

#### **Newsletter**

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a lovely Easter; at least the sun was shining.

School has been open and the children of our key workers have been enjoying the sunshine and taking part in outdoor learning. Like you we were all inspired this week by the story of Captain Tom Moore who has raised an amazing £17.5 Million and counting for our wonderful NHS by completing 100 laps around his garden before he reaches the grand old age of 100. There has been appeal to send Captain Tom birthday cards and our key worker children made some yesterday and we posted them off last night.

If you and your child would like to do this the address is:

**Captain Tom Moore** 

c/o Post Office Limited

**67 Bedford Road** 

**Marston Moretaine** 

#### **Bedfordshire MK43 0LA**







I have uploaded a new learning project called 'Animals'. I hope that you all enjoy it. Please send through any photographs of your child's work. Thank you to those parents who continue to do this.

Please remember that your child has only actually been absent from school for 2 weeks as 2 weeks have been the Easter holidays. (It probably feels a lot longer!) In terms of learning please do what you and your child are comfortable with. Reading is important but keeping and feeling safe in these difficult circumstances is the most important thing.

I have also put on the home learning page a useful 'social story' about Coronavirus if your child, like all of us is finding the situation difficult to understand.

If you do have any questions about learning, concerns about your child's/families wellbeing during the closure please do not hesitate to email me on <a href="head@holtsmereinfants.herts.sch.uk">head@holtsmereinfants.herts.sch.uk</a> we are happy to help.

Take care of yourselves. Stay home. Stay safe.

Mrs O'Connell

As so many of us are unable to see loved ones at this time I saw this lovely idea on Twitter which you may want to do with your children.

# **MAIL A HUG**

An easy way for kids to brighten the day of a friend of loved one that they don't see often!



Our lovely friend Sarah Kingham who has trained many of our staff and parents in the Readit2 programme as set up a Stories with Sarah Youtube channel and so far she has uploaded two stories, Amazing Grace and Spot's First walk. She is a very enthusiastic and animated storyteller. I hope that your children enjoy them.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6XMenlim0ng&t=19s

https://www.youtube.com/results?sp=mAEB&search\_query=stories+with+sarah+spots+first+walk

## Our home learning



Abubakar has been growing beans and keeping a diary of their progress



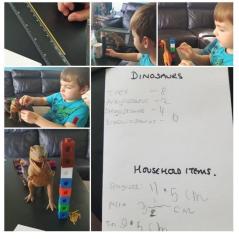


Declan Callum and his 'Three little pigs mask'





Rory's rainbow and beansprout which he started growing in Nursery





Joshua's home learning







Caden's home learning







LJ's home learning ■