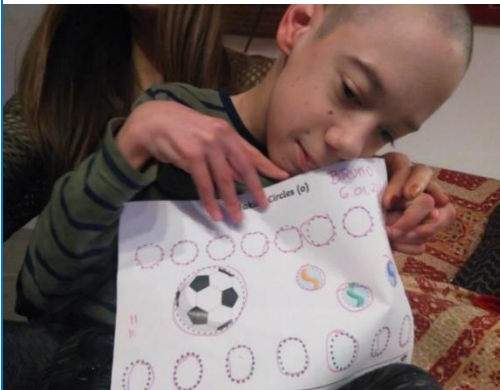
Heron Class have been working really hard this term. They have all adapted well to online Teams lessons and have been making great progress. It has been a learning curve for us all with the tech side of things. We appreciate everyone's patience and the positive feedback that parents have given us.

The pupils in school have been working really hard on Patterns and Shapes in maths, they have also been learning about the water cycle and learning a new song about how the cycle works.

In Cooking they have been making lots of things, including dairy free chocolate ice cream and red cabbage healthy salad.

At home the pupils have all been doing some wonderful home learning and producing a very high standard of work. Some pupils have even been doing some extra work at home to really challenge themselves. Well done!

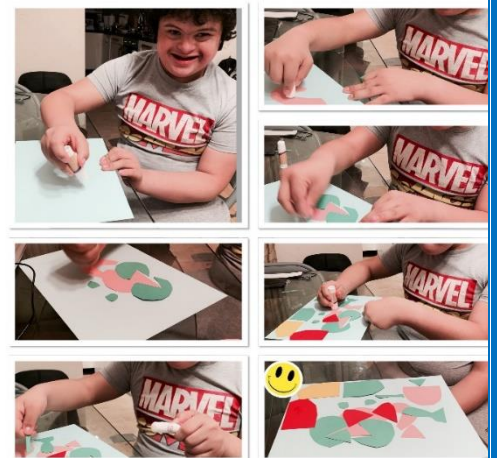
**Bruno with his excellent Maths worksheet:**



**Jess created a beautiful Sea themed piece of artwork at home and also a daffodil painting:**



**Samuel also enjoyed the sea themed art project and the paint blowing challenge**





# Heron Class

(continued)

Weronika has been busy helping mum at home in the kitchen and has made some delicious treats:



All of the children have enjoyed some fun times in the snow (in school we had snow ball fights):



Jess says can you guess who made these prints in the snow.....??





## Robin Class

Robin Class have been exploring the story of The Three Little Pigs for our topic 'Stacking, Sticking & Building'. We've also made our own art pieces from the story including a pig, a wolf and the three little pigs' houses. As part of our topic the children have been making vegetable kebabs. The children have all been working very hard both at home and at school. Well done Robin Class.



## Shafaq

Shafaq is making cheese scones from a recipe sent from school



They look  
delicious  
Shafaq!





## Yuvan Busy at Home





## Hatchlings Class

Hatchlings Class have enjoyed walking in the local community. Of course no walk is complete without jumping in a puddle!



Hatchling pupils have also been learning at home having lots of fun during virtual sessions with Emma and Deaglan!

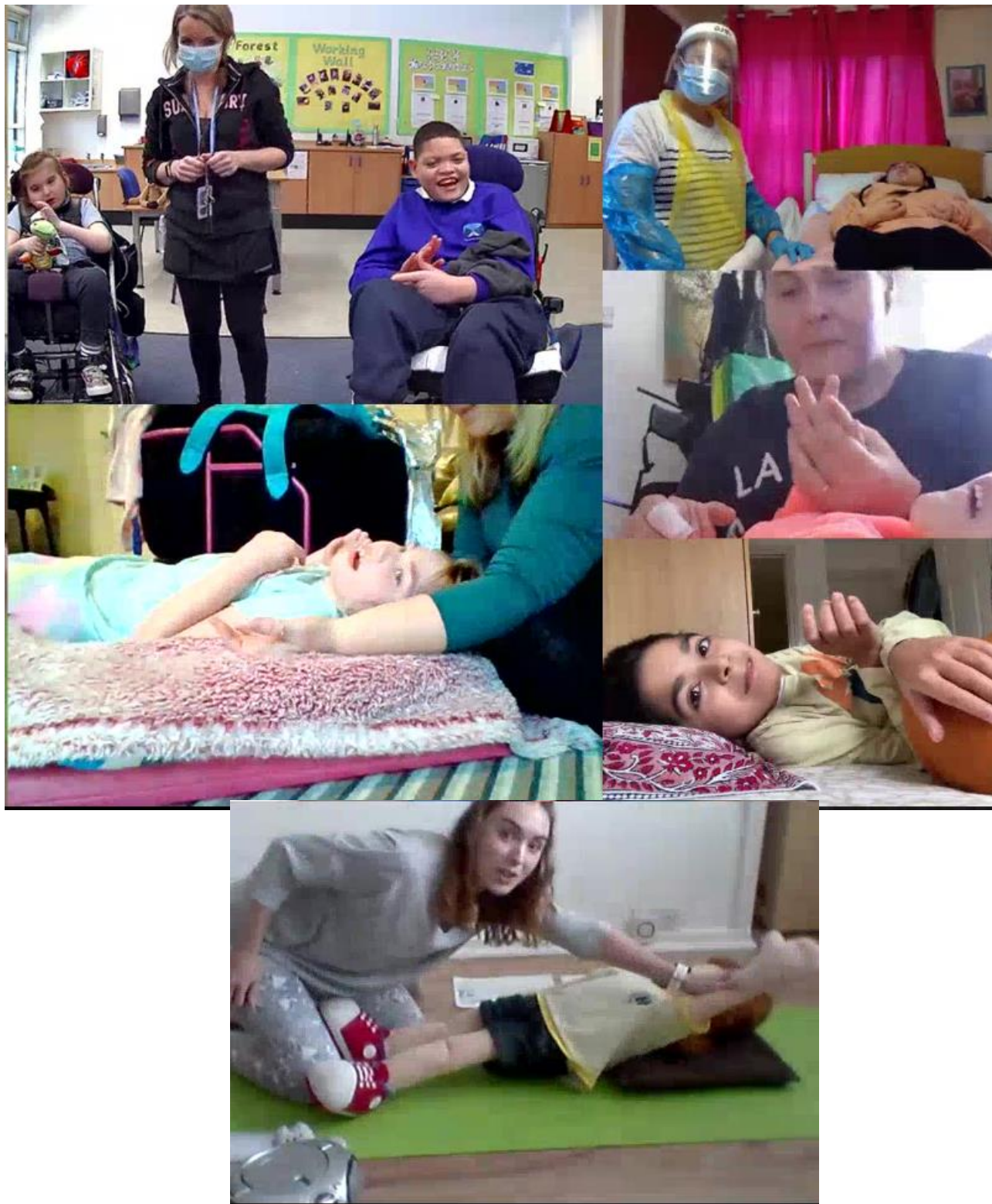
## Barn Owl and Dove Home Learning

Here are a few screenshots from Dove/Barn Owl class (and a pupil from Heron class) Virtual Lessons. Some of the pupils have seemed to really respond to seeing/hearing familiar faces at home and in school.





## Barn Owl and Dove Home Learning (continued)

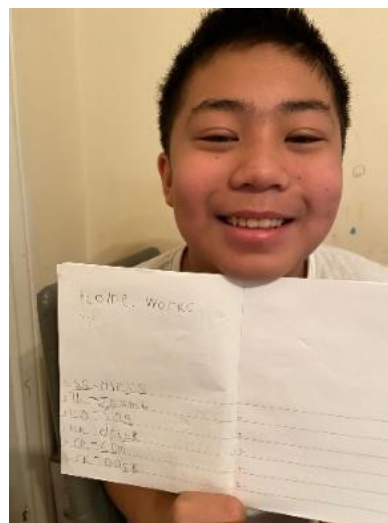
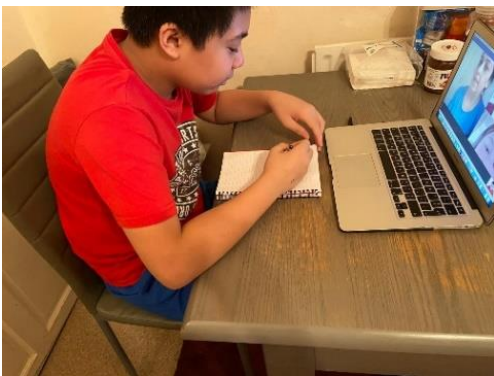




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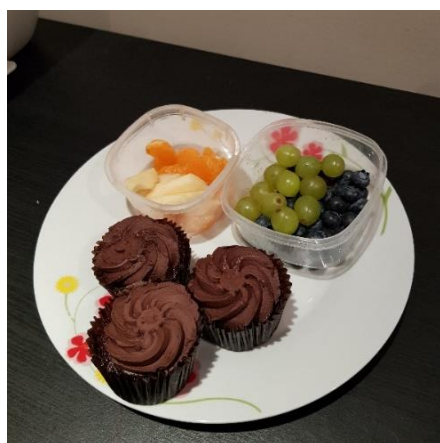
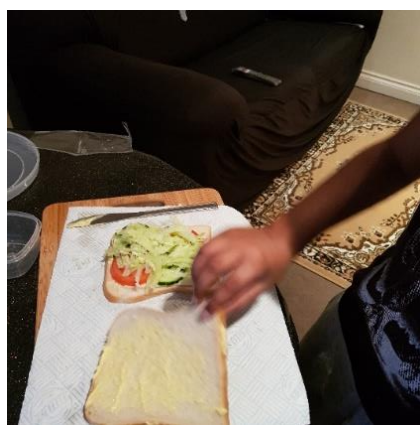
This term we have been learning from home but we have had a lot of fun learning and interacting on Teams. As a class we have managed to meet for at least two lessons daily and it has been very successful. The Starlings are always eager to come onto Teams and the levels of concentration and participation have been phenomenal. We would like to sincerely thank all the parents and siblings who have been fantastic in supporting the young people. Well done everyone.

Our Phonics lessons have gone so well and each of our three groups has had great experiences.



# STARLING CLASS

We have also had great fun making healthy snacks in cooking to keep with our theme of Healthy Lifestyles



# STARLING CLASS

We have also had great fun learning about materials and their properties. We searched and explored materials in our houses and it was amazing! Everything is made of one material or another! We then learned about how materials are suited for their purpose and made a house using different materials including food!

In RSHE (Growing Up), we have enjoyed learning about emotions. We made faces, sang and listened to happy and sad songs, listened to stories about emotions and learned how to deal with our strong emotions by talking to adults we trust.

In our Community Access we have explored lots of places in our local community. Using pictures and clips we explored most local facilities including supermarkets, post offices, police stations, hospitals and local parks. We now know where to go when we want different items. We have also learned about people who help us in the community and continue to explore the important work done by these people.

Yoga and dance have also been essential parts of our home learning. Thanks to Teams we have been able to enjoy Cosmic Yoga sessions with lots of fun. We have also enjoyed dancing to our favourite songs including Cha Cha Slide.



From Starling team, we wish everyone a pleasant break.



## Food Deliveries

Mel, Melissa, Louise and Glynnis have been making food deliveries to the families every week.

Families are so pleased to see us each week and are very grateful for the food parcels which Pat puts together.

It's lovely for us to see the children who aren't in school, check they are doing ok each week and have a chat on the doorstep. We also deliver homework to pupils in Osprey/Woodpecker class and doorstep checks.

In the photos below we see Libby, Spencer, Beth, and Bella who is hiding round the corner, as she is a bit shy.



# Safeguarding – keeping our children/young people safe from harm



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## **Safeguarding – keeping our children/young people safe from harm**

### **Keeping children safe from abuse and harm**

The DfE has jointly published guidance with the Home Office, Department for Culture, Media and Sport and Public Health England on keeping children safe from abuse and harm. The guidance brings together sources of information about the main risks children may be vulnerable to during the coronavirus outbreak.

The guidance can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm>

**Updated guidance on keeping children safe online** With the Home Office and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, we have updated advice and guidance to help parents and carers to keep children safe online during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to include new information on apps to help children stay safe online.

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### **Coronavirus Covid-19 information and support (Children's Society)**

The Children's Society has a range of support materials for young people, parents and schools in their mental and emotional health resource 'vault' including:

- Anxiety
- Depression and Mood
- Loneliness
- Obsessive compulsive disorder
- Phobias
- Self-care
- Emotional resilience
- Mental Resilience

The resources can be found here:

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/coronavirus-information-and-support>



Home Schooling in the Home Counties has been set up to provide parental support to those who are home schooling, by offering free IT support and printing services to make sure that every child has the right resources to learn. We have also enlisted the help of two University students, who will be providing advice and support for the trickier homeworking questions!

All these services and more can be found on our Facebook page below. We will also be posting fun resources and inspiration every day of the school week.

<https://www.facebook.com/homeschoolingparentsupport>

## Sensory Garden News

### Winter craft

It's been wonderfully frosty in the school garden. The young people have enjoyed exploring this winter. Take a look at some of the craft we have been making.

- Muggle wands. Using a potato peeler, coloured thread and willow cuttings we made the most magical wands!
- Elder bead bracelet. Our bracelets are high street quality!! The young people used a smaller stick to push through the soft pith inside elderwood and then threaded it to make their very own piece of jewellery.
- Ice sculptures. Knowing we were going to have a frost overnight we decided to make fabulous frozen art. We started by filling a container with water and, using natural things, we foraged for things to decorate it.
- Den building. The young people have had the most wonderful time building. I wonder if they will let you know the password?





# Family Support

At The Avenue we aim to offer our families support to enable children to thrive, to maximise potential and independence. We work in close partnership with families, providing care and support to enable everyone to feel confident and secure.

Our Family Support Worker, Kelly Boahene, is integral to achieving these aims. Along with all staff that have contact with your child she endeavours to work with parents and carers to have a positive impact on the lives of children, young people and our families. She offers 1:1 appointments, telephone advice, home visits, support with community appointments, meetings with professionals, as well attending multi-agency meetings in school. She is also available to offer direct support with referrals to various agencies – grant and allowance applications and help with form filling.

As the family support worker Kelly will offer practical help and emotional support to families experiencing short or long-term difficulties, with the aim of empowering parents to address difficult situations, wide-ranging challenges, reduce problems and risks with a range of social and personal issues. If direct support isn't sufficient she will signpost parents and carers to the appropriate agency or professional for advice and action. Family support is also offered for EWO (Education Welfare Officer) home visits, medical appointments, new pupil transitions, and bridging the gap when relationships have broken down.

Throughout the year, in discussion with parents and carers, we look to identify training opportunities and workshops for our parents; these are hopefully useful, interesting and fun. Kelly will liaise with the appropriate professionals and arrange for them to deliver to our parents in school. She will send flyers home, so please look out for these.

Kelly's work with parents is confidential and she works tirelessly to build a trusting relationship with all parents and carers.

Kelly Boahene (Family Support Worker)

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## A Ray of Soap!!

The Thoughtful Bubble Company provides meaningful work experience to Students at The Avenue Special Needs School



As part of our Careers and Work Related Learning plans 2019/2020 it had always been our intention to create an in house soap business. Although the national lockdown delayed our intentions it did give us the opportunity to research supporting organisations, which led us to the Peter Jones Foundation.

As part of the Peter Jones foundation, Tycoon Enterprise, The Avenue School loaned £254.00 risk free to create **The Thoughtful Bubble Company**. Our 6th form students have produced, wrapped, packed and sold 100's of quality handmade soap bars. I think it is fair to say we could not keep up with production and overall we made 35KG of soap!!! This made the product more appealing and up until the last 20 bars we only sold via an ordering system. **Vitaly each student has gained experience of the work place in all aspects of production, quality control, fulfillment and customer service**, during this first phase.





## **The Thoughtful Bubble Company took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the National Tycoon Competition with sales of over £700.00!!!**



Our aim is to continue trading throughout 2021, with new and exciting products to be made & sold by students, at craft fayres, online and



within our local community. Our profits will be reinvested into the further development of our brand, that will give the opportunity to many more students gaining the experience of the work place in a way that is accessible and meaningful.

Our short term plans are to expand into other products whilst keeping true to our brand (eco-friendly, natural products, vegan, recyclable packaging, made by students) our next products will be centred around Valentine and Mother's day.

Our long-term aim is to register as a charitable business that offers supported volunteering & employment opportunities to SEND adults that have left full time education

**The Tycoon Enterprise Competition is free, open to all schools, from Primary to sixth form, is fully resourced, with funding and learning resources provided.**

# The Thoughtful Bubble Company

Below are quotes and logos of 2 local companies that have made donations to The Thoughtful Bubble Company to purchase equipment that offer students even more opportunities to be involved in our school business

*The Talentino Foundation is proud to be able to support the Enterprise business of the Avenue Special School Academy and has always been impressed by the Head and the Staff who ALWAYS go the extra mile for their students and families. If you are able to purchase any of their limited editions, I strongly recommend it!) Jenny Connick Founder Talentino*



It's fabulous you did so well in a national competition - well done to you all. I wish you tons of success in 2021 and beyond in your continued trading and hope it goes from strength to strength and offers more youngsters to opportunity to grow in both business and personal knowledge and confidence.

Karen Bell Founder of The Tilehurst Directory



During lockdown the menus have been altered and a huge thank you must go to Pat and her kitchen staff for making sure no children have gone hungry.

Here are the lunch menus from January 2021

Please note the price for each standard meal is £2.30

## AVENUE LUNCH OPTIONS

### WEEK ONE

FROM JANUARY 2021

VEGAN DAY

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT/FISH	Chicken Spaghetti Bolognaise (GE, C) Garlic Bread (GM, Soy) G/F Available	Chicken and Sweetcorn Pizza (G/F) Wedges (G/F) Peas G/F Available (GM, MUS, Soy, C)	G/F Roast Chicken G/F Gravy G/F Roast Potatoes G/F Vegetables	Veggie Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce (GEC) G/F Rice G/F Vegetables Naan Bread (GM, SES, Soy)	O/Baked Fish Fingers (F, G) G/F Chips G/F Baked Beans
VEGETARIAN	Macaroni Cheese (GME) Garlic Bread (GM, Soy) G/F Available	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Wedges Peas G/F Available (GM, MUS, Soy, C)	Cheese and Onion Pattie (GME) G/F Gravy G/F Roast Potatoes G/F Vegetables	Vegetable Curry G/F Rice G/F Vegetables Naan Bread (GM, SES, Soy)	Quorn Frankfurter Hot-Dog G/F Chips G/F Baked Beans (GME, Sul, Soy, SES)
JACKET POTATO All G/F	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)
SANDWICH OPTION	Chicken Sandwich G/F Available (GM, Soy, SES)	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich G/F Available (GMEF, Soy, MUS, SES)	Cheese Sandwich G/F Available (GM, Soy, SES)	Houmous with Pitta Bread, Cucumber and Carrot Sticks & Cherry Tomatoes (G, SES)	

EACH DAY THERE WILL BE A DIFFERENT PUDDING AVAILABLE

#### ALLERGEN INFORMATION:

G/F GLUTEN FREE

G GLUTEN, F FISH, M MILK, Soy SOYBEANS, E EGG, MUS MUSTARD, SUL SULPHUR DIOXIDE, L LUPIN, C CELERY, LEN LENTILS

SES SESAME SEEDS



# AVENUE LUNCH OPTIONS

## WEEK TWO

FROM JANUARY 2021

VEGAN DAY

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT/FISH	Chicken Sausages (G, Sul) G/F Gravy Mash and Vegetables G/F Available	Chicken and Vegetable Pie with Gravy G/F New Potatoes G/F Vegetables (GME)	G/F Roast Chicken G/F Gravy G/F Roast Potatoes G/F Vegetables	Vegetable Lasagne (G, Soy) Crusty Bread (G,Soy,SES) G/F Vegetables G/F Available	O/Baked Salmon Fish Cake (F,G) G/F Chips G/F Baked Beans
VEGETARIAN	Quorn Sausages (GME) G/F Gravy Mash and Vegetables G/F Available	Cheese Potato Boat (M) With Gravy G/F New Potatoes G/F Vegetables G/F Available	Vegetable Pastie (GME) G/F Gravy G/F Roast Potatoes G/F Vegetables	Tomato and Butterbean Pasta (GC, Sul) Crusty Bread (G,Soy,SES) G/F Vegetables G/F Available	Quorn Burger in a Roll G/F Chips G/F Baked Beans (GME,MUS Sul, Soy, SES)
JACKET POTATO All G/F	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)
SANDWICH OPTION	Tuna Sandwich With Mayonnaise G/F Available (GMEF, MUS, Soy,SES)	Cheese Sandwich G/F Available (GM, Soy, SES)	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich G/F Available (GME, Soy,MUS,SES)	Salsa with Pitta Bread, Cucumber and Carrot Sticks & Cherry Tomatoes (G)	

EACH DAY THERE WILL BE A DIFFERENT PUDDING AVAILABLE

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# AVENUE LUNCH OPTIONS

## WEEK THREE

FROM JANUARY 2021

VEGAN DAY

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT/FISH	Chicken Carbonara Pasta with leeks & Peppers (GME) G/F Available Garlic Bread (GM, Soy) Vegetables	Chicken Sausages (G, Sul) G/F Gravy G/F Mash G/F Vegetables G/F Available	G/F Roast Chicken G/F Gravy G/F Roast Potatoes G/F Vegetables	G/F Vegetable Chilli (LEN, Soy, SUL, C) G/F Brown Rice Naan Bread & Bhajis (GM, SES, Soy) G/F Available	O/Baked Battered Fish (F,G) G/F Chips G/F Baked Beans G/F Available
VEGETARIAN	Tomato Pasta Bake (GME) G/F Available Garlic Bread (GM, Soy) Vegetables	Vegetable Sausages (G, Soy) G/F Gravy G/F Mash G/F Vegetables G/F Available	G/F Lentil Roast (Soy, LEN, ME) G/F Gravy G/F Roast Potatoes G/F Vegetables	Vegetable Stir Fry (GC, Soy) G/F Brown Rice Naan Bread & Bhajis (GM, SES, Soy) G/F Available	Quorn Nuggets (G) G/F Chips G/F Baked Beans (GME, MUS, Sul, Soy, SES)
JACKET POTATO All G/F	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)	G/F, Cheese (M) Beans/ Tuna Mayonnaise (FEM, MUS)
SANDWICH OPTION	Cheese Sandwich G/F Available (GM, Soy, SES)	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich G/F Available (GME, MUS, Soy, SES)	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich G/F Available (GMEF, Soy, MUS, SES)	Falafel (G) with Pitta Bread, Cucumber and Carrot Sticks & Cherry Tomatoes & Mint Yoghurt (Soy, SUL)	

EACH DAY THERE WILL BE A DIFFERENT PUDDING AVAILABLE

ALLERGEN INFORMATION:

G/F GLUTEN FREE

G GLUTEN, F FISH, M MILK, Soy SOYBEANS, E EGG, MUS MUSTARD, SUL SULPHUR DIOXIDE, L LUPIN, C CELERY, LEN LENTILS

SES SESAME SEEDS

# The Avenue School

## School Terms & Holidays 2020 - 2021

September 2020						
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June 2021						
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<b>Term 1 2020</b>	<b>Thursday 3 September 2020 - Friday 23 October 2020</b> * Teachers' In Service Training days: Thursday 3 September and Friday 4 September (school closed for pupils) Total days: 37
<b>Term 2 2020</b>	<b>Monday 2 November 2020 - Friday 18 December 2020</b> * Teachers' In Service Training days: Monday 2 November and Tuesday 3 November (school closed for pupils) Total days: 35
<b>Term 3 2021</b>	<b>Monday 4 January 2021 - Friday 12 February 2021</b> * Teachers' In Service Training day: Monday 4 January (school closed for pupils) Total days: 30
<b>Term 4 2021</b>	<b>Monday 22 February 2021 - Thursday 1 April 2021</b> Total days: 29
<b>Term 5 2021</b>	<b>Monday 19 April 2021 - Friday 28 May 2021</b> Teachers In Service Training Day; Monday 19 April Total Days; 29
<b>Term 6 2021</b>	<b>Monday 7 June 2021 - Friday 23 July 2021</b> Total days 35

Total days in school year: 195 (Including 6 In-service training days)

Pupils should not attend school on any of the days that are shaded above. Parents/Guardians please note that the school is normally closed for pupils on 5 days in the school year for Teachers In-Service Training days. In addition, we have allocated an extra day for Health and Safety Training. Please see above dates.

### Public Holidays in year 2020/2021

Christmas	25-Dec-20	Good Friday	02-Apr-21	Spring Bank Holiday	31-May-21
Boxing Day	26-Dec-20	Easter Monday	05-Apr-21	August Bank Holiday	30-Aug-21
New Year	01-Jan-21	May Bank Holiday	03-May-21		



# The Avenue School

## School Terms & Holidays 2021 - 2022

September 2021							October 2021							November 2021							December 2021						
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January 2022							February 2022							March 2022							April 2022						
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May 2022							June 2022							July 2022							August 2022						
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<b>Term 1 2021</b>	<b>Thursday 2 September 2021 - Friday 22 October 2021</b> * Teachers' In Service Training days: Wednesday 1 September 2021 (school closed for pupils) Total days: 38
<b>Term 2 2021</b>	<b>Wednesday 3 November 2021 - Friday 17 December 2021</b> * Teachers' In Service Training days: Monday 1 November & Tuesday 2 November 2021 (school closed for pupils) Total days: 35
<b>Term 3 2022</b>	<b>Wednesday 5 January 2022 - Friday 18 February 2022</b> * Teachers' In Service Training day: Tuesday 4 January 2022 (school closed for pupils) Total days: 34
<b>Term 4 2022</b>	<b>Monday 28 February 2022 - Friday 8 April 2022</b> Total days: 30
<b>Term 5 2022</b>	<b>Tuesday 28 April 2022 - Friday 27 May 2022</b> * Teachers' In Service Training day: Tuesday 25 April (school closed for pupils) Total days: 24
<b>Term 6 2022</b>	<b>Monday 6 June 2022 - Wednesday 20 July 2022</b> * Teachers' In Service Training day: Thursday 21 July 2022 (school closed for pupils) Total days: 34

Total days in school year: 195 (including 6 in-service training days)

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### Public Holidays in year 2021/2022

Christmas	25-Dec-21	Good Friday	15-Apr-22	Spring Bank Holiday	02-Jun-22
Boxing Day	26-Dec-21	Easter Monday	18-Apr-22	Platinum Jubilee Holiday	03-Jun-22
New Year	03-Jan-22	May Bank Holiday	02-May-22	August Bank Holiday	29-Aug-22



sQuid is an online payment system that can be used to make a variety of school payments. Parents can use sQuid to pay for school payments such as: Dinner Money top ups, Cashless Catering top ups, and payments for School Trips & Offers.

### Benefits

- More convenient; no need to worry about sending cash or cheques
- View your child's transactions anywhere, at any time
- Ensure money is being spent on healthy school meals
- Auto top up payments for peace of mind that your account will never run out of fund Please use sQuid to top up for dinners on a regular basis, trips, food tech donations and Afterschool Club



## Order Your School Uniform Online

### Brigade Parents Direct to School

The Quick & Convenient Way to Order Your Crested & Non Crested School Uniform



**\*ORDER YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL UNIFORM WITH FREE DELIVERY INTO SCHOOL/ACADEMY \***

ORDERS ARE PLACED IN A QUEUE UNTIL THE 15<sup>th</sup> AND 30<sup>th</sup> OF EACH MONTH AND DELIVERED INTO SCHOOL UP TO 14 DAYS AFTER

**PLEASE SUBMIT SCHOOL ADDRESS ONLY IN THE DELIVERY FIELDS & INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S NAME INTO SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Log onto [www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com](http://www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com) enter your child's school name (delivery to school service) and select the school from the drop down list provided

**\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION—SUMMER HOLIDAY ORDERS\*\***

Please note that the last order date for delivery into school before the summer break is 30th June

**[www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com](http://www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com)**

# The Avenue School

Please make a note of these dates

**PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

<i>EVENT</i>	<i>DATE</i>
<i>Last day of Term 3</i>	<i>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021</i>
<i>First day of Term 4</i>	<i>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021</i>
<i>Last day of Term 4</i>	<i>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021</i>

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