

# St Stephens Community Academy Fortnightly Family Newsletter



" Embracing Learning; Inspiring Ambition; Celebrating Individuality." Monday 18th May 2020



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## Dear Parents/Carers,

As I write this newsletter the staff and governors are planning for the possibility of the school re-opening to the ARB, Pre-school, YF, Y1 and Y6 pupils. As I mentioned in the letter I posted on the website , following the Prime Minister's announcement on the Sunday evening, we will update you on the arrangements for how this will work nearer the time and as soon as we know that this is a confirmed plan. This will include when children will be timetabled in school and our continuing provision for keyworker children and those not in

school. Please bear in mind that we only received the information at the same time as you did so need time to work out the practicalities of the arrangements to ensure the safety of all concerned and to ensure we have the provisions and staffing levels to support the return of any year group.

I am also aware that you may have concerns over the safety of children coming to school, especially if you, a family member or your child is vulnerable and may not yet be able to safely return to school. We have staff in the same situation and will do our utmost to work around this. If the governments proposals are able to go ahead at St Stephens we will of course need your opinion. As you know I sent out a letter to you to actually see which families would like to take up any offer we can provide .I have already been emailed by several families who do not wish their children to return and I respect their decision. These are unprecedented times and you as parents must make the right decision for you and your families. This is by no means seen as a personal reflection on our wonderful school and indeed I must thank you all for the amazing and well considered replies written to me -apologies that I have not had the opportunity to reply personally to all of them .Please note that if you do not choose to send your children in before the summer break you will not be penalised under the normal absence policy. If you have any particular and specific enquiries please do e-mail them to me at ststephens@andaras.org We will endeavour to update as soon as possible. We currently have more questions to consider than answers to give. In the meantime, take care, stay safe and keep in touch.

We all miss you more than you will ever know.

Maura Furber



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# **VE DAY Celebrations**



### Home Learning.

Yet again you have been demonstrating what amazing talents and skills you have with us. Well done for using your home learning grids and completing tasks set by your teachers. A huge thank to all the mums and dads (and grandparents) out there for supporting you so brilliantly. We can do this together!

























I made by own Monopoly, Lockdown Edition with my sister. It took us a long time to make but was great fun. I hope you like it. James





I got my music badge by taking a picture of me playing guitar and filling out a an application form. It was designed by Ed Sheeran . I now have 4 badges and would like to apply for the silver badge now.

A HUGE Congratulations to Eloise (Y5) who achieved her Blue Peter Music Badge.

We hope the guitar practice is going well and can't wait for you to play for us when we return.



Department for Education @educationgovuk

Parents and carers, @STEMLearningUK have put together a selection of activities and materials suitable for key stage 1 and key stage 2, all of which are completely free for everyone to access  $\mathbf{Q}$ 



https://twitter.com/educationgovuk/status/1260585820492267527?s=11

### YEAR 6 TRANSITION UPDATES

Just to let you know, Ms Neale has created a Transition page on the Class 6 Information page as well as uploading information to J2E Homework, should you need any transition

information. This will be updated as and when we receive information from Launceston College . Texts will also be sent directing you to the current information. Thank you to Mrs Rash @ Launceston College for keeping us updated.

### A Remarkable Man Celebrates His 100th Birthday

### Across the school the children have been learning about and celebrating this NHS champion.

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Cody Rash

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passed his target to reach over f 28 million for the NHS.

### Happy Birthday Colonel Tom Moore

Today is Colonel Tom Moore's 100th birthday. Yesterday, he was Captain Tom Moore. But today, he has been promoted to Honorary Colonel, because he raised a whopping 451 million for the NHS. He raised the money by walking 100 laps of his garden before his 100th birthday. For doing so well, he has been sent over 125,000 birthday cards including a special card from The Queen. The Prime Minister sent him a video message wishing him a happy birthday and thanking him for the money he raised. Colonel Tom was also interviewed on the news while the only two spitfire planes (that can fly) flew over his house as a special birthday trat. He said, "People keep saying what I have done is remarkable."



Writing (right) Cody (Y6)

Writing (above) Leo (Y5)

Captain Tom Moore has received thousands of birthday cards, raised over 29 million pounds for the National Health Service and with his 100th birthday getting closer he wanted to give the NHS 1000 pounds. He did this by walking 100 laps of his garden but quickly past his target. He also served in WW2 in India and the Burma campaign and is now a former British officer. For his 100th birthday they are doing a fly over his house in Bedfordshire. **Andrew (Y5)** 

Writing (right) Emily (Y5)

# Captain Tom Moore

" Tomorrow will be a good day . "

Captain Tom Moore turns 100 today . ( 30th April 2020 ) He was born in West Yorkshire in Keighley in 1920 . One day , he decided to raise money - In this difficult time - for the NHS . He decided to try to walk 100 laps around his garden before his 100th birthday . He was hoping to raise 1000 pounds for the NHS , but at 9:30 today on total the money raised , was £30,091,417 .

Here are just a few examples of work produced in KS2.

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has raised so much money to help people in need and

Also he has given people hope for the juture. He has set up a jurdinizing page and the website ensurages users to poup to 1596 on top of the donation amount. Captain Tore Moore has been a life saver to the NHS, they are iso grateful for what he has done for this country. He has led many others

Captain Ton soved in India and Myanoar during world War 2. On his 100th birthday he was awarded the title Colonel

He wanted to raise money to say thank you to the NHS for all his care . At age 98 he had to go to hospital after falling and breaking his hip and having cancer .

He fought in WW2 and also in INDIA and BURMA . He rose through the ranks and became the level CAPTAIN . His regiment, (Yorkshire regiment ) promoted him to an honorary Colonel this week .

Chris Evans - radio presenter - gave him his golden Olympic torch from the London 2012 Olympics . He was also awarded the pride of Britain reward .

"I am feeling fine I hope you're feeling fine too" .



Drawing by Amber (Y4)

Question by Paris (Y6)



| Outdoor<br>Scavenger<br>Hunt                                          |                                  |  |  |  |
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|                                                                       | 5 LEAVES THAT LOOK DIFFERENT     |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | A STICK THAT IS LONGER THAN YOUR |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | HAND                             |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | A ROCK WITH SPOTS ON IT          |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | A FLOWER                         |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | A FLAT ROCK                      |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | 10 BLADES OF GRASS               |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING YOU LOVE TO PLAY WITH  |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | A PIECE OF TRASH YOU CAN RECYCLE |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING THAT IS BROWN          |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING THAT IS HEAVY          |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING THAT IS VERY LIGHT     |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING THAT NEEDS SUN TO LIVE |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | AN ITEM SMALLER THAN YOUR THUMB  |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING THAT STARTS WITH "M"   |  |  |  |
|                                                                       | SOMETHING THAT SMELLS GOOD       |  |  |  |
| Ready for snack? Make sure everything gets put back where it belongs! |                                  |  |  |  |

# Healthy Body-Healthy Mind

Great to see and hear about lots of outside learning taking place .There's loads of evidence which shows exercise is an important key to reducing our risk of major illnesses and research also shows that regular physical activity can boost our self-esteem, mood and sleep quality, making us less prone to stress and depression. So rain or shine try and get outside everyday and take part in some physical activities. Perhaps you could try a scavenger hunt like the one here or why don't you make up one of your own for your family!

# **BOOK EXCHANGE**

Thank you to everyone who came to swap their children's books last week –it was so lovely to see you and catch up . The next book swap will be on the week beginning the 25th May.

| Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May @ 11.00-1.00pm.   | Mrs Furber | Surnames :A to D |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May@ 11.00-1.00p.m   | Ms Neale   | Surnames :E to J |
| Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May@ 11.00-1.00p.m | Mrs Paul   | Surnames :K to N |
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May@ 11.00-1.00p.m  | Mrs Hooper | Surnames :O to S |
| Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May@ 11.00-1.00p.m    | Mrs Furber | Surnames :T to Z |

This will be carefully monitored by the member of staff listed on each day and will be in the Main Reception area. Quick drop off and pick up –a walk through rather than a drive in!! So make sure you get those books ready to return …read them again and enjoy before new ones arrive at your home to share. Please can we ask that you adhere to the days and times stipulated to ensure this keeps everyone safe .Thank you .

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