

What our families are saying about our Remote Learning

I just wanted to let you know that * really enjoyed the castle-themed activities last week, and got stuck into building a 'tiny' castle (from a 'castle in a tin' kit) as well as a 'giant' castle - out of some boxes and other 'junk'.

He took his time working out how to arrange the boxes to represent the castle shape he had selected from a book, and then enjoyed using some double-sided tape to stick everything together. In the afternoon, he worked with Daddy to make a potato print in the shape of a brick and enjoyed using this to decorate the walls of his castle to make it look more authentic!

Inspired by one of the other children in the class, he used some (a lot of) foil to transform his 'Spiderman' doll into a medieval knight - complete with sword and shield - and has had fun playing with him this weekend.

He also really engaged with the numeracy activities last week, using some 'monkeys' to help him work out the answers to some multiplication and division sums - he really got the idea of 'sharing' them out equally into bowls / circles.

I gather he also shared his 'kung fu' maths skills (!) in Assembly last Friday - and enjoyed demonstrating these to us too.



This weekend, he had fun playing with (and smashing up) some ice, and made some 'pizzas' for the birds out of mud and seeds! He was very excited to discover the birds had eaten them both when he checked later in the day, and spotted a robin this morning eating some, so is now convinced the same bird has been eating all of it, and imagines there is a 'giant' robin flying about with a full tummy!

He has come home from school today with a perfectly-ordered picture version of the Rapunzel story, and was keen to it with us. He's also made a Family Tree, which again, he was excited to show us.



We are looking forward to another day of home-schooling tomorrow, see you on Zoom!



Good Morning, hope all is well. I just wanted to share these photos of * undertaking Mrs Scillitoe's 'Jammie Dodger' challenge yesterday! What a wonderful woman she evidently is, and what a lovely idea! * was very excited to see her, he listened carefully and had lots of fun making his biscuits! Thank you Mrs Scillitoe for the inspiration!



Just wanted to say a big thank you for all the work you guys are doing in getting the work out there to the kids, lessons, assemblies, listening to the parents and making the day go by quickly.

I know and appreciate how hard it is at the moment, and just wanted to say thanks.

Can't wait to be back at the gates, dropping off, as soon they'll be at secondary school and I won't see your smiley faces every day

Take care and thanks again.

My husband and I and my mum all keep saying how amazing you are and what you are managing to do with the children, so thought rather than keeping it to ourselves, I wanted to let you know.

This is a hard time and you are making this time easier. * has said she is even enjoying zoom now, as are we. We are so impressed how you manage to do these lessons over zoom (we think the children are fab too 😊).

Then today when you put the hat on and gave them all a laugh and a smile.... it's those small things that mean the world to them. I can see why they all love you.

We feel so lucky to have * at your school and even luckier that she is starting her journey with you (even if it's a little different to the normal).

So Thank you!!! You are a wonderful teacher and brightening up our days.

Just want to say.... I think you do a remarkable job and the school is absolutely amazing and for that you should be proud.

The home learning from x class has been brilliant today so again well done.

Make sure you all take care of yourselves and keep safe

I can honestly say you have all been amazing and always at hand to help so I thank you all and send much love. Xxxxx

Thank you again for all your work this week. We've actually managed to keep up and not just finish half of everything!

Just wanted to say - you are wonderful teacher and person. Thank you for teaching both of my babies. * adores you, (** would argue she loves you more) and you have made home schooling a pleasure. Thank you and all the staff for all your hard work x

Extracts from Emails sent to Ofsted by parents since our Remote Learning Offer began on 5th January 2021

'I am writing to share with you the extremely positive Remote Learning provision that my child has received from Colne Engaine Church of England Primary School over the last week. I admire their efforts as a small rural primary school and this has further confirmed to me what an excellent place for learning this really is.'

'Our small village school is seeing remote virtual learning for all year groups taking place in what seems to be to the end users a seamless experience. I'm sure that the teaching teams may not feel like it is seamless and I am sure many hours go into preparing these lessons but we as end users are finding the whole process one that is fit for purpose and based purely around the children's need.'

'My school provides my children a learning experience that is built on foundations of love, care, respect and a total desire for each child to fulfil their maximum potential.'

I just wanted to send you some photos of *'s work from today. We had a fun morning, finding out about robins, and practising spellings and the multiplication tasks. You won't be surprised to learn that he thoroughly enjoyed the follow-up drawing task, and following the online tutorial from Rob Biddulph - who he has watched a number of times before.

Thank you for all your work this week - it has been SOOOOOO much easier to home school this time around with the Zoom inputs. Looking forward to the assembly, and then, the weekend!



Hello, I just want to say a huge thankyou to you. * has loved her first week of live lessons. She's completely engaged and is loving her work! The live lessons have been so much easier for me this time around too!

The lessons and organisation of learning provided by yourselves is outstanding- thank you! I am forever grateful to your school and all the teachers for your amazing teaching!

Just to let you know I think you're doing an amazing job this side of Zoom ...it must be so hard. I feel it must be one of the hardest ages to Zoomyou're delivering really well. I don't know how you do it !