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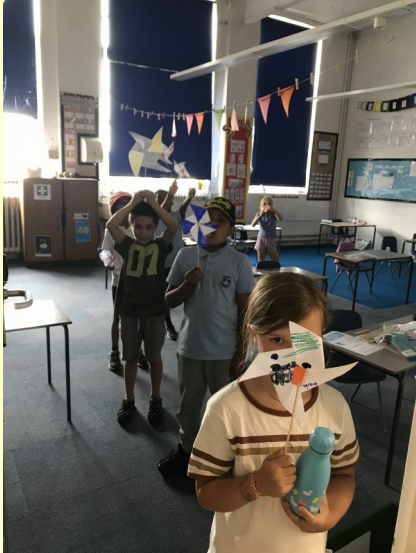
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Millfields Learning at Home and at School



Welcome back from half term everyone. I hope you all had some enjoyable family time and had a rest from school work! This week marked the beginning of summer term 2, so I hope you have managed to get back into the swing of home learning again.

Teachers and other staff were all working hard over the half term holiday trying to get ready for this half term's wider opening of school provision for some of you, as well as prepare and plan your home learning for the next 7 weeks. Teachers met together, obviously in a socially-distant way in school, for the first time since 20th March, on Monday, as we talked through guidance, policies, processes, routines and risk assessments in place for wider school opening. It was lovely to see the teaching staff group all together again after such a long time! Different groups of support staff met with me via Zoom over the course of the day, so that we were able to share all the same information, and

answer questions with the whole staff group.

What I am calling the 'new normal' in terms of school for this half term, has started well, with increased numbers of Key Worker children in 3 groups, with 2 adults in each group, leading the way and helping us to shape how the days will run smoothly in a safe and socially-distanced way going forward. Every day there is a new challenge, as we work through lining up in the morning - on the street and in the playground, moving around the school, washing hands at regular intervals, using specific designated toilets, staggered playtimes in designated areas of the playground, and staggered lunches in a hall that usually accommodates more than 100 children, now only seating 21! So far the children and staff have been amazing at adapting to this new way of working, so as we welcome more pupils back over the coming weeks, this trial week should make it a little easier, although when we are at capacity it is going to be a tough job!

Next week is 'Democracy Week' at Millfields, and although this definitely will not be like our normal in-school fantastic week (always one of my favourite times of the year), planning is in place to try to engage with the usual themes of pupil voice, democracy and equality. You will be hearing from our current Prime Minister, Rosa Jenkins, and teachers will be sharing work and activities based around democracy. Children will be learning that one of the central values of a democracy is free speech and freedom of expression, meaning that no one can tell you what you must think, believe or say. With recent tragic news around inequality, injustice and oppression, this is a particularly important value that we must reiterate with our children. Please take time to talk about this in the context of recent events as appropriate. Hopefully you will have seen the Black Lives Matter resources and YouTube video that Vicky sent earlier today, so please use these resources to support you and your child's conversations.

Finally, now that the weather has changed, please do keep to the government guidelines around social-distancing and rules about not visiting other people's houses. The most important thing to still remember is to regularly wash your hands.

Have a good weekend, and I look forward to seeing a few more of you in school over the next few weeks.

Take care, keep well, and stay safe,
Jane



Gardening Exercise Day

Saturday 6th June

Chocolate Ice Cream Day

Sunday 7th June

Best Friends Day

Monday 8th June

Donald Duck Day

Tuesday 9th June

Iced Tea Day

Wednesday 10th June

Yarn Bombing Day

Thursday 11th June

Superman Day

Friday 12th June



Online Museum Tours

30 Amazing Virtual Tours of Museums, Zoos, and Theme Parks to Watch now without leaving your sofa!

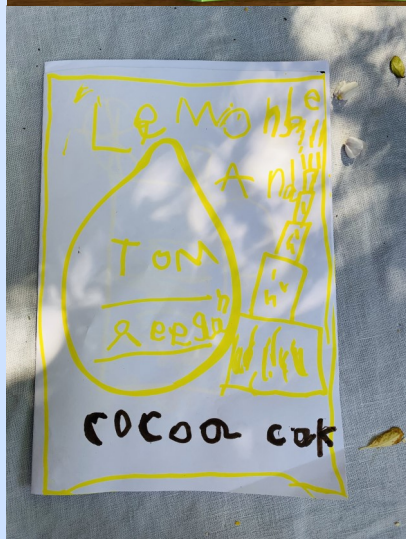
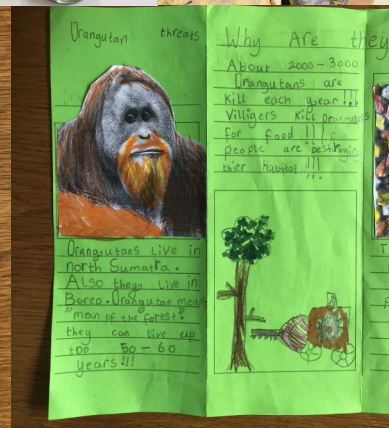
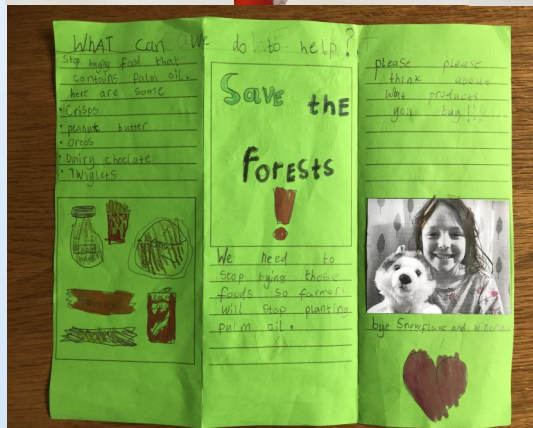
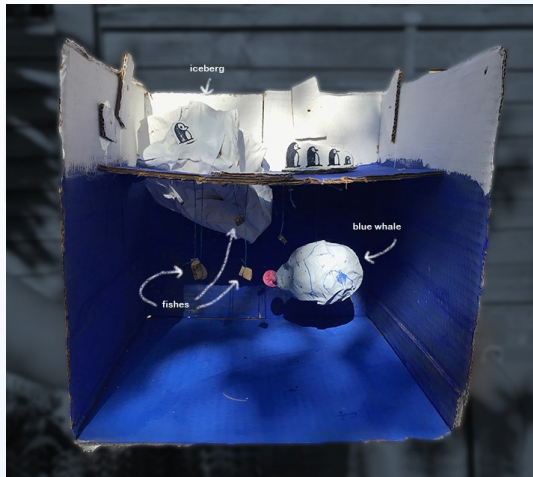
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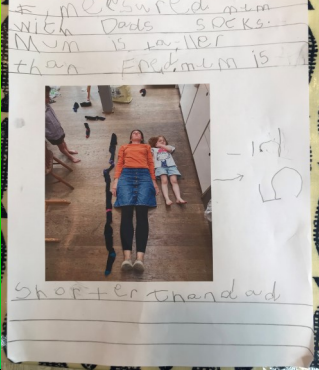
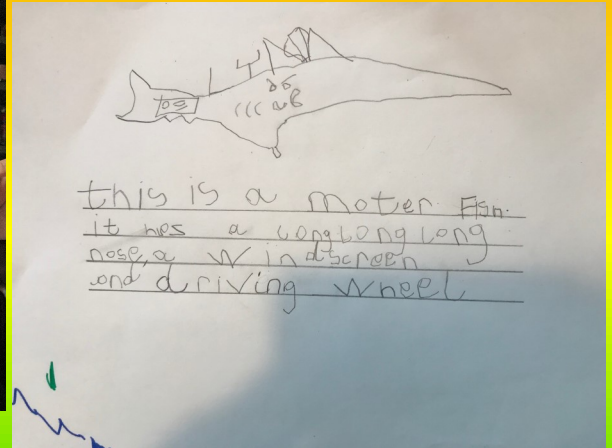


On this day in History...

Gretchen Carlson announces that the "Miss America" pageant will no longer include a swimsuit parade - 2018

Home Learning!

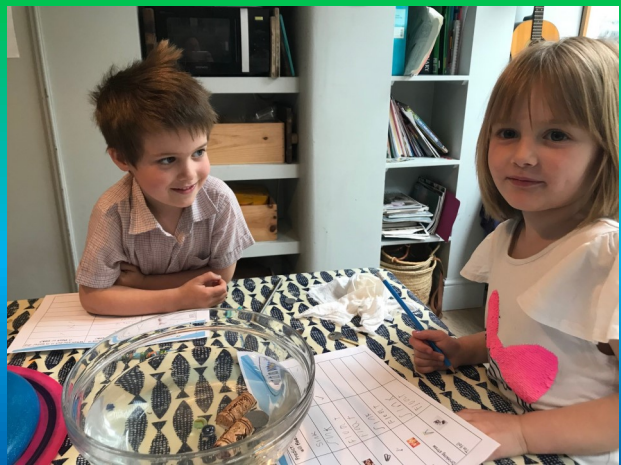




Happy Birthday to the children and staff who celebrated their birthdays this week and will do so over the half term break:

- 30th May ~ Ibrahim S & Jennifer P
- 31st May ~ Maira M & Isabelle O
- 1st June ~ Turell F & Jacqui H
- 2nd June ~ Ivaldino I, Sugra I & Amrit K
- 3rd June ~ Aubrey H & Joy S
- 4th June ~ Brandon B
- 5th June ~ Joziyah F, Summer-Lea J & Alice Q

Many happy returns to you all!



LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH	
June	Portuguese
Word to Learn: Hello	Olá