

# SMA REMOTE NEWS



## WHAT IS IN THE PIPELINE?



- ◆ All of the teachers and teaching assistants will be writing a **short weekly letter for their class**, to make them smile and to keep them positive. Please, in these extra ordinary times, take time to look at the letters with your children, and to let them read them out too.
- ◆ Mrs Ward and several other staff are working on the **new updated website**, which we plan to launch really soon.
- ◆ Mr Marsh and others have sorted **a closed twitter account**, which you will all be able to access very soon.
- ◆ Mrs Smith and Mrs Hayes are working on an **interactive quiz**, which we plan to send out next week. It will be an opportunity for children to keep the season of Easter uppermost in their minds, whilst still having fun. There is a leader board and you can take part multiple times.
- ◆ We have a **photo page to attach each week**— please have a look with your children. It makes them feel that there are others doing what they are doing; it keeps them in touch with the school community. Please keep them coming.
- ◆ **Pictures of shattered Mums and Dads** would keep spirits lifted too if you are brave enough???

## AND FINALLY...

**We pray for all of our NHS workers, at whatever level.  
We thank them for their resilience,  
and we remember them  
in our prayers tonight.  
Keep them safe, keep them strong,  
saving lives and making the world safe,  
once more.**

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Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another



**Tonight at 8pm, we are being asked to give big applause for all of our NHS workers, from our windows, doors and gardens. Let the children join you in being a team player.**



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## WELL DONE STAFF



### Home learning in action!

Staff, unanimously, have started as they mean to go on. There have been huge efforts, behind the scenes, to plan and prepare differently, from the point of view of a non specialist. Staff have put themselves in your shoes, parents, and imagined what would be best to assist you. They have troubleshot from behind, re adjusted, collaborated and generally been a huge support to ensure that learning continues.

And some children are beginning to send us the piece that they are most proud of. Here are some great examples!

We really would like some more that we can share with you, next week, via postbox. Thanks in anticipation. They help all of us to smile and feel together, despite the circumstances.

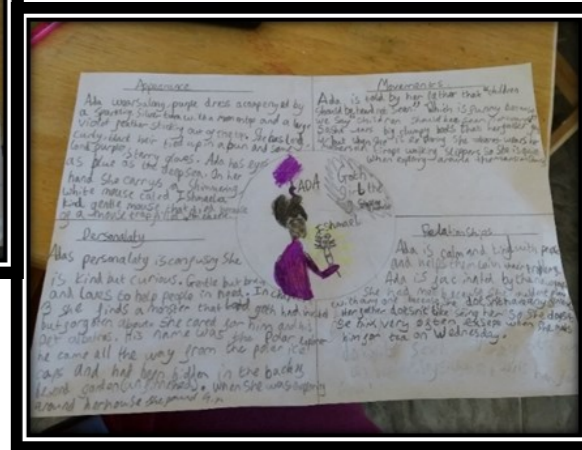
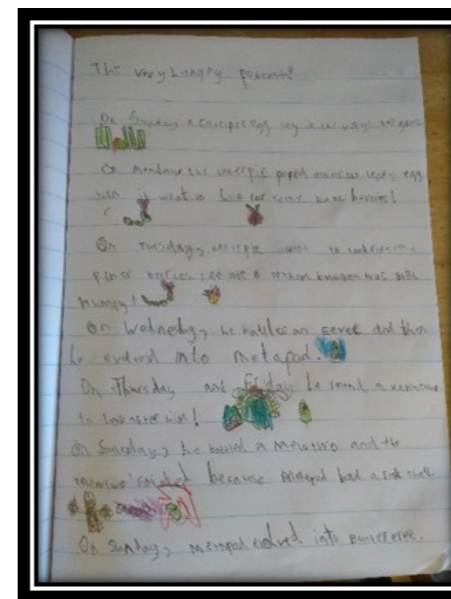
## WELL DONE PARENTS

I am sure you have all watched the varying video links, parodying parents' reactions to Home Learning. They have kept us teachers really amused, and I am sure you have felt some link with the frustrations.

[Click on the attachments for more photos](#)

Seriously, Mums and Dads, well done. Staff have worked hard to prepare the learning and in almost all cases, you have been delivering it effectively. Great links with each other, and great determination has really been evident. That's Wk 1 done! Now we have a few more to manage, but at least we have the system sorted. Laptops, computers, ipads at the ready!

It has also been great to see additional learning going on: cake baking from Jaya, painting "stay safe" rainbows from Caitlin and Kian; painting on canvas from The Harris lads; looking after pets from Taylor and the huge number of you who have turned on, each morning, to Joe Wicks Keep fit programme.—again really well done.



## KEEPING PRAYER CURRENT



### KS2 (Y3-Y6)

Please feel able to use the following link for your KS2 children, daily, to have some quiet time for reflective prayer and thoughts. It is literally 3 minutes long.

Take a look:

<https://www.loyolapress.com/retreats/in-remembrance-of-me-start-retreat> (Use the arrow at the bottom when you are ready, to change pages). It's really calming and many will be familiar with it anyway.

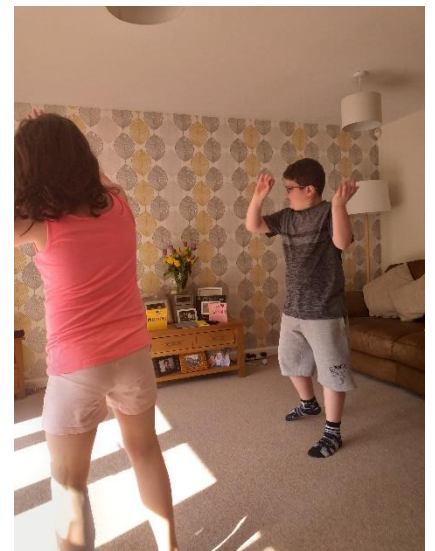
KS1 and Early Years ( Nurs, Rec, Y1 and Y2)  
Please have a look at this link— it is really short but helps give a starting point, for those who may be unsure. (there are a couple of other good ones on the right hand side of the link also— just check them out first.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lihBCI\\_A4x4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lihBCI_A4x4)

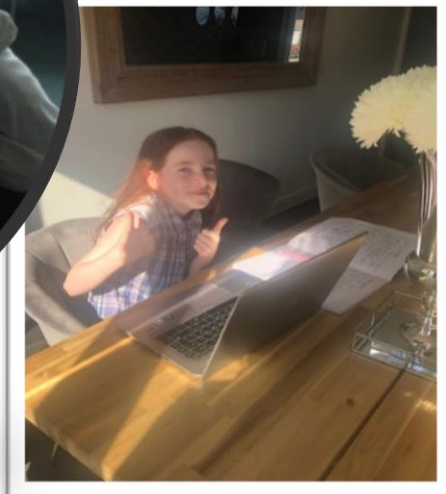
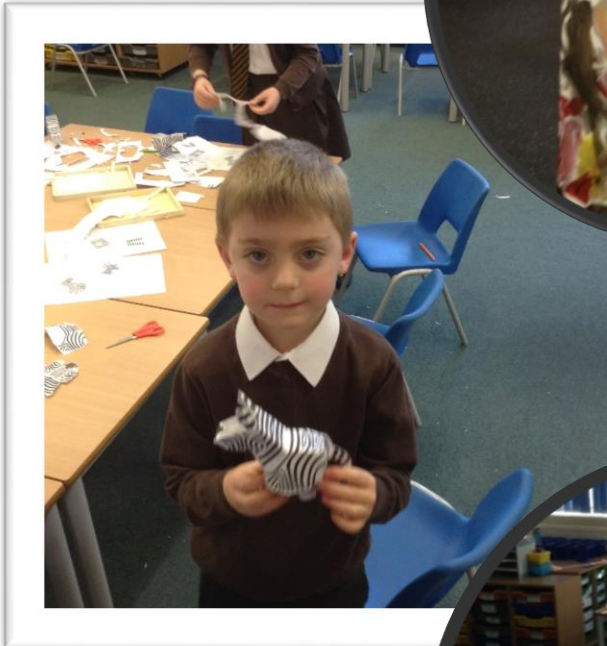
Your children are really good at prayer. At the moment, they really need time to feel normal and to feel that God is with them in their home. I know that you will help them.

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Some pictures to make you smile



And some more too...



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