



# Beenham Primary School Newsletter



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Jayden-Cato Allan-Bruce and Mrs Butcher

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**Our VALUE this month is**  
**Tolerance**

Dear parents

Like me and the rest of the nation, I guess you were watching TV at 7.00pm yesterday, listening to Boris Johnson's statement to the nation, in which he set out his three step conditional plan – his roadmap for reopening society.

No doubt, we will learn more today as he sets out some of the detail in parliament, but he has made it clear that he must be satisfied that the five tests are met as we look to move cautiously from lockdown to some easements.

He emphasised that each step along the way is contingent upon keeping the R number below 1 and taking a lead from what the science is telling us.

For the time being however, nothing has changed for schools.

The Local Authority has informed me this morning that they will continue to work on the matter behind the scenes. Once they have drawn together "A return to school" plan then this will be distributed to schools. We will obviously put this plan in place if schools return on 1<sup>st</sup> June.

I will update you when I receive further information.

Warm wishes

Sue

# Stars of the week



## Mai class

**Mollie Pemberton** – For amazing mini beast fact finding. Mollie is such an enthusiastic little girl and it was clear she loved doing the work set last week.

**Libby Hicks** – For always completing her work to a very high standard and for a brilliant weather report. Well done Libby!

## Torak class

**Luke Rossiter** - Luke produced some amazing music using a glockenspiel, following the beat of the tune.

**Tommy O'Hannelly** - Tommy has been working extremely hard on his handwriting and has produced beautifully formed letters.

## Mosi class

**Lexie Whitter:** Lexie has been keeping up with all of her learning and has been trying hard in everything that she has done. In the midst of learning from home she took some time out to independently write her own poem about these strange times and her creative writing skills are clear for everyone to see. She has an amazing talent and she works hard to develop it and challenges herself to work to the best of her ability. Well done Lexie.

**Warwick Mylum:** Warwick has consistently demonstrated high quality learning from home and has worked hard each day to stretch and challenge himself. This week he has worked hard to create his own version of a wartime poster and I was blown away with the effort that he put into it and the way he has kept his English book as a fantastic scrapbook of work during this time, putting in photographs and drawings. What a super idea. Well done Warwick.

# Mue Cinema Experience

By Sophia and Lara Moore

*We are all in the COVID-19 social isolation*, which means that we cannot go out to restaurants, shops or the cinema. People are thinking creatively about how to have fun. We thought it would be great to create a home cinema.

Last weekend we thought about what a cinema trip is usually like, and we made a plan. We decided to stream a family film that had recently come out - Sonic the Hedgehog.



The film show time was set for 7:00pm on Sunday evening, we had lots to do. Tickets to design, snacks to bake, uniforms to make, screening room to prepare, lighting layout to sort and film trailers to set up.



We each took responsibility for the tasks. First, we baked the cupcakes and gingerbread. Next, we created the tickets using PowerPoint. Mum gave the sitting room a declutter ready for the screening. To create the atmosphere of a cinema, we hung twinkly lights. By 6:55pm we had got everything sorted.



## Film Review

Sonic the Hedgehog is a PG Certificate. It is a great family film, and can be watched by all ages. The story is interesting; Sonic is able to move to many different places very quickly in just two steps. Our favourite character is Sonic, he's really adventurous and when things go wrong, he just picks himself up and carries on. The actors worked alongside the animation really well, it looked like they were with the characters in each scene. We would rate this film 4 out of 5.



## Chaos by Lexie Whitter

Today sometimes bad things don't feel wrong,  
It shows that today chaos does very well belong,  
But chaos can be in many forms,  
Like an argument of who was best born,  
Like you when you break a bone,  
Or when you find out that you are alone,  
When you take blame for something you have not done,  
But now true chaos has just begun,  
Like how ink spills down the paper,  
When the ink was spilled by its creator.  
All the noises whizz around my head,  
Even when I'm lying awake in bed,  
So many it could make me cry,  
Red, blue, green yellow, orange, black, white  
Even if I tried with all my might,  
I couldn't even try,  
To say everything that passes through my mind.  
Even though chaos doesn't seem kind,  
It's good to have a little chaos from time to time.

## Mai Class information

Good day everyone!

I hope you have all had a lovely weekend in the beautiful sunshine.  
I have really enjoyed watching your weather reports and I'm glad to see it has  
been so sunny recently.



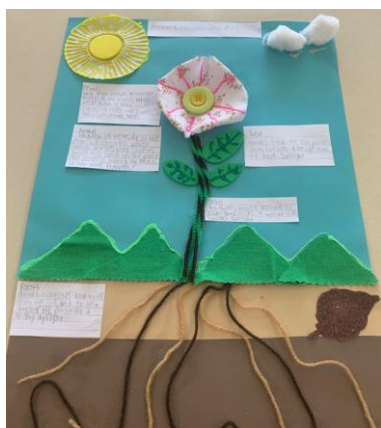
## Torak Class information

Well done everyone for another amazing week of learning!

In literacy, we have been learning about persuasive writing. Based on the book, 'The journey home', the children are working hard towards writing a persuasive letter to convince Mrs Cannings to adopt an animal from the book.

Through the WWF, Torak class will adopt either an orangutan, polar bear, panda, or an elephant. I have been extremely impressed with your persuasive language, 'There is no doubt that by protecting polar bears, you're helping to make sure the Arctic food chain stays healthy.'

In science, we have been observing our plants grow and learning about the different parts of plants and their functions. To show their learning, the children created some fantastic pictures of flowers using materials from around their homes and labelled the parts and functions.

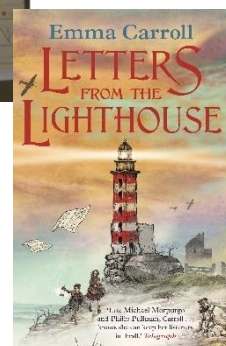
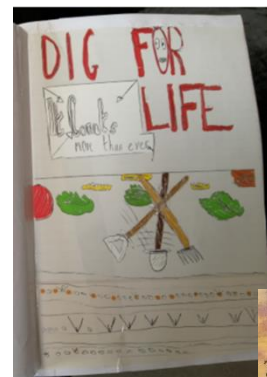
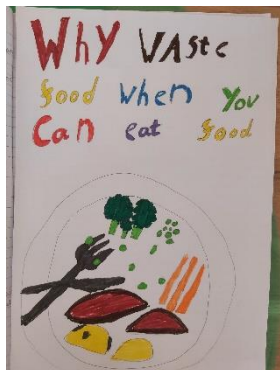


I'm looking forward to another great week of learning with you all.

Mrs Cannings

## Mosi Class information

Over the course of the last week, Mosi class have been creating their own wartime posters in their English lessons. They began by investigating wartime propaganda before creating their own campaign posters aimed at children during the war. Everyone put in such a lot of effort and the results were fantastic.



We began reading a new book together based in the time of World War 2. ***Letters from the Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll** is a fantastic story which brings World War 2 to life from the point of view of a child caught up in the war. The children wrote descriptive pieces of writing on The Blitz using evocative language and a range of literary devices. I was so impressed with the quality of the work. We are looking forward to continuing the book this week.

In our topic lessons the children have continued their World War 2 theme and learnt a little more about VE day. Some of the children then carried out various VE day themed challenges, with some children learning to sew on a button, others making bunting, creating war time recipes or testing out various paper aeroplanes. It was great to see such wonderful practical learning going on.



# Team points

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| <b>Red</b>    | 1538 |
| <b>Blue</b>   | 1439 |
| <b>Yellow</b> | 1735 |
| <b>Green</b>  | 1640 |

The team point calculations also include those sent to me by parents for chores completed at home.

Well done everyone!



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If you have an issue that you would like to discuss with any member of the school staff and you wish to make an appointment to see them, then please email them direct. We do encourage face to face contact whenever possible as we genuinely believe it is the best way to resolve any concern that you may have. Email addresses are as follows:

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/guardian/pupil