

# **\*\*Ashton First School News\*\***



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

This week we opened the school to children in Early Years, Reception and Year 1 along with our Key Workers. The school does look very different with desks moved apart, lines in the corridor and the playground divided into zones but all of the children who have come back are happy and working well within their bubbles. Thank you to those parents involved who have made it so easy for us by preparing the children and working with us on our new rules and staggered pick ups and drop offs.

It has also been great to see what those of you at home have been up to, please keep sending in your pictures and work to your teachers, although they are teaching in school during the day they will make time to reply to you all.

Today we are sending out reports to all of you. Please can you respond to your class email to say that you have received them. If you haven't received the email please let us know, similarly if you would like a paper copy we can arrange to print one for you.

Below you can see our work in our bubbles, Early Years are now separate from Reception and Year 1 are working in Hawthorn Class. The rest have Mrs Thompson, Mrs Thornton and Mrs Tulley, now known collectively as the "MrsT's "

## Early Years



The 'Pre-School Bubble' children have had a wonderful time playing with bubbles. We have also been on an imaginary trip to the seaside, enjoyed playing outside in our outdoor area, visited the orchard, learnt all about snails and welcomed Albert to the group. Great fun has been had by all!

## Reception Bubble



It has been a delight to see most of our reception children back among their friends. We have spent every morning learning at forest school and have enjoyed a week of snail themed activities – including making some new slimy friends!



The snail theme has also been followed by some of our children who are learning at home.



### Pirate Bubble

Ahoy there my hearties! In the Hawthorn classroom we have started our new topic – pirates! The children were greeted on Monday by Captain Miller and First Mate Morgan and then Captain Emond and First Mate Cooke carried on from Thursday. The children have settled in well and we have been making our own pirate display, measuring our pirates and making our own treasure maps! Both children and staff have enjoyed being together again.



### Hawthorn

Our children at home have continued to send some beautiful photographs of what they have been up to too! Here are just a few.



## Mrs T Bubble

This week we have been making the most of our beautiful surroundings and have been on a daily walk. Today we followed the public footpath to Grafton with Mrs Tulley as our local tour guide. We learnt about the black pear tree which we could link to our school logo. We have also started our Chocolate topic and have been learning about the Mayans and Aztecs' beliefs about cocoa.



## In other news ...



Maja's family have set themselves a challenge to cycle 700km in 7 weeks for the Duchenne Dash at home event to support people who have Duchenne Musclar Dystrophy as this is a cause close to their heart. Their cousin Vincent was diagnosed with this two years ago and they are raising money to help research into this cruel disease. If you would like to donate or find out more about this, please follow the link below.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-portal/fundraiserPage?pagelId=1170856>

Mrs Thornton would like to say well done to those of you who have posted your marathon kids entries onto the website. For those of you still keeping up with your running and walking at home, don't forget to make a note of the distance you have achieved.



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