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Newsletter

28th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are now approaching the end of January and there seems to be some marginal gains to the amount of daylight. This is a sign that things are beginning to change and we are moving slowly towards spring. It is also a sign of hope and new life, something we all particularly need to cling onto at present.

Following yesterday's announcement by the government, it seems that remote learning is set to continue for a few more weeks. You all have been working so hard with home learning and we recognise that families are, at this point, feeling the stresses and strains of the ongoing situation. Our well-being day tomorrow is part of an attempt to help address this and we hope that you enjoy some of the suggested activities. The mental health of all our school community is of utmost importance.

I received some lovely emails in response to the ISS reminders I sent. I hope that this has sparked an interest that will continue. I have added a link in the Classrooms to a YouTube clip of life on the International Space Station, which I am sure you will all find fascinating.

Thanks also for the entries to our weekly challenge. Photos below.

Have a lovely weekend, look after yourselves and each other.

Mr Whitehead
Headteacher

Wellbeing Day

We are sending this Newsletter out earlier than usual because tomorrow is our well being day. We hope this gives parents, carers and children a time to reflect and spend some time thinking about their mental health. It is also a chance to reflect on where we are at and what we have achieved in such difficult circumstances. The engagement in home learning and the efforts you have all gone to is amazing. We have appreciated every kind comment received and in return we want to say thank you and well done to you!



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Positive Covid Test

If you receive a positive Covid test out of school hours please email the Headteacher ASAP.

headteacher@kildwickce.uk

Thanks

Whole School Meeting



Tomorrow we will meet as a school at 9.15am. (The password is livekildwick access via the 9 dots in the usual way) This will replace individual class meets. I am sure the children will enjoy seeing some of the other children. Just a reminder to make sure that you are muted from the start of the session to avoid any feedback noise. I will look forward to seeing you all tomorrow.



WEEKLY CHALLENGE

We will be setting you a challenge to complete each week and will create a photomontage for the newsletter each week. At the end of this lockdown we will make a picture book of all the challenges set. Some will be easy, some will be silly, some will be artistic...any suggestions greatly received as well.

CHALLENGE 3

Create a photographic alphabet using objects / resources from around the house and garden to resemble letters.

You can take photos / videos of the process and of the event and eventual result. There are lots of videos and ideas online. Please upload your pictures / videos to GC or email them into the school office.



EYFS / KS1 Online books

Robins and Swallows should have received their login details for the online reading books by now. Please read the instructions to parents and carers carefully. Miss Akrigg and Mrs Carpenter have allocated books depending on your child's reading age. More books can be assigned when your child is ready to move onto the next level. This may involve re-reading some books children have already read. The aim of this is to help them develop their comprehension skills.

A reminder it is not a race through the reading levels!

Please email your child's Class Teacher if you are unsure about their current reading level.

Another big thanks to the PTA and all of you for the funds to purchase this online scheme.



Safer Internet day – 9th February

We will be posting activities for this in Google Classrooms and also there will be an opportunity to join a parents forum led by Mr Horton during this week.

Big Garden Birdwatch

It would be great if as many of us could take part in the 'Big Garden Birdwatch'. Join the challenge by clicking on the link below and signing up. Think of ways to attract birds into your garden, for example make a bird feeder and make some fat balls to go in it!

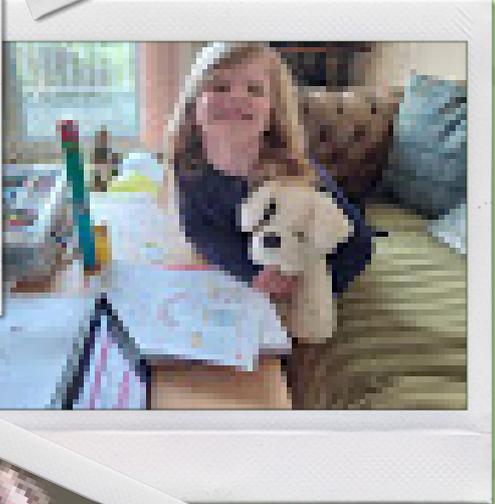
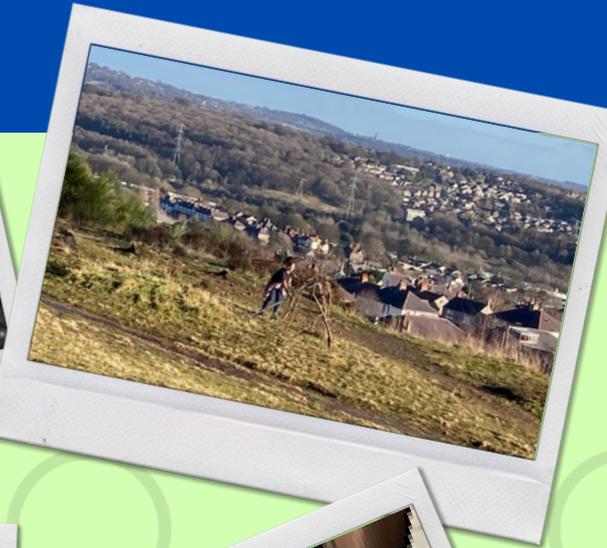
Big Garden Birdwatch



Friday 5th Feb No Screen Day

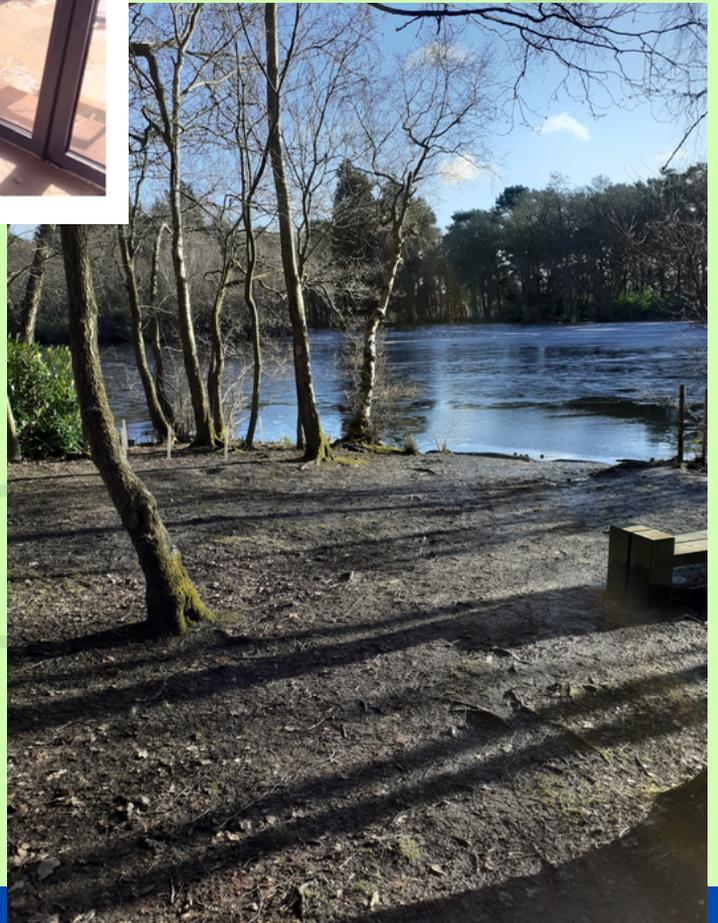
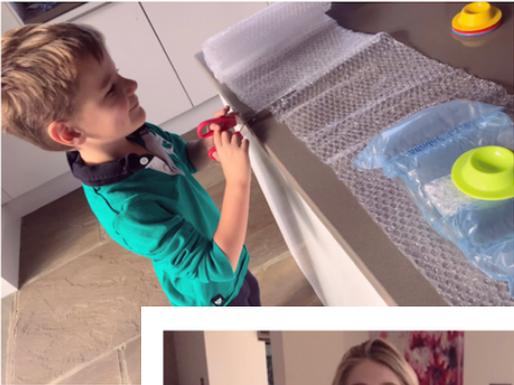
Next Friday we will be having a 'No Screen Day'. We are very aware that the children are spending more time than usual online and lots of time looking at a screen. None of the activities set next Friday will involve a screen! We have already come up with some ideas but would love to hear from you if you can think of any. Let your Class Teacher know via your stream and they will bring your ideas to our staff meeting on Monday after school.





PHOTOS FROM LOCKDOWN.....

Photo Challenge Week 2





Class Awards

Class 1 – Robins

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ANNA FINLAY TEDDY N

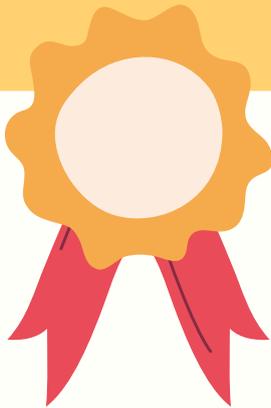


Class 2 – Swallows

RIAN MEGAN MAX
TED MAYA
ETHAN

Class 3 – Kingfishers

BLOSSOM RALPH
ISLA



Class 4 – Owls

ORLA NOAH
JACK

Class 5 – Eagles

ETHAN ANGUS
ARCHIE

