



# TEMPLEMOOR INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: 18TH MAY 2020

## A message from Mr Hodgson

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I hope you have had a good week with your families. I also hope that you are all keeping well and are continuing to keep both your minds and your bodies healthy. It is good to know that some of the restrictions are being slowly lifted so that we can now go out for exercise a little more frequently as long as we conform to the social distancing guidelines.

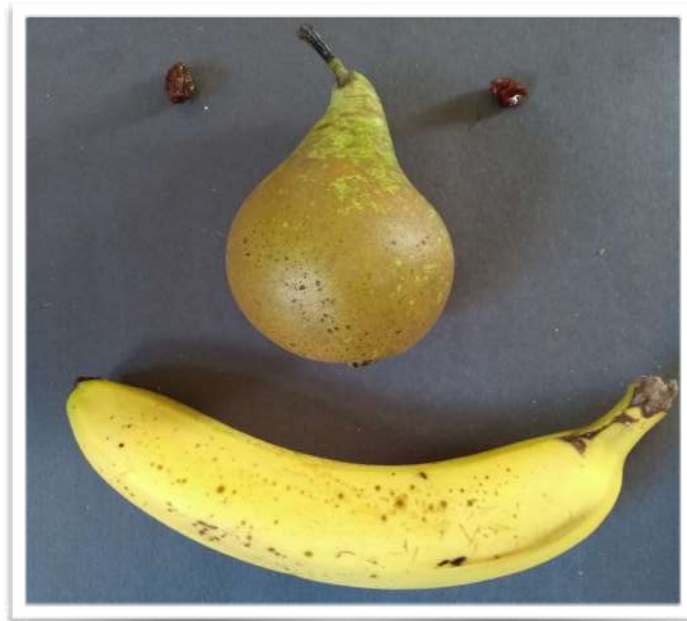
The announcement from the Prime Minister last Sunday means that we are starting to plan for a potential reopening on the 8th June for the children in Reception. Thank you to our Reception parents for filling in the online questionnaire, that has helped us to understand how you are feeling about your children potentially returning to school. We are working very hard with the Local Authority and headteachers across Trafford to plan how this will look. Please be assured that, as always, at the forefront of our decision making is the safety and wellbeing of the children and staff. As soon as a plan is agreed, we will share it with you. It is important that you get reliable and clear information rather than make premature



announcements that leave you with more questions than answers and that lack clarity.

I would like to once again say a huge heartfelt thank you to our wonderful Templemoor parents for your patience, support and understanding in what have been, and indeed continues to be challenging and difficult times. Please continue to look after each other, keep safe and keep smiling.

With very best wishes, Mr Hodgson.



## A message from Mrs Rowland



Hello to all our wonderful Templemoor children and families. I hope you're all staying safe and well, and have been enjoying the sunshine during your time at home. It is fantastic to see all

the hard work and photographs that you have been sending in. I most enjoy seeing your smiles as I am missing those very much. School is very quiet (and tidy!) without you all and I can't wait to be laughing, reading and acting out stories together again soon.

My boys have been keeping me very busy when I've not been teaching in school. We have many science projects on the go including salt crystals forming on my window ledge and water distilling in the garden. I am trying to find a quiet few minutes to read a book outside whilst dodging footballs, basketballs, table tennis balls, shuttlecocks, Nerf gun pellets, arrows and water pistols. Away from home schooling and exercise, my boys have been finding creative ways to pass the time. We have spent time taking photographs of flowers and bugs in the garden and making the most of the clear skies to star-gaze at night.

I hope you are all finding fun ways to keep busy at home. Keep enjoying stories and cuddles and stay safe and smiling!

With very best wishes, Mrs Rowland

P.S. There's a Shield bug hiding in this photo - can you find it?



## Science Support

BP Educational Services has hundreds of resources that are free to access and open to everyone. There are a range of science activities to complete online as well as offline for children aged 4 to 16 years. Some of these activities include online experiments, where you can discover the power of soap and even grow your own rainbow plus much more. All of these resources can be accessed at <https://bpes.bp.com/home-learning>.





## A message from Mrs Beck



Well hello to all our lovely pupils, parents, carers, grandparents, doggies and everyone else who knows me!

The school office is so quiet now. There's no one to collect registers, no one to come and get a birthday badge and no one to ask me to find Mr Roberts to clean up after the cats in the playground! I've been working from home and in the school office making sure that bills keep getting paid, teachers' laptops are working, websites can be accessed, milk is delivered (teachers need coffee) and bins are emptied. All very vital and necessary - but it's just not as much fun without the children there.

I am missing each and every child and hope you are having a lovely time altogether at home.

In the Beck household, we've been very busy. I've learnt how to make Andy Goldsworthy outdoor art with my daughter (see the photograph below), how to win at Super Mario with my son and how to chase squirrels with Peggy the pooch. Good life skills I'm sure you'll all agree. Both of my children are missing their friends so so much and they really want to go back to school. I know that you will be wanting to come back too but don't worry, we'll all be back together again at some point.

Our lovely school caretaker, Mr Roberts, has been hard at work making sure that school will be all sparkly and clean when you come back (thank you Mr Roberts!) and I've been giving him lots and lots

of jobs to do (lucky Mr Roberts!). He's been coming into school every day so we must all say a big thank you when you next see him for keeping our school scrubbed and polished.

Well there's lots to do so I'd better love you and leave you. Remember to keep washing your hands, keep being kind to one another, keep creating such beautiful artwork and keep being happy.

Best wishes to one and all,

Mrs Beck

## Reading Books

A number of parents have asked whether it is possible to change reading books. Unfortunately we are unable to change reading books due to the risks involved, and will not be able to do so for the foreseeable future.

As well as Oxford Owl, another great resource for online reading books is Collins Connect. You can currently access the resources for free at <https://connect.collins.co.uk/school/>

Username: parents@harpercollins.co.uk  
Password: Parents20!

Go to the Collins Big Cat. There are lots of colour banded reading books from pink to turquoise suitable for children, and resources giving parents ideas for questions and supporting activities. Happy reading!



## A message from Miss Salisbury



I hope that you are all well and enjoying some time at home. I am missing you all so very much, and I cannot wait until we are all back together again. Thank you so much for sending me

your fantastic work, pictures and messages about the things you have been doing, they always brighten my day! You are all working so hard and should be very proud of the time and effort that you are putting into your learning. Thank you parents and carers for your wonderful support, we really appreciate it during this strange time!

Over the past few weeks, I've spent some time in school, working with children from Nursery to Year 2. It's been great fun, learning about the continents, things that float, microhabitats and snails! It always cheers me up to go and see the children and different members of staff, and it gets me really excited for when we'll all be able to go back to school and learn together again.

I've also been enjoying lots of time at home. I've started gardening for the first time, and tried cooking some different recipes, which has been really fun but taken lots of perseverance (just like Tough Tortoise)! I've been trying to do my daily exercise, but it's not as fun as running the Templemoor Mile with you all, I can't wait for us to be able to do that again soon!

I hope that you are learning lots, but also having time to relax and play. Things are so different at the moment, it's really important that we remember to keep being kind to each other and to ourselves.

I'm looking forwards to seeing you again so much, but until then, stay safe, keep washing your hands and keep having fun!

Love Miss Salisbury



## Rights Respecting Article of the Week

This week it's Article 24, '*Ensure that every child has the right to the best possible health.*' Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy. This includes getting enough sleep, having nutritious food (fruit and vegetables and drinking lots of water), good hygiene (keeping clean, particularly washing your hands), lots of exercise, a clean environment, feeling safe, secure and respected and access to health care to see a doctor or a nurse when you need to be vaccinated against diseases.

Perhaps you could design a poster showing all the ways that you and your family can support your right to Article 24. You could include lots of drawings and maybe some labels.

You could maybe make up a song about washing your hands properly. We would love to hear it!

You could draw or make a list of people who can help you stay healthy and safe. What are their jobs?

The new hospitals that have been built are called Nightingales. Do you know who they are named after and what did this person do to enable the right to good quality healthcare?

Why don't you set up an obstacle course and challenge someone in your house to have a go? Or maybe you could make up a dance to your favourite song!



Send any of your work, videos, posters or pictures into us, we would love to see it!

### A message from Mrs Hardman



Hello from my house to yours, I hope you are all staying safe and well and I cannot wait to see you all very soon. As I have not seen you for ages I thought you might like to know what the

Hardman house has been up to?

Well our days are definitely not what they used to be. We would normally be rushing round: Ross (our eldest) dropping Max (our Grandson) off early to drop him at nursery, getting Millie (15) out very early to catch the bus to school, Grace (19) preparing her busy life with working at Petites Modes, teaching dancing and studying and Mr Hardman preparing for his work day whilst I would be trying to put the washing machine on, empty the dishwasher and Hoover the house before going to work .....

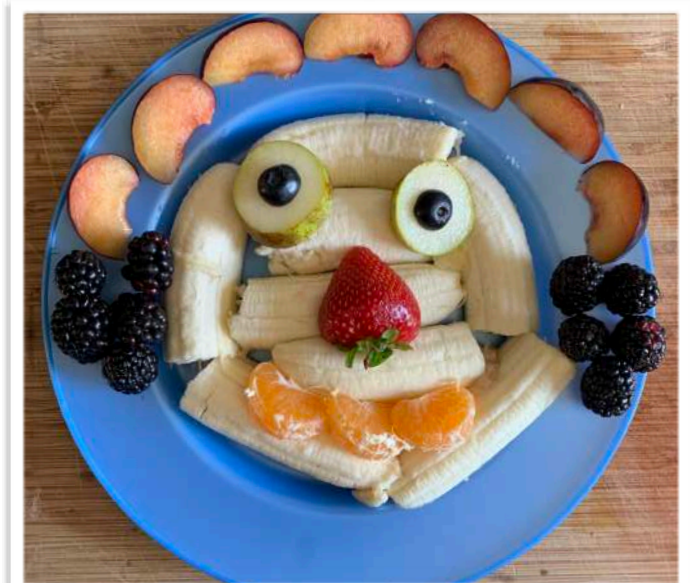
BUT now on the days I am not working in school I'm spending lots of time with my family. Millie is keeping up with her GCSE work (which is quite challenging at times), Grace has painted lots of things including her bedroom wall, desk and mirror which look fabulous now. Mr Hardman and I are catching up with lots of unfinished jobs around our house. We enjoy time in our beautiful garden, reading or listening to music, going on walks with our dog, Lottie, also Grace and Millie have been teaching me some new dance moves which we have lots of fun doing.

One thing I have enjoyed is collecting natural materials from my garden and making beautiful patterns with them .... the Hardman's have been a little competitive with this challenge but we have had lots of fun along the way.... maybe you could

design some wonderful patterns and share them with me.

Stay safe, keep smiling and we will see you all very soon.

Love Mrs Hardman and my family.



## National Book Token Competition

Your child can win a £10 National Book Token for each of their classmates – and surprise them all when schools reopen! Encourage your child to create a fabulous National Book Token design while they're learning from home, and they could return to school with National Book Tokens for all! Whether it's their school emblem doodled in ink, a pencil drawing of the entire class, or something completely different the choice is theirs! If chosen as a lucky winner, then when schools open up again, the young designer and their classmates will each receive a £10 National Book Token – emblazoned with the winning artwork – to inspire them to choose their next favourite book from their local bookshop.

### How to enter:

All entries should be produced on A4 paper using [this printable template](#). Complete the entry form below to see where to email your scanned template. (If you do not have access to a printer and/or scanner, you can take a photo of the artwork and use [this editable form](#) instead). The competition is open from Wednesday 6th May and the closing date for entries is Sunday 28th June 2020.

National Book Tokens will pick one winner each week until the competition closes. The winners will be featured on [nationalbooktokens.com](http://nationalbooktokens.com) and their social media channels, and their designs will be printed onto gift cards for each of their classmates when schools reopen. Good Luck everyone!



## And finally...

Please note that there will be no new home learning provided for the next two weeks, during what would have been our Whit Half Term holiday. Staff will continue to work on a rota system for the children of critical workers, and when they are not in school I really need them to be taking a well deserved break. You can still send in anything that you have been up to during the half term holiday, as we would still love to keep in touch with you all.

Please do get in contact if we can offer any help or advice. We continue to miss all of our Templemoor families and children. Stay safe and stay well.

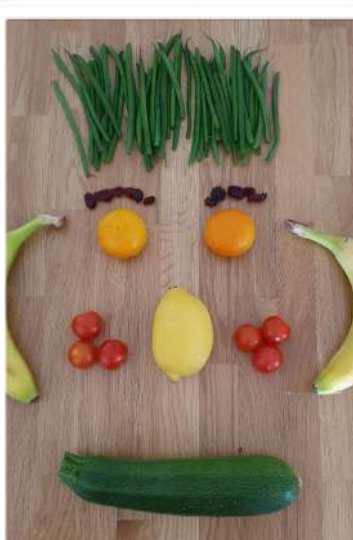
Mr Hodgson and the Templemoor Team.



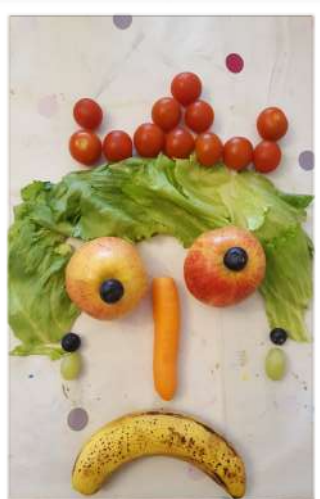
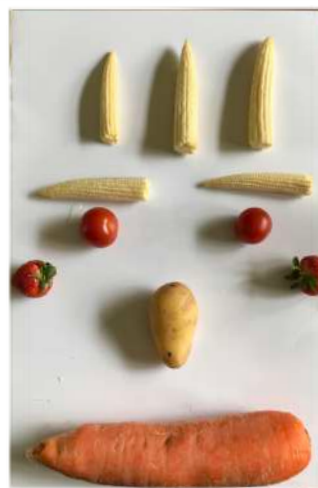


### Healthy Henry's Challenge

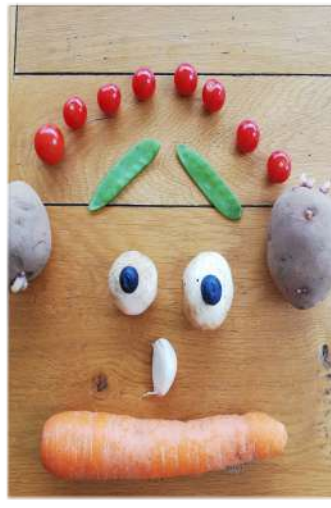
Last Monday, Mr Hodgson and Healthy Henry set the children a challenge. The challenge was to create a face made out of fruit, vegetables or natural materials! Well done children. Your creations are wonderful, and made us all smile! Look out for this week's challenge which is coming to you via email this week!



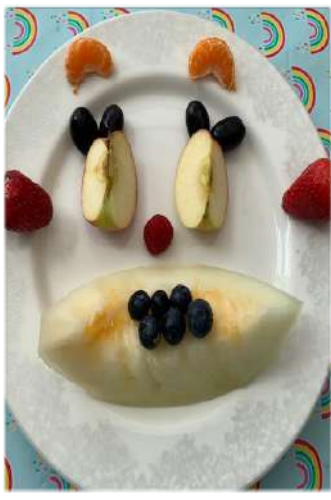














## Learning at Home

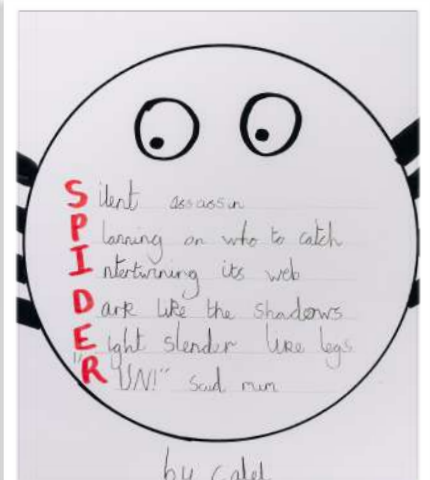
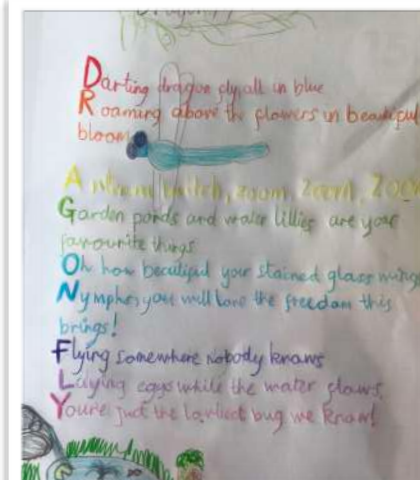
We hope you've enjoyed your home learning this week and had the opportunity to do lots of other things too. Judging by the email's we've received; it looks as though you have all been very busy indeed!



Painting a lighthouse, playing 'Guess Who?' and making a delicious fruit smoothie.



Printing using flowers, creating a picture in the style of Lowry and helping to bake a strawberry cake.



Practicing writing numbers and writing an acrostic poem.





Making a hot air balloon, creating a collage Tanzanian flag and painting a rainbow hand print.



Drawing in an art tutorial, making a planet poster and concocting your own potions.



Creating Mount Kilimanjaro, making delicious Tanzanian Banana dessert and completing a jigsaw.

Well done everyone, and keep your photographs coming in!