



# Childwall CE Primary School

## Newsletter

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As I write our introduction to this week's newsletter, the sun is shining and, after the darkness and difficulties of the past several weeks, I feel a real sense of hope for the future. Boris has made me cry twice this term – the first, unsurprisingly, on 4<sup>th</sup> January when, after just one day back at school, he announced that, once again, schools were closed to all except vulnerable children and the children of critical workers. This Monday I cried again, this time with a sense of hope, excitement and joy at the prospect of all our school family being back learning and laughing together on 8<sup>th</sup> March. I will write nearer the time with full details but, for the most part, I anticipate things being very similar to the autumn term with staggered starts and finishes to the day and a continuation of all our usual safety measures. We're all now making plans to enable the children to move forwards as we address any gaps in learning or understanding that may have occurred whilst, just as importantly, ensuring lots of opportunities to develop the social interaction, physical, emotional and creative learning experiences which are such an important part of the school experience and the children's development – starting with our slightly delayed but eagerly anticipated World Book Day celebrations.

If you've been past school in the last few weeks, you may have noticed our fantastic new cycle rack has been installed, funded jointly by the PTFA and donations from our three local councillors; if you don't already, have a think about whether cycling or scooting to school could become your travel of choice. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

*"And the child grew and became strong; He was full of wisdom and God's blessings were upon Him." (Luke 2:40)*



This week's certificates were awarded to children **"For being a Creative writer/excellent progress in writing"** and were awarded to children working in school and those working remotely at home

EYFS: Sophie, Daniel K, Beatrice and Zach

- Class 3: Alice and Sienna
- Class 4: Oliver and Sebastian
- Class 5: Talia and Oliver
- Class 6: Max and Anna
- Class 7: Rayyan and Grace
- Class 8: Lucy and Charlie
- Class 9: Lucy and Katerina
- Class 10: Lottie and Abigail
- Class 11: Chloe, Eddie and Isobel
- Class 12: Rebekah and Lyla
- Class 13: Harry B and Olivia
- Class 14: Alicia, Hannah and Louis

Well done everybody!

### EYFS

It has been lovely to welcome back everyone in EYFS after the half term break, whether that is in school or online via Seesaw. This week we have focussed our learning around the story of 'Handa's Surprise'. We have learned lots of facts about the continent of Africa and because the animals took away the fruits from Handa's basket in the story we have also learned about subtraction in maths. We have been solving lots of number problems using a range of methods. In our 'Letters and Sounds' lessons we have learned 5 more new digraphs as well. We are super clever!

### 8<sup>th</sup> March

'I am SUPER pleased that on 8<sup>th</sup> March our friends and classmates will be coming back to school. I have been really missing my friends for months now and I finally get to see them. I am hoping we can meet up outside school before we go to different senior schools.

I can't wait! I'm counting back the days!

*Jessica, Year 6*

(We are all just as excited, Jessica!)

*Mrs Mason*



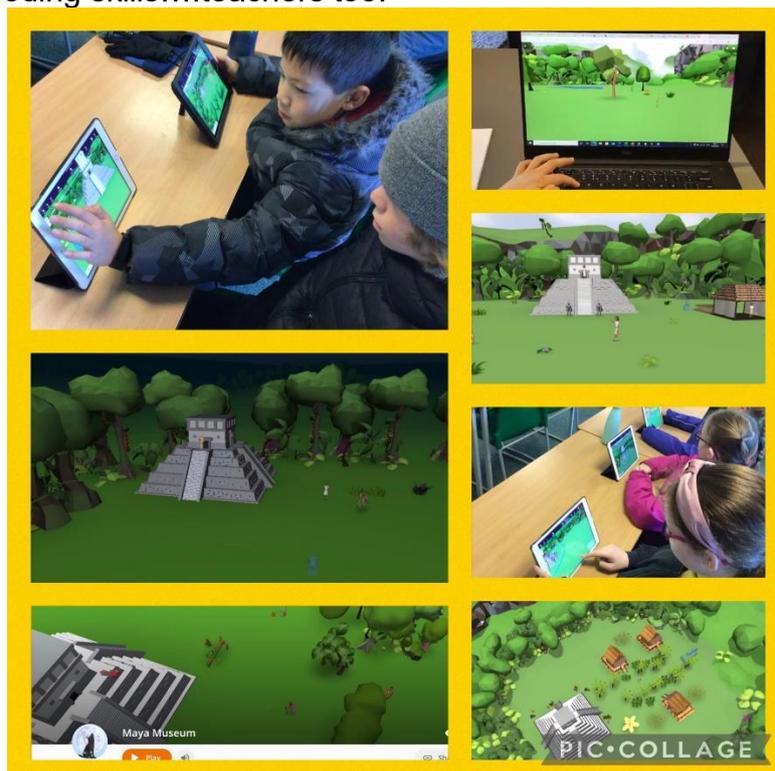
## Year 4 – Hi Impact Computing Session

Year 4 enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon with Phil from Hi-Impact, editing images from their virtual American 'road trip' and creating their own virtual photo story. There were some amazing items sent in from home too!



## Year 6 – Hi Impact Computing Session

Year 6 also took part in sessions with Hi Impact, in school and at home. They used an app called Co Spaces to create a virtual Mayan museum! We all enjoyed experimenting with the VR aspect and developing our coding skills....teachers too!



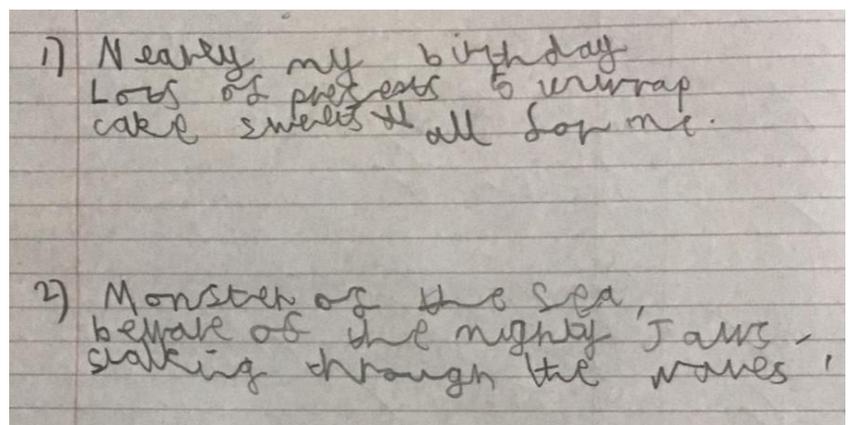
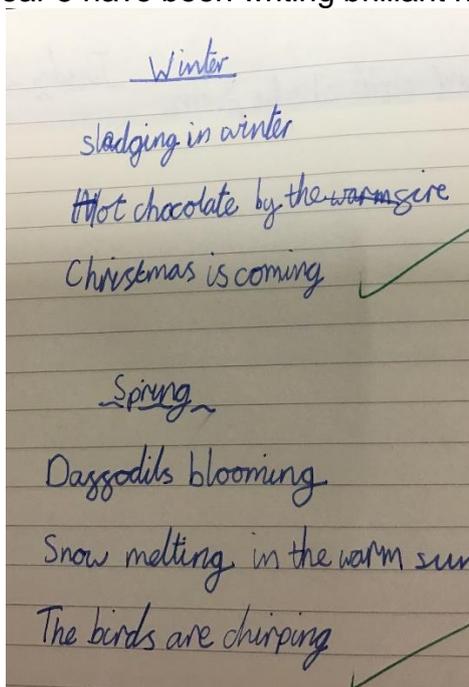
## Year 4 – American Art

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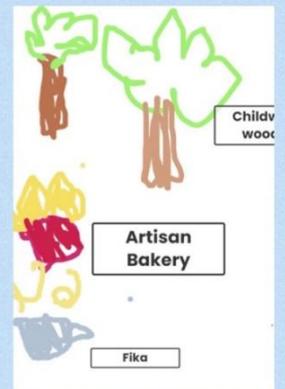
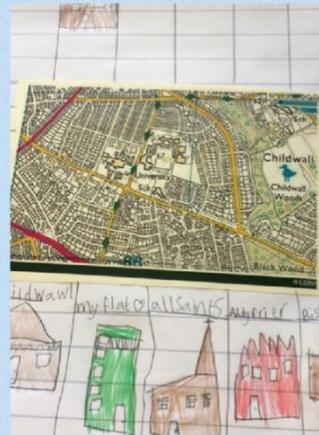
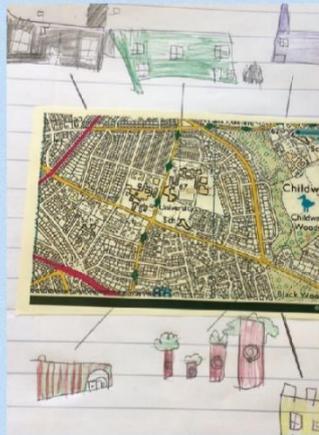
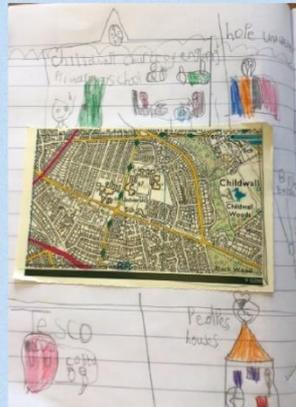
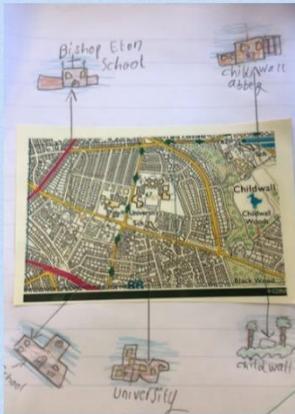


## Year 5 – Haikus

Year 5 have been writing brilliant haikus this week!



# Year 2 – Marvellous Map Skills!



In year 2 this week, we have started our new geography topic. We have been looking at our local area.

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## Wonderful Words!

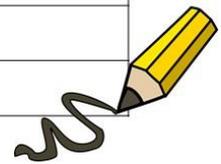
This week, the children in school and at home have been learning to use fantastic vocabulary across the curriculum. Can your child explain the meaning of their word to you?

EYFS subtraction	Year 1 fractions	Year 2 quarter past	Year 3 Ultraviolet light
	Year 4 betrayal	Year 5 adaptation	Year 6 Mesoamerica



## Word of the Week

curious (adjective)	
Someone who is curious wants to know more about something. <i>Steve was <b>curious</b> about the place I came from.</i>	
<b>Synonyms</b>	inquiring; inquisitive
<b>Antonyms</b>	incurious
Something that is curious is unusual and hard to explain. <i>There is a <b>curious</b> thing about her writing.</i>	
<b>Synonyms</b>	bizarre; unusual
<b>Antonyms</b>	ordinary



## Community Links:

### Food Bank

During this time of lockdown and blended learning, we will still keep our food box at the front gate at the beginning and end of the school day for any donations anyone feels able to contribute.

Many thanks for your continuing support as always. Should anyone find themselves in a position of need, please do let us know and we can hopefully signpost towards support.

### Prayer Group

Our Childwall school family prayer group are intending to keep meeting virtually at 2pm each Friday.

All welcome – please see Zoom link:

<https://hope.zoom.us/j/83684603865?pwd=eWkzZjdYaEoyM2JxNGxtaXE4RzEvQT09>

Meeting ID: 836 8460 3865

If anybody would like a prayer included but is unable to attend themselves, please e-mail the school office and we will ensure it is shared.

## Family Lent Activities

As part of our school Easter preparations, we will be making available to our families a daily Lent devotional. For each day, there is a short Bible reading as well as some fun activities and links to interesting websites; all aimed at families.

It has been produced by a group of children's workers who are part of the Holy Trinity Brompton network of churches; the church behind the Alpha courses.

You can find each week's materials on the "Our Church School" page of the school website.

**ASD Training Team Coffee Morning** – thank you to Tracey Williamson from the *ASD Training Team* and the parents who took part in our virtual coffee morning this week. Tracey shared information about the support the *ASD Training Team* offers and gave practical strategies on how to support children with ASD as well as giving parents the opportunity to talk about specific issues. The shared support and understanding between the members of the group was heartening to see.

In addition, the *ASD Training Team* are, again, providing a series of virtual drop-in advisory sessions via *Zoom* for parent/carers wishing to talk in a private, one to one setting about any questions or concerns that they may have about their child. The sessions run from 22<sup>nd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> March. Please see the 'ASD Training Team' section on the SEND page of the school's website for the list of dates. Or, if you would like to contact the *ASD Training Team* directly, their e-mail address is: [asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk)

## Advice from Alder Hey

This link provides guidance for parents about children returning to school  
<https://covid19.alderhey.nhs.uk/back-to-school-resources-for-parents-and-children/>

## Dates for the diary

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	All children return to school
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Childwall's World Book Day
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Non-uniform day for Comic Relief
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Break- up for Easter 1:30pm
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Return to school



And The Child Grew... Luke 2:40



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