



# Beenham Primary School Newsletter



VALUES  
EDUCATION

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Happy Birthday

Felix Roe

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020

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



More wonderful artwork from Mosi Class can be seen on this week's photo page on the [school website](http://www.beenhamschool.co.uk).

The focus of their art learning was to take a look at some fantastic artist's impressions of our solar system/planets/space and then create their own piece of art.

## The VALUE of TOLERANCE

This month's VALUE is TOLERANCE . . . what an apt VALUE to focus on during these strange and challenging times!

All you lovely Mums and Dads are doing such a wonderful job of keeping your homes together, some of you are still working and you are also educating your children. Your children are restricted to your houses apart from your daily permitted exercise and necessary shopping and there you all are holding it together in the palm of your hand.

Take a moment to stand back and acknowledge how great you are!



Peace is the goal, tolerance is the method.

Tolerance is mutual respect through mutual understanding.

The seed of tolerance is love; its water is compassion and care.

Tolerance is also the ability to face difficult situations.

To tolerate life's inconveniences is to let go, be light, make others light and move on.

[Here is a link](#) to a poster that you may want to print off and put on your fridge. It will help to remind all of the children about the VALUE of TOLERANCE.

We have talked about it in school many times.

# Stars of the week

## Mai Class

**Michelle** – Working so hard all week especially in maths – making patterns.

**Robert** – For detailed drawings and wonderful writing. Robert has observed and recorded the growth of his sunflower beautifully.

## Torak Class

**Sasha White** – Sasha went above and beyond with her science learning this week. She drew a wonderful picture of her planted herb and described very clearly how to look after her plant.

**Jessica Reeve** – Jessica also showed her learning and understanding of how to look after her plant by describing in such detail how to make sure it grows and survives.

## Mai Class

**Daniel S** – Daniel has been trying ever so hard with his learning, especially his maths and has recently produced some excellent work on problem solving involving money. I can see that Daniel has put in lots of effort and as a result his understanding is developing beautifully. He has also tried lots of new skills this week and has produced some fantastic VE day bunting, weaving, an AMAZING model of the solar system and on top of that has seen his sunflower seeds flourishing. Well done Daniel for a fantastic week.

**Lara** – Lara has been working incredibly hard on her home learning each week and has been thorough in her work, ensuring that she keeps up a high standard of work. She has given 100% effort in everything that has been asked of her and has gone above and beyond to learn new skills, try new things and take on her own independent learning activities. She should be very proud of herself for the high quality of written work, beautiful artwork, active PE and all round excellent attitude to home learning.





# Photo Challenge Award

You may remember that back in week one of the lockdown, I set a photo challenge for you all.

## Photographic challenge

Look in your gardens and whilst you are out on your walks . . . how many signs of new life in nature can you see? Takes some beautiful photographs and send them to us.

We received many entries which can all be viewed on the front home page of the [school website](#).

Mr Cannings has judged the entries for us and here are the results.

First



Second



Third



First position is awarded to Tilly New.

The colour of the black Tadpoles coming through the water with the reed drawing you into the photo.

Second position is awarded to Adam Horbacz.

A well composed image with the sharpness and colour of the ladybird drawing you in.

Third position awarded to Jack Hazard.

The bluebells as the stunning image shows the pretty flowers blooming in the woodlands, creating calm.

Mr Cannings said:

“All of the photos entries were fantastic and everyone had used their imagination.”

## Mai Class information

Well done everyone for again working hard at home and doing such amazing work.

Over the past couple of weeks the Reception children have been learning all about patterns.

They have found patterns in the home and in nature and have worked in different ways to continue and create repeating patterns. The work they have produced has been of a very high quality and very beautiful.

Thank you for all the photos and messages I have received. I really appreciate the effort that you are all making to help your children at home.

Keep up the amazing work.



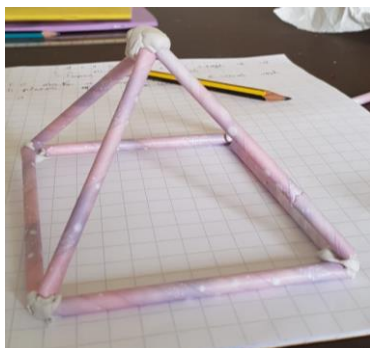
More “Patterns”  
learning can be  
viewed on the  
website [here](#).



## Torak Class information

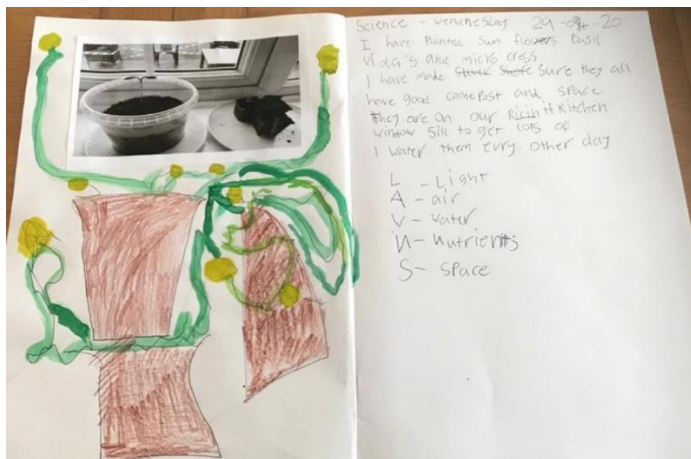
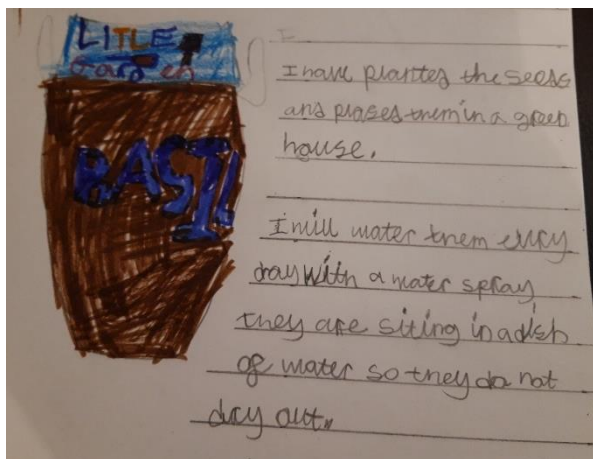
We have had another fantastic week in Torak class. You are all doing such an amazing job with your home learning!

In maths, the children used their knowledge of the properties of 3D shapes to make their own, using paper straws and bluetac.



In literacy, we continued with our book, 'The Journey Home'. We looked at using descriptive language when describing a setting. The children then added a range of subordinate conjunctions, composing some incredible sentences. 'The hopeful animals huddled closely together so that they could watch the scarlet sun set.'

We also planted our herbs as part of our science learning and learnt how to look after them, so they grow and survive.



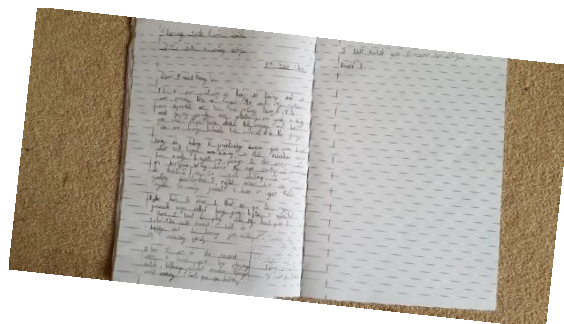
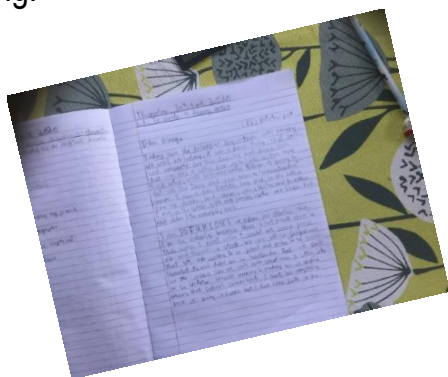
Well done children and parents!

Have a great weekend 😊  
Mrs Cannings

## Mosi Class information

This has been another great week in Mosi class.

Everyone has continued to work as hard as they can with their learning, and you should all be feeling pleased with yourself (parents included!). I have seen some wonderful Anne Frank style diary entries and am so proud of all of the effort that has gone into encompassing some of the deep feelings of wartime into your writing.



As part of our science work we are learning about space and the planets and in this week's art lesson the children were tasked with producing their own interpretation of the solar system. There were so many amazing pieces of art which will go onto the website for you to look at. We really do have a bunch of talented artists in Mosi Class.



Well done to everyone for such super efforts this week. You all deserve a thoroughly relaxing weekend.

Mrs Russell



# Can you help?

Adam and his mum sent me this email.

We have looked out the window as we have heard 'sth' like a scared cat noise and we saw a cat in fact playing with something long and wriggly.

We stepped outside to discover this creature. Could you help us identify the creature?





# Team points

<b>Red</b>	1349
<b>Blue</b>	1197
<b>Yellow</b>	1523
<b>Green</b>	1434

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

**Finally, thought for the week . . .**

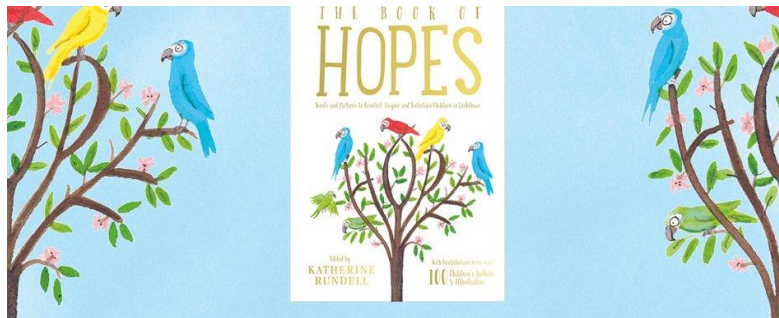
A friend of mine sent me this link this morning.

Please watch it, it is so motivational.  
You may want to reach for the box of tissues before you view.

<https://youtu.be/nvGYa3WLrs0>

**Mrs McEwen has sent this link through as there were some extracts from this in Saturday's Guardian.**

**It is a link to The Book of Hopes: Words and Pictures to Comfort, Inspire and Entertain Children in Lockdown.**



<https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/book-hopes/>

## **Kendrick School - Admission into Year 7 in September 2021**

**Virtual Open Event – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2020 at 5pm**

**Online application form available on our website from: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020**

**Deadline to apply: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020**

The Open Event for entry into Year 7 in September 2021 planned to take place on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020** was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, you are invited to attend a **remote Open Evening on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2020 at 5pm**. This will take the form of a Webinar hosted by Cisco and will include talks from the Headteacher and students, followed by presentations on the curriculum and the admission process. There will be an opportunity to ask questions (typed) during the event and if we are not able to answer the question at the time, a list of Q&As will be available on our website after the event. It will not last any longer than one hour. The event will be recorded so if you are unable to join live, you can catch up on it at a later date.

**To register for the event please click on this [link](#) or visit our website.**

It is likely you will need to download an app if you are using your mobile device or a browser plug in if you are using a laptop or PC. We recommend you follow the link to join the event when you receive the confirmation email so that you are prepared in advance. Please note that the event will not have started but will just ensure you the necessary software installed.

We will be happy to help you with any queries you have on this but please do bear with us as we are extremely busy at the moment.

**Admission to Year 7 in September 2021** is by entrance examination. The test consists of two papers assessing verbal, numerical and non-verbal ability. Familiarisation booklets are available on our website via this [link](#).

Testing will take place on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2020** at Kendrick School, and parents will be able to register their child online for the test from **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020** and no later than **midnight on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020**. Parents will receive notification of the test outcome prior to the deadline for completion of the Common Application Form.

Students who are eligible for the pupil premium or service premium or is a child in care, and living within the schools' designated area, will be prioritised for admission and the qualifying score will be lowered by 5 marks for these students. Kendrick School operate a designated area as part of our respective oversubscription criteria. The address which will be used for consideration for this purpose will be the applicant's permanent address at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020.

For further information on all of the above, please visit the school website [www.kendrick.reading.sch.uk](http://www.kendrick.reading.sch.uk) or email Ms Amanda Emberson [admissions@kendrick.reading.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@kendrick.reading.sch.uk).





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### **MAKING CONTACT WITH SCHOOL STAFF**

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:

School Office: [office@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:office@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk)

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Mrs Cannings: [lcannings@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:lcannings@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk)

Mrs Russell [erussell@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:erussell@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk)

Mrs Butcher: [headteacher@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk)

**Keep in touch with the school governors by visiting their website regularly. Follow the direct link below.**

**[Beenham School Governor website](#)**

### **NEWSLETTER COMMENTS**

If you would like to comment or respond to any of the items in this newsletter then please email [office@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:office@beenham.w-berks.sch.uk) or fill in the slip below.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/pupil comment:

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