



# The Mill Messenger



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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Here's our weekly round up for you. Enjoy your weekends!

## **The Mill Cookery Book**

Some of you may have already spotted links to this in your classrooms this week but Mrs Altamirano-Smith in Y4 has been busy setting this up for our school community. Here's what she has to say: This week we launched The Mill Community Cookbook. This is a whole school project to bring us all together and celebrate our cultures through sharing our favourite family recipes. Please support and encourage your child to upload their favourite family recipe through their Google Classroom and we will put them all together into one community cookbook.

<https://www.themill-tkat.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/The-Mill-Community-Cookbook.pdf>

## **Live PE with Mr Eagle and Mr Tyres**

We are so glad you got involved and joined the live PE sessions this week. The feedback has been brilliant! There is one particular little person belonging to Miss Plant who really thought Mr Eagle did a great job...



## **Easter Team Foodbank**

Mrs Walsh and some of the staff team made food bank donations via St Margaret's church this week. If there are any local causes you think the school could support, in however small a way, please let us know.

## **Screen free time**

In response to last week's questionnaire, the overwhelming majority of you wanted us to allocate screen free time each week. Starting next week, we have kept it at the same time for all, on a Friday afternoon, hoping that this helps you spend some family time doing other things that you enjoy together.

## **Celebrating the learning in school and at home**

In addition to our year group Forever Proud hangouts and our special one on Fridays for the children in school, instead of giving you a run down of our online learning this week, I asked the teaching teams if they wanted to mention any highlights and particular children who have gone 'above and beyond', especially shining a spotlight on our children in school. But there are some 'at home' stars too! Here they are:

### **EYFS**

This week a dinosaur was photographed in the outside area, and we received a visit from a real Dinosaur Explorer. This has inspired lots of wonderful writing about what we could pack in our bags if we were to catch a T-Rex! All of the children have loved roaming the outside area looking for clues that the dinosaur has left. Charlie, Spencer, Ethan and Nick were very observant and spotted some scratches!

### **Year 1**

Graham for working really hard and challenging himself with his online learning.

Daliah and Emily P for overcoming their fears and speaking on live lessons. Well done girls, it takes a lot of bravery to participate online!

Lucy, Noah, Emily C and Lily for sending in amazing stories that they read for us and could play for their friends in school.

### Year 2

In school: Abdullah for always doing his best in all subjects.

At home: Maddison G for being super brave and joining a Y4 hangout for writing!

### Year 3

In school: Adrianna sharing about different food for our Mill cookbook from Lithuania.

At home: Emelia B for her FANTASTIC pointillism artwork, it was a beautiful rose in a heart.

### Year 4

Joseph for being a science whizz and an expert on matter.

Asmaa: We are super impressed with her handwriting this week. She has been trying really hard!

James for being full of enthusiasm in maths and supporting others with their maths.

The completion of some wonderful papier mache bowls including those from Thomas and Punnapat who won Forever Proud awards.

### Year 5

Andrei for always being so kind and helpful towards others.

Sienna for her brilliant writing this week!

Robin for writing kind messages to teachers and other children on our kindness jamboard.

### Year 6

Sam's focused attitude and new-found artistic talents.

Aisha's writing has been brilliant this week.

Oscar challenging Mr Noble to numerous TTRockstars competitions - a new competitive Oscar has emerged!

### **Room 13 - From Janey**

This week in Room 13, we had eight Year 6 pupils who joined me for further work on our Bandage Me Better project. We started to get our decorated bandages exhibition ready by piecing them together and hanging them in the studio - please see the picture. I think they will look amazing hanging in a public space such as Crawley Library once the pandemic allows. I am particularly tickled by Bennett's response to how he is managing through lockdown: 'to be honest the best thing is eating'.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Kind regards,



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