

### Weekly Newsletter Friday, 15th May 2020

### Message from the Headteacher

Thank you to those of you who have sent pictures and news for the school facebook page. Do keep these coming; it is good for us all to have this connection.

At the time of writing I am continuing to work with staff to risk assess the measures the Government is asking us to put in place after 1<sup>st</sup> June. Whilst the Government has sent out information since Tuesday, the Local Authority is still working on guidance; this is due to be with schools next week. You will appreciate there is a great deal of information to assimilate and changes to consider. Health and safety of pupils, staff and families is paramount. I will write to you all again next week when plans have been assessed by the School Governors and I have information to share with you.

In the meantime we continue to provide home learning for all classes and childcare for the children of key workers. Please continue to take care and look after yourselves. Helen Comfort

### **Message from the Class 3 Teacher**

Well done to all of you for completing so much lovely work. I have seen brilliant stories, pictures, writing and creative art. It is great to see you making the most of this difficult time. Keep in touch! Mrs Wallis.



Chloe W and her 95 cm sunflowers



Lucie's VE day celebration cake



Charlotte's clay cakes!

#### **Well Being**

Due to school closures, for a limited period of time Kent Educational Psychology Service are offering free consultations via video/phone call for 30 minutes, where parents/carers can talk to an educational psychologist. Topics or areas that you may wish to discuss could include: Anxiety around the current situation and its impact on your children and family; Supporting your children's emotional needs; Concerns about family relationships; Concerns about friendships, learning, daily structure and sleep routines; How you can best look after yourself to support your children; Preparing for the transition back to school. If you would like to make use of this service, please contact:

kepscommunitysupport@kent.gov.uk. When you e-mail, please give: your name; phone number; the time of day that would be most convenient to be called back (i.e. morning, afternoon, early evening); a brief description of what you wish to discuss. They will do their best to respond within two working days but this may be subject to availability.

#### **Useful Weblinks**

Generation Lockdown Writing Competition

https://generationlockdown.co.uk/

Have a go at this new writing competition for 7-17 year olds. It can be a personal experience, a poem, or a creative story. All of you will have had a unique experience that is only yours, and only you can capture in words. All entries will be read and judged by an author.

## The Week Ahead!

# Week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020

- On Time Table Rockstars, a new exciting battle has been set up for children in Classes 2 to 6. It is Teachers vs children! You have from 9am Monday until 3pm Friday to win the battle. Good luck!
- We look forward to seeing your book covers using items you can find at home. We know that they are going to be very imaginative and creative. Have fun with them!
- Remember to watch Story Assembly on Facebook each week, you will need to have watched all the
  episodes ready for some home learning activities next week.