

Hello to all our Grangetown Families, we really hope that you are all keeping safe and well.

I hope you have enjoyed your learning packs this week and are using the class emails to show your work to your teachers. All the teachers are so happy to be hearing from you. Remember if you need any support with any of the work, then the class emails, Seesaw (Y2 + Y6) or Tapestry (Reception and Nursery) are there for you to use to contact your child's class teacher. We are all missing you in school and are hoping to see you soon. Stay safe!

STAY SAFE! WE MISS YOU!

What has been happening this week?

This week we've had a few notable days that you have celebrated at home. From the 18th – 24th May it is Mental Health Awareness week, and we've had a lovely gesture from a year 5 pupil, Sophie, who made her mum a cup of tea as part of this, to help her mum relax! How wonderful.

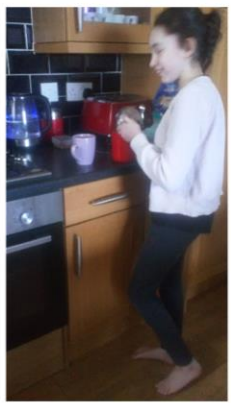
The weekend of the 16th/17th May was Durham Scouts Camp at Home Weekend.

Evan, Year 1 and Mia, Nursey, had the "best day of their lives" last Saturday when they camped in their living room! They played games virtually with hundreds of other scouts, they did treasure hunts and fun challenges! They even had a virtual campfire. All the family had a great time and Evan earned his first ever Beaver Badge! Well done Evan and Mia.

We also had a very important date for Rebecca in our 2-year olds! It was her 3rd birthday!

Happy birthday Rebecca.

We hope you had a fantastic birthday!



Online Learning!

We hope you've been enjoying the online learning that is available on our Virtual School Page. Remember these are ideas to support you at home and are not intended to add any extra pressure.

Letters to our teachers

Miss Dolan,

I am on week two. I miss you so much. I have been telling the time from YouTube videos and we have been learning about the 3D shapes you gave us. We have got a hot tub, and we have been playing in the garden. We have been having lots and lots of fun in lockdown. We made a stick love heart. – Leo, Year 2



Dear Miss Muldowney,

I have really missed you and my school friends. Me and my brother have got a hot tub and we were bouncing off the walls that we got one because we have been trying to find a hot tub from the start of lockdown. I really hope that we get back to school soon because I am so bored and I want to sit my own desk again. We have been doing all the tasks in the pack you gave us we have enjoyed week 2 of the work so far. Also we have made a stick heart using cardboard and thin and thick sticks then spray painted it. Hayley has cut Leo's hair my hair and mums hair but not to much just the ends. In Easter we went to Tunstall Hill and we got an I love you hare and it comes every where with me. I have named it Little Nutbrown Hare because there is a book called Guess how much I love you and it's my favourite book and Little Nutbrown hare is one of the characters. Hope we get back soon!!! From Molly, Year 4

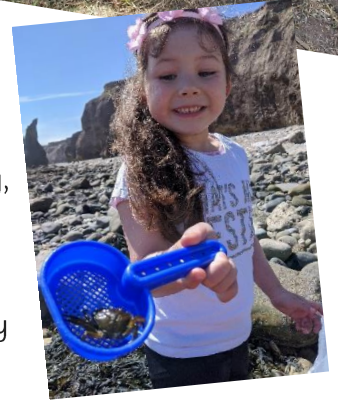
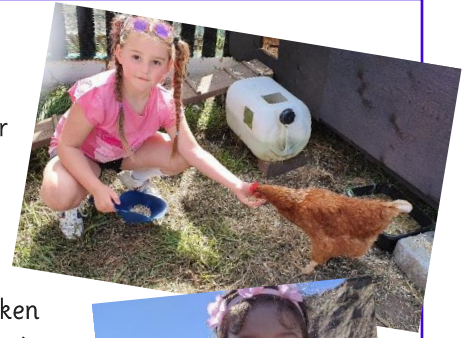


Family Time.

This week Alexis from year 2 has been spending time looking after and making friends with her 6 new pet chickens. She has been learning all about how to care for them; finding out what they like to eat, where they live and what they like for a bed and how and where they lay eggs. Their names are Chicken Alexis, Chicken Nugget, Chicken Dipper, and Chicken Chip, Sooty and Marshmallow. All of the chickens are enjoying their new home and look forward to Alexis visiting every day with something exciting for them to eat.

Jack in year 3/4 has also been enjoying this time with his family, they went for a walk along Roker Beach. Jack skimmed some stones in the water with his dad!

Lilly from reception also went to the beach with her mam. She went foraging for whelks to eat at Ryhope beach and found a crab. They put the baby crab back in the seaweed to grow big.



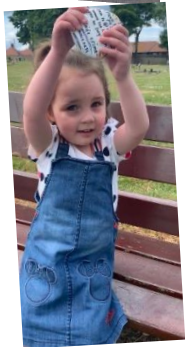
Exercise!

Lots of you have been using the lovely weather this weekend to do some wonderful exercising! Olivia from year 1 went for a bike ride in the park and went exploring and found a mermaid. She says she is missing everyone from school!

From of our Nursery, Thea's favourite thing to do at the minute is her daily exercise to Backhouse Park and learning to scoot really fast! Thea and her family also like to use their imagination to create different stories while exploring the park. So far, we've found a fairy den, a pirate ship, and some hidden treasure! Wow!

Rebecca from our 2-year olds went for a walk up to Grangetown Cemetery with her mammy & big brother Ryan, they found special stone that had been decorated.

Ellie from Year 5 also found some beautiful stones with pictures on! Ellie and her family have gone back to find more and are going to see if they can find some different one's next week.



Mia Louise from our 2-year-olds has had quite the adventure last week!

Mia went for her daily walk to her local beach with her mammy, but they forgot to check the time, and they got stuck! Mia's mam had to call the coastguard and they came and rescued them! They had to walk up some scary steps, Mia got carried up by a coastguard. Mia was so brave and took it all in her stride even did her own SOS sign. Her mammy was so proud! They even made it on the Sunderland coastguard Facebook page! We're all so glad that

you are both safe! What a reminder to check the tide times!

As well as completing great schoolwork at home, Eliza, Year 3, has made the most of the great weather. They've enjoyed lots of walks from their own doorstep including Seaburn Beach and Backhouse Park. They've also drove further afield and had a relaxing walk around Hill End.





Creative!



We love seeing all of your creative makes and wonderful creations during this time at home, and this week has been no different, lots of you are using this time to get creative! Layla, from Reception, made a bird feeder in the garden and an Easter cake! I can see her sign thanking Key workers too! What a lovely idea.

Evie from year 5 has been using some of her time to practice her drawing and to work on her guitar skills! When we are all back at school, I'm sure we would love to have people showing us their new talents they've developed in lockdown!



Freya in Year 2 has been busy trying out diamond painting!

She is concentrating so hard to stick the diamonds onto the sheet.

Bethany in Year 3/4 has been very creative and kind, her mam returned

from work to find she had worked with her dad to bake a cake! How

yummy does that look? Bethany even measured out all the ingredients herself, well done Bethany!



By the children:

We have had lots of entries from children telling us what they have been up to! You have lots to tell us!

It has been very hard for the Soup Kitchen during lockdown because they have had to change the way they do things. They can't have as many people in the kitchen to cook the food, and they can't have big queues of people waiting outside due to social distancing.

In April, we prepared meal bags for the soup kitchen to help them. There were two recipes we had to put together and an additional snack: pearl barley risotto, chickpea curry and popcorn. Using donations from customers of The Little Refill Shop, we weighed out exact measurements of dried ingredients and labelled bags to put them in. The ingredients we weighed out were, popcorn, red lentils, chickpeas, pearl barley, mixed herbs and garam masala. After sorting these into the correct bags, we added fresh fruit and vegetables to finish the recipes. When the shop had shut, we delivered the meal bags to the Soup Kitchen for people take back home so they can cook meals on days the Soup Kitchen is closed. - Olivia (Year 6)

Lockdown is a hard time to go through. That is why I have started cooking and baking. I have learned to make omelettes, as it has such a simple method and you do not have to have much. All you need is eggs, milk, and a topping of your choosing. I love making them and eating them.

We have also baked. The first thing we baked were rockbuns. We made them with dark chocolate chips, but they tasted like milk chocolate. They were delicious. We have already eaten them all. They barely lasted a week!

When we left them to cool, we made chocolate cake.

Last week, we made welsh cakes. They didn't turn out as good as the rock buns because they were so small, but they still tasted delicious. - Erin. (Year 6)





LET'S Celebrate

2 Year Olds: Mia-Louise!

For her bravery, this week during her beach adventure.

Nursery: Ethan!

For his inventive ways to participate with our home learning theme each week.

Year RKB: Daisy!

For not only adapting to life as a big sister but also completing many activities from her pack! She's also persevered with her number formation which is getting better every day!

Year RHC: Charlie!

For having a fantastic attitude to his work in our learning packs and trying really hard with his number formation.

Year 1AB: Millie!

For trying hard with her learning, even if this time is a bit tricky! Keep going Millie, you're doing a fantastic job!

Year 2NR: Sophia!

For choosing to do some independent writing this week! She wrote about how to make a pizza. Well done Sophia.

Year 2DC: Grace!

For carefully looking after her sunflower seeds very carefully this week!

Year 3VS: Christian!

For the excellent letter he wrote and emailed in. Miss Stell was very impressed with his vocabulary and presentation.

Year 3/4LM: Jack G!

For impressing Mrs Millican with how hard you are working on your learning pack – sending lots of work and photographs to school, you've even written your own adventure story which Mrs Millican loved reading!

Year 4KM: Ryley!

For changing his attitude to learning outside of school and trying his hardest to complete all his tasks.

Year 5MB: Sophie!

For taking part in the '7 Days of Kindness' challenge showing us how kind and selfless she is. We are very proud!

Year 6SH: Ribqah!

For an amazing week of work. Your artwork has been amazing, Miss Hunter especially liked the sketch of African Elephants.

Year 6AM: Jack R-G!

For working so hard on all the activities in his home learning pack. When Mrs McLoughlin has made suggestions on how to improve his work, he always does it. Mrs McLoughlin is very proud of his attitude towards his learning.

GPS Weekly Challenge:

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B --●●●	K --●--	T -
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H ●●●●	Q --●--	Z --●●
I ●●	R ●--	

Our challenge this week is a code! This is called Morse Code – and was used over radios before you could transmit voices. The symbols are referred to as dots and dashes. We've made a message for you; can you use the key to solve it? The commas are between the letters and the forward slashes are between words. If you solve it email in to tell us!

