



# New Chapter School

# Carpe Diem

## Seize the day

Over the past days, weeks and even months, we as a school community have had a great deal of communication with a number of our families, and one thing is for certain: we all share the same vision - in wanting the very best for our little people, we all share the same goals (that we are all trying our very hardest) and we all share the same experiences (home learning really isn't as easy as it sounds).

Sometimes, it may feel as though you are on your own and that you cannot imagine another day of home learning. Interestingly enough, I often feel this way about my own children's home learning. Well, to be honest, I always feel this way. When I am not in school teaching Year 6, I am at home responding to the work completed by our year 6 children and supporting the home learning of my own three children. To begin with I had the vision of a well ordered space at home in which my precious moppets could work collaboratively and I would be cool, calm and collected at the end of each day. After all, I teach a whole class of Year 6 children on a daily basis, so home learning with 3 should be relatively easy... or so I thought!

If only you could see what the reality of my vision is - I laugh even as I write this to you. There isn't a well ordered space in which to work, they don't exactly work collaboratively and I am certainly not cool, calm and collected at the end of each day. However, I keep telling myself that tomorrow is a new day and that I am doing my very best in a very difficult time. I would send photographs but I don't think my moppets would ever speak to me again if I did that!

I have learnt that what is important is that we all work hard, that my children access learning and try their best and that they know I love them and am proud of them. Ultimately, I want my children to come out of this current 'situation' as positive as they can.

Parents - you really are doing an amazing job. We are in this together and if we support one another, then tomorrow might just bring some sunshine.

Everyone's mental well being is important - whether you are a child or an adult and sometimes we need to remember that. It would be lovely if parents could send teachers photographs of the more practical things you are doing at home, such as cooking, dancing or anything else that you have been doing to keep your minds active.



So pull up a chair, put the kettle on - and give yourselves a break!



Mrs Trigg xx



## Year 5 Lockdown Challenge



The Year 5 Lockdown group faced a Photography Challenge in week 3. Using ipads and their observation skills, they went around school taking photographs of objects that looked like letters of the alphabet. Considering lighting, perspective and angles the group did a fabulous job.

We then used the letters we had made to make words, take a look at some of our efforts – as a class or as an individual.

Can you have a go at home? Miss Burroughs is happy to receive any efforts via the email address [class12@mket.org.uk](mailto:class12@mket.org.uk)

## Wonderful Websites

This website is an excellent resource. It has lots of interactive pictures on every topic imaginable! Why not have a look and see what you can find out!

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/>

## Class 7 WOW Work

Marcel has created some amazing work for his home learning.

Our topic in Year 3 is Ancient Egyptians and Marcel has created a very informative leaflet on the Ancient Egyptian food, facts about the River Nile and the pyramids.

Please keep sending in photographs of your children's work—it is lovely to see just how hard they are working!

Please email me any WOW work: [class7@mket.org.uk](mailto:class7@mket.org.uk)

Thank you

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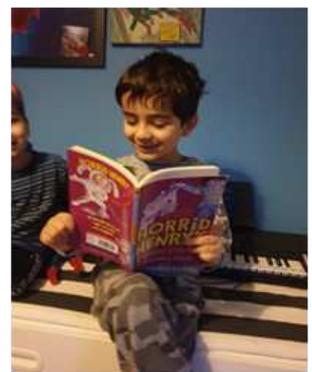
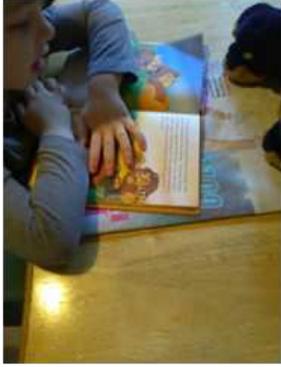
## Some more fantastic work from KS1

KS1 have been doing a fantastic job with home learning again this week. Isabel has not only completed all her assigned home learning work but has done an extra curriculum project with her Nanny, creating a solar system piece of art. We have had some impressive maths work too. Ava has been using sweets to help her with her addition and subtraction while Kyah used Connect 4 counters that look just like the counters on the sheet! Eyla sent a video of her reading her letter to bears for English which made all of the grown ups smile a lot.



## KS1 Get Caught Reading!

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, our reading activity was to get caught reading! We had lots of lovely photos sent in via email and Teams of the children enjoying reading their books at home. We even had one child upload a video of themselves reading a story on Teams! Some of the KS1 staff members also got caught reading, too! See if you can spot who they are!





## Snow Fun from EYFS



A bit of snow is just what the Early Years children needed.

Through experiencing the snow they were developing their inquisitive and scientific mind. Having spoken to many children this week, they were all very resourceful as to how they decorated their snow people and snow castles. They seem to have been incredibly tactical in how they planned their snow-ball fight attack! Here are just a few of the amazing things they created.

Sorry we couldn't share them all.

