



Newsletter

Friday 8th May 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are well and enjoying the Bank Holiday. I can't ever remember having a Bank Holiday on a Friday; it's such a shame that we can't celebrate it properly with our friends and family. Still, the sun is shining and hopefully on Sunday the Government will give us some more information about relaxing the lockdown and some indication when schools may return.

If you are celebrating VE day tomorrow, obviously in a socially distant way (!), it did strike me that although we are all struggling with our current situation it bears very little resemblance to what ordinary people like us had to endure during World War 2. Although it may not feel like it right now we are lucky to live in the world we do thanks to the sacrifices of those that have gone before us.

- For those of you that didn't see the message yesterday Collins books are providing online Phonics lessons each day for Reception and Year 1 children. They follow Letters and Sounds which we use in school and the videos are useful and of good quality.
- Next week's learning projects are themed around 'The rainforest'. We hope that you enjoy them. I have also added an additional Year 2 challenge which can be completed in conjunction with some of the KS1 activities. I hope that you find these useful.
- Mrs Geary has kindly entered us into the competition below. If you have a minute spare could you enter us as well. Fingers crossed that we win... £5,000 worth of books would be amazing! Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Enter the competition online, it only takes a minute:
<http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Thank you to for the kind donations of cake for the staff this week from Mrs Rawles and Mason's Grandma, very much enjoyed and appreciated. Delicious!



If you do have any questions about learning and/or concerns about your child's/families wellbeing during the closure please do not hesitate to email me on head@holtsmereininfants.herts.sch.uk we are happy to help.

Stay home. Stay safe.

Mrs O'Connell

This week's home learning

Tilly and her 'Under the Sea' themed activities



Oliver enjoying Phonics Play



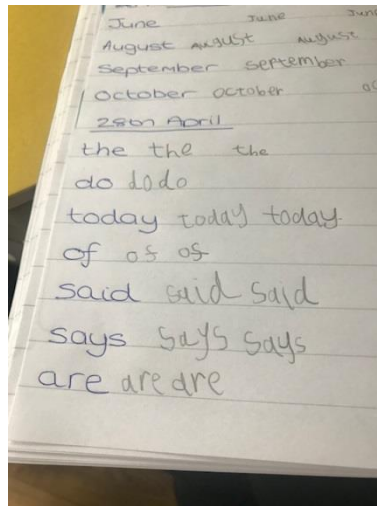
Alex has made a fantastic robot



On his daily walk Ivan has spotted our new banner



Caden has loved his new phonics books and practising his spellings!



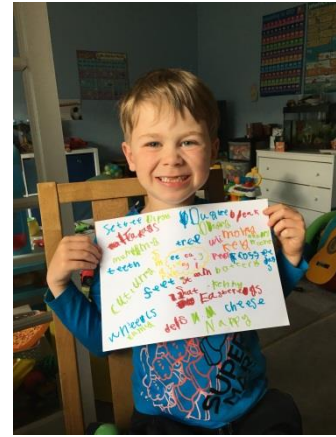
Harrison and Quinn have been making some delicious homemade pizzas as they are missing having Pizza Friday at school. Harrison has been taking part in a virtual camp record breaker!



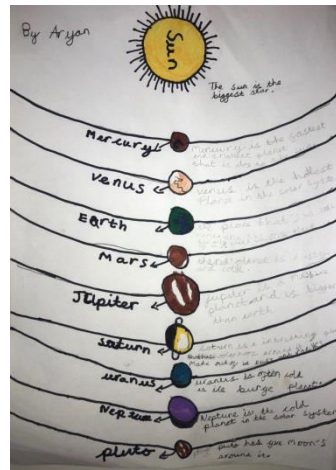
Polly made a fantastic Lego shark following the 'Under the Sea' theme



Sean taking part in some sea themed reading in his den. He also took part in a Zoom meeting with his Beavers group and has been practising the 'ee' sound in phonics.



Aryan's brilliant work on the Solar system



Lucy's beautiful artwork for VE Day

