



7th May 2020

Value of the Month

Perseverance



Message from Mrs Williams

We hope that you are safe and well. Please rest assured that each and every one of you are in our thoughts at this time. We have been placed in a very difficult situation as we do not know how long pupils will be away from school, what access children have to internet, printers, resources and adult support with home learning. We do not want to set work that requires too much teaching input as we do not want to overburden families at what is already a difficult time. Your child and families wellbeing is also extremely important.

We also appreciate, and understand from personal experience, that access to technology can be limited, especially with several members of the household needing access at the same time. I have daily disagreements with my two girls who will have the laptop first! The activities are there to keep the children's minds active and ticking over with knowledge that they would have been receiving in school. Hopefully the planning is also providing some structure and routine for the day. We will endeavour to close gaps in learning once the children are back in school. Do what you can and don't worry about what you can't!

It has been really pleasing to see so much fantastic learning taking place at home. We have seen a wide range of creative approaches to learning and we are delighted that so many of you have shared your work via Purple Maths and by emails. We took the decision at the start of the shutdown to send work out in a staggered approach so that we don't overwhelm families at what is an incredibly stressful time; this is why we send out new learning on a weekly basis. We know that for many of you this will be a challenge and a source of great stress and so if your child gets stuck on an area of learning try not to worry too much. When we get back to school we work relentlessly to cover these areas.

There is guidance and support from the government: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-primary-school-children-continue-their-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19>

To try to strengthen our communication with the children, all teachers are planning to phone you/your child over the next week to see how you are. Many children have already spoken to their teacher and this has cheered up both children and staff. Children do not have to speak to the teacher if they do not wish to, but we just want to check you are all ok. Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our school staff who have gone above and beyond over this period of shutdown and are working many hours to help develop new methods of learning for our children to use, as well as teaching the children of our critical workers. Please rest assured that everyone in our school is constantly striving to help support each and every family.

Although, we are waiting for announcements regarding the ease of the lockdown and what that may be, at Fairway the Senior Leadership Team in conjunction with the University Multi Academy Trust are starting to consider actions to ensure the safe return of our pupils, when the time is right. We will keep you updated as much as possible.



Mrs Williams has read you a story. To listen go to

<https://vimeo.com/415510467>

She hopes you enjoy it, I did. Keep calm and keep reading

Fairway Fox





Class Email Reminder

year1@fairwayprimary.co.uk
year2@fairwayprimary.co.uk
year3@fairwayprimary.co.uk
year4@fairwayprimary.co.uk
year5@fairwayprimary.co.uk
year6@fairwayprimary.co.uk
reception@fairwayprimary.co.uk

Safe and Well Checks

Over the next week or two your child's class teacher will be telephoning to check how home learning is getting on and any way we can help. The calls may be from their home, so if you receive a call from an 'unknown caller/withheld number' it is likely to be your child's class teacher, so please take the call.

Twitter is back...

Thank you to those parents that have retweeted. It has been lovely to hear from you. Keep on tweeting.



Are you have a social distancing street party? How will you celebrate VE Day? Please send your VE celebrations pictures to your class emails.

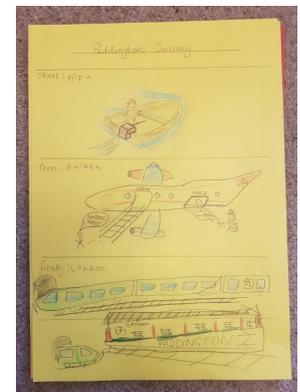
Stars of the Week

Look out on twitter every Friday for Stars of the Week, nominated by class teachers.



Fairway Fox would like to say well done to...

Ewan for working hard and persevering. Thank you for sending so many examples!



Year 1, for cheery clip to staff and a clear message in the music 'You've Got a Friend in me.'



LITTLE MISS NEAT

By Roger Hargreaves



Year 4 for a wonderful retelling of Little Miss Neat or should we say Little Miss Hartford!

...our top 5 TTSRockstars Champs

1. Lucy -Yr4
2. Amber S- Yr3
3. Karim - Yr4
4. Yasmin -Yr4
5. Levi-Yr5



For further great work, please go onto our Twitter page using the Twitter icon at the top left hand corner of the homepage on our website



Food Banks

Please find below useful information regarding food banks:

Food Cycle on 07514131667 or 07514131666. They will deliver food parcels FREE and to parents doors. one box per family per week.

Salma Food Bank, who are delivering food to the most vulnerable families and people over the age of 65. Please speak to a member of staff who can make a referral on your behalf.



ACTION CALENDAR: MEANINGFUL MAY 2020

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY

"Start Where You Are. Use What You Have."
Do What You Can" ~ Arthur Ashe

4 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do	5 Send friends a photo of a time you all enjoyed together	6 Take a step towards one of your life goals, however small	7 Let someone you love know how much they mean to you	1 Take a minute to remember what really matters to you and why	2 Do something meaningful for someone you really care about	3 Reconnect with nature today, even if you're stuck indoors
11 What are your most important values? Use them today	12 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times	13 Today do something to care for the natural world	14 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better	8 Set yourself a kindness mission. Give your time to help others	9 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today	10 Tell someone about why your favourite music means a lot to you
18 Hand-write a note to someone you love and send them a photo of it	19 Find a way to craft what you are doing to give it more meaning	20 Reflect on what makes you feel really valued and appreciated	21 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable	15 Find out about the values and traditions of another culture	16 Look around you and notice five things you find meaningful	17 Take a positive action to help in your local community
25 Give your time to help a project or charity you care about	26 Recall three things you've done that you are really proud of	27 Today link your decisions and choices to your purpose in life	28 Tell someone about an event in your life that was really meaningful	22 Ask a loved one or colleague what matters most to them and why	23 Share an inspiring quote with others to give them a boost	24 Do something special today and revisit it in your memory tonight
				29 Think about how your actions make a difference for others	30 Find three good reasons to be hopeful about the future	31 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

www.actionforhappiness.org

31 actions to look after ourselves and each other as we face this global crisis together Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

Well-being charity, Action for Happiness have published their Meaningful May calendar full of ideas and top tips to help us respond to the global crisis with a sense of purpose and meaning. To download click <https://www.actionforhappiness.org/meaningful-may>

NSPCC Helpline

The NSPCC has expanded its service and can be used if you have concerns about safety and wellbeing of children. It can be reached 24 hours a day by email - help@nspcc.org.uk - or through its online reporting form. Its team of experts can also be called Monday to Friday 8am-10pm or 9am-6pm at the weekends on 0800 800 5000.

[The NSPCC has also made new resources available at this link.](#)

