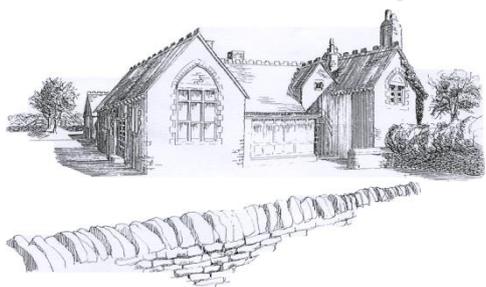


# Clanfield CE Primary School



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## A Message from the Headteacher

We end Week 2 of remote education this week. It is so important as a community that we take the time to reflect on the fact that through such difficult times, creativity and innovation have enabled us to provide daily remote live lesson with 90% daily attendance. This has enabled a level of continuity, connection and progression, which is essential as we are so aware how disrupted education has been for our children over the last year. Working together with your amazing support we can ensure our children have every opportunity to continue growing as learners.

Please can I remind you that parents do not need to sit in lessons. We will be unable to continue with live teaching if parents continue to ask questions in lessons or do the work for the child. Our children need to learn independence skills and they cannot do this with an adult by their side. Our teachers need to be left alone to teach in their 'own classroom' and are finding it difficult when they are interrupted.

Please can I also remind you that for Safeguarding reasons all lessons will be recorded.

I was inspired by a quote this week that reminded me: "trying our best might look different each day (and that is okay)." With this sentiment we welcome a new week that brings the opportunity to seek new celebrations, new challenges, and another set of home learning plans! Sometimes our days can be harder than others; yet our bodies and minds continue to be our chariot to carry us through. With most of us now working from home, schooling from home, exercising from home and relaxing from home, the space we live needs to be able to transform into a virtue of different settings. My home environment currently looks like a bomb has gone off and that is OK! It makes it easy for us to be harder on ourselves and compare each day, sometimes putting ourselves down and entering a lacklustre spiral.

It also makes it easier for us to lose some of our most precious time as our boundaries may become blurred between work; home; parent; teacher and colleague So, carry into the new week some positive affirmations for yourself and your family. Be kind with your words to yourself and to them. Thank you, Janet Hickman, for your words on Monday evening- they certainly helped me enter the week with more energy!

Remember: "trying our best might look different each day (and that is okay)."

Best regards,

Kim Rogers and the Clanfield Team

## DFE Support Schools

You can now request help to increase mobile data allowances for children and young people who:  
-do not have fixed broadband at home  
-cannot afford additional data for their devices  
-are experiencing disruption to their face-to-face education.

Or If increasing mobile data isn't a suitable option for some children, schools can also request 4G wireless routers. If you think either of these options would help you with remote learning please email and let us know.

## Bampton Charity Shop

Last week we were successful in our bid for £2k and would like to thank Bampton Charity Shop for the donation which has been used to buy 6 new Chromebooks. We have been directed to spend the money on IT for families who do not have access to a device for home learning.

We would also like to thank Mrs Harris's (ASC worker) husband Alex for his kind offer of a reconditioned laptop. All devices will be on their way to families by the end of the week.

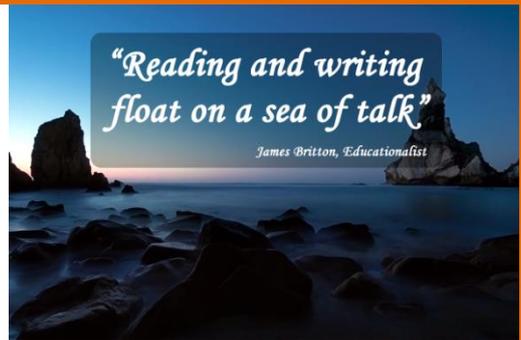
## Crafty Friday

Janet, next door, is putting out items so that you can hold your very own crafty Friday at home. Please do pop by to see what treasures can be found.

## Remote Learning

Our updated Remote Learning Policy is now on our website.

We can't do it all but what we can do as parents is talk.



The new street tag season arrived on 28th December please don't forget to sign up again. We are currently in 8th place on the leader board with 47,025.

With most of these points being generated by Gemma Dilworth with a total of 31,285!

Here is the QR code to use to sign up. I look forward to seeing all of you climbing and competing on the leadership board.

Many thanks for your continued participation. Miss Williams.



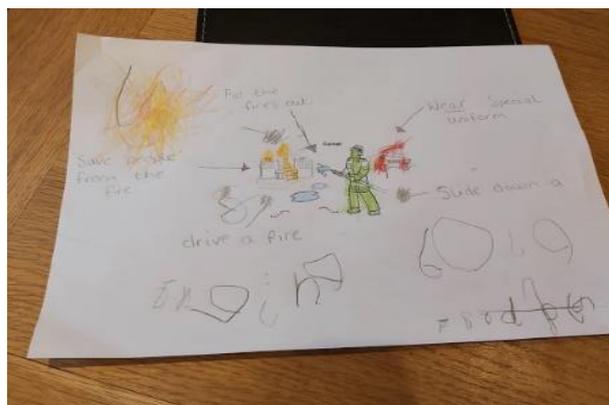
## Ruby Class

Hi everyone what a strange beginning to the new year. Thankfully my whole class have been on line every day working really hard which has brightened each and every day so far and I'm so lucky as I also have a large number of TA's (Thank you Mums and Dads!)

We have been learning about Firefighters as part of our topic "Real Life superheroes" and last week we made poster about firefighters here are few of them.



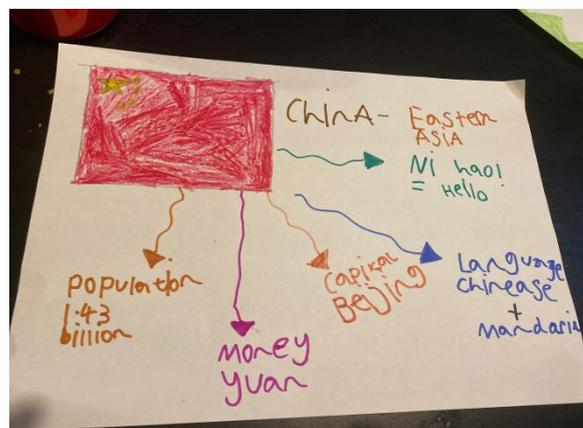
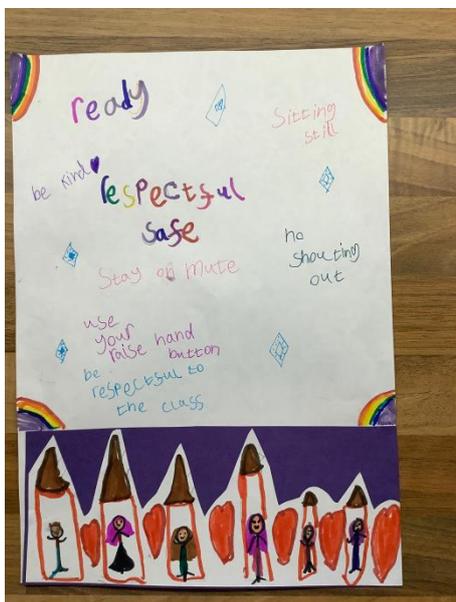
Miss Williams



## Diamond Class

It has been lovely to welcome back Diamond Class after the Christmas break. It is not how we expected to be working but I am very impressed with how the Class have adapted to the new way of learning. We have achieved a great deal already; we have created Mood Monsters, made a poster displaying the rules on Google Classroom, created a fact file about China, we have analysed our English book 'Masai and I', solved lots of Maths problems and the list goes on. Every day, the children amaze me with how independent they are becoming on Google Classroom. I am a very proud Teacher. Well done Diamond Class!

Miss Thomas



## Sapphire Class

Hello Sapphire

A huge happy new year to you all. You have made a super start to online learning and I am so impressed and proud of the work you are producing. Not only in online lessons but for your afternoon activities, it has also been wonderful to see these activities becoming a whole family affair and watching everyone getting involved. Mental health and wellbeing and science have brought some of my favourite things that I have seen from you so far so far. I have loved the photos and videos that have been sent and I cannot wait to see more as we continue to work on our projects over the coming weeks. Keep up the brilliant attitude to learning Sapphire, you have made me so proud.

Many thanks

Miss Davies

## Topaz Class

Topaz have started the term ready and raring to go. What a fabulous start! Our new class novel - Goldfish Boy - has provided us with lots of opportunities to investigate characters and vocabulary in different ways, from drawing maps to completing crosswords! In Maths, we have decided to take a short break from fractions and begin to work on area and perimeter; the children are whizzes and all budding architects! During our afternoon slots the children have been exploring and investigating religious dress, developing their understanding of online safety and even making their own music videos using body percussion. We have loved seeing all of the fabulous work come in and are thrilled and humbled by the effort, courage and compassion shown by the whole class. We are looking forward to what the next fortnight may bring!

Dr Wallis

### Dates for your diary

Red nose day	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Easter service	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Sports Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2021

### Celebrations/Awareness Days

February	E-Safety Week
March	World Book Day (dress up day) + International Women's Day
April	National Awareness day - Autism + National Earth Day
May	International Space Day
June	World Ocean's Day + Forces Day

