

Wheatfield Primary School

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This Week at Home

'A week', they say, 'is a long time in politics' – well that's never been truer in a school setting than the week just gone (and the one before that, truth be told)! I don't mean that the week's felt long because you've been at home teaching your children (although many of you may well feel that way), I mean it because everything that is normal and instinctive to us has been turned on its head, forced through a blender and then dried in the sun! The world has changed, our world has changed.

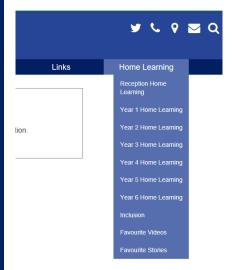
Some things, though, have not changed – some things have stubbornly refused to shrink, instead they have grown, magnified and multiplied – our spirit, our tenacity, our inventiveness and our sense of fun! All these things have been in abundance this week and, as headteacher, I have never been prouder of our staff, children, families and community.

I'm sure that not every week will feel as buoyant as this one, nor should we expect them too. What we have proved this week is the power of our collective efforts and positive mind-set. This strength will always be there – even during those periods where doubt, boredom or sadness creep in. For now, let's bask in the sunshine of the week that was, for there can be no doubt – this week, Wheatfield, you have excelled!

Phil Winterburn - Headteacher

Home Learning Pages

I'm sure that by now you're all familiar with the 'home learning' pages of our website. A triple round of applause to our staff for the stunning work in assembling this content as such short notice.



Keep checking in as we are adding new content all the time – there are also a couple of new pages to explore!

YouTube Channels

Sending video content was becoming rather data heavy and testing the storage capacity on some people's phones! We now have two dedicated YouTube Channels (which sounds like we're showing off) to share such content. Mr Winterburn will continue his daily talks and stories whilst the infant team will share their 'special guest' slots as well as other content. More channels may emerge in the weeks ahead!



Audio Books – read by our teachers

One of the most popular things this week are the audio books read by staff (why did we never think of that before?). As well as those on your own class pages there is now a 'favourite stories' page where, among other things, Mr Woodworth is reading 'Danny the Champion of the World'. Now that's bedtime covered too!



Class Reps

A special thank you to the class reps who have done an amazing job of connecting everyone and keeping the information flowing. ©



Normally we look back at our value of the week. During this period, we're going to look ahead to next week so that children and families can talk it through and try out the challenge.

School Values: Choose Respect - Take Responsibility - Show Resilience

Next week's theme is 'kindness in our home and community'.

Next week's challenge is to 'compete one act of kindness every day'.

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