Newsletter

Celebrating Achievement and Success For All

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As we reach the end of what has been the wettest week of lockdown so far, we continue to be impressed with the work that the children are completing and sharing with their teachers on line, either through email or Purple Mash. Thank you for all the support that you are giving to the children. We appreciate that it isn't always easy and so we are providing a mix of tasks so that there are some that can be accessed independently.

This week I wanted to share more achievements from our school community. Last week's Headteacher's Challenge was to capture 'The View Through a Window'. Daisy Pollard chose to write this poem, and I was so impressed I wanted to share it with you all.

The View From my Window
Out of my bedroom window I can see,
a very large horse chestnut tree.
As the seasons come and go,
there stands the tree,
swaying to and fro.
When Spring arrives and its leaves appear,
there are no more scary, shadowy shapes to fear.
Summer time, when the it's green and lush,
the blossom on it looks like a big useful brush.
Autumn comes and the conker's fall.
This is when I have a ball!
Picking them up every day, I'll have conkers till the end of May!
Winter arrives, the leaves have all gone,
I'll wait for the Spring, it won't be that long!
By Daisy Pollard

Home Learning isn't all about the activities that the teachers are setting; Humayra and Adyan Hussain have used the time that we have been closed to continue to learn Arabic and as a result are now getting increasingly fluent. Well done! Evie Hooper had her hair cut the weekend before lockdown and has donated it to the Princess Trust, along with £300 that she raised for the charity. Well done Evie.

The photos continue to come in for the Headteacher's Challenge, which are then shared through Facebook and Twitter. A heads up that for next week's challenge you will require a wooden spoon (it doesn't have to be new)!

Attached to this newsletter is a poster advertising an exciting story competition that is being organised by the English Department at Trinity School. We have been invited to enter stories or poems based upon the image on the poster. This would be a great opportunity for our many budding writers out there, or even for a family entry. I look forward to reading your entries later in the month.

Due to the ongoing challenges in accessing the Government system, we will continue to provide Food Hampers for any children entitled to Free School Meals next week. We have now made some progress with the system, and I hope to be able to share more good news with you by this time next week.

Last term I shared the exciting news that we are opening a Nursery next year. Plans for this are still underway, although due to the current situation it is likely to be opening in January 2021, rather than September. If you know of anyone who would like to place their child's name on the waiting list for additional information and registration, then they are able to do so through the office email.

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