

Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School Newsletter No 27



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Virtual Performance—Love2Dance



Our "Love2Dance" troupe were due to perform at the Stag Theatre on Monday. In true artist form, they accepted that the show must go on regardless of the closed venue! Our fabulous team of dancers performed to a virtual audience of family! Congratulations to you all for your hard work and for Mrs Brooks for leading the corps.

Christian Values

This week, even though we are not all together, are pleased to recognise the following for their endeavours:

Kitty G COURAGE	R	For believing in herself and using her sounds to help her write phonetically
Grace G LOVE & RESPECT		For listening to adults carefully & following instructions to get her work done
Theo F RESPECT	2	For learning all of the work set for him since school closure
Abi F COMPASSION	3	For thinking of others in such times of uncertainty and so lovingly sponsoring a child
All of Class 4 LOVE	4	For supporting each other and being so positive about their learning
Samuel W LOVE	5	For caring for people at school and joining in even though he had school work to complete as well
Oliver G LOVE, RESPECT & COURAGE	6	For performing a haka of his own invention with thought & care

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's no joke! This is the end of the second week of home-based schooling across the UK; a short week, as the Easter holidays (technically) start today. It's also April **Fool's Day**, so I hope you found something amusing or worthy of a hearty laugh. Amidst trial, we need humour to sustain us.

Thank you to everyone for tackling the school website's class pages of learning. Some of you have lapped it up, others are feeling overwhelmed (and may catch up over the next few days). It really is a challenge for us all to tackle distance schooling, but we will continue to refine our processes as time ticks on.

Please remember to use

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to safely share your news, photos and
contributions to this shortened Newsletter.
Hopefully, it will also act as a reminder to
"... be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one
another, be compassionate and humble" in
our personal situations.

As we venture further into uncertain times, please remember families and staff who are unwell, those who are fearful, those who are feeling isolated, those who are anxious about financial and professional responsibilities.

I hope you will encourage your child to tackle Mrs Robinson's whole school Music Challenge! We are looking forward to Team Chevening re-uniting with a whole school song and making some noise!

Please keep in touch via our <u>website</u>, <u>email</u> or Twitter so we can keep Team Chevening strong.

With best wishes to all, Miss Minnis



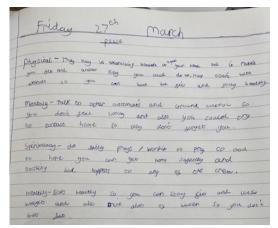
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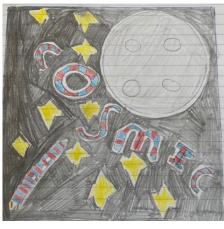


Class 5 **Home Learning**

Class 5 have been finding out all about the difficulties astronauts face by being isolated in space and facing unfamiliar challenges. They have been thinking how they need to take care of their fitness when cut off from others in a small space. That fitness includes mental, physical, social and spiritual parts. Perhaps we can learn something from them ourselves in our current situation?



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On-site Learning

Our small group of on-site learners have been busy over the last two weeks enjoying DT, drama and IT. They have done well to look after each other in their small numbers.





Digital Resources

British Library has a digital gallery of activities to spark children's creativity and inspire their own books, stories and more. Please visit their <u>site</u> for more details.



Online Safety

With much of our learning now dependant on accessing information on the internet, we need to remind everyone about parental controls and the supervision of young vulnerable people on the internet. Sadly, a number of adults have been targeted by scams already and predators will look to make the most of every opportunity too. *Please guard and guide your child to keep them safe.*

Whilst there is cause for concern, the internet is a great resource, especially when legitimate, genuine and reputable organisations have come to our aid. Amongst these is TKSST, a library of videos on a range of issues, topics and themes. For our KS1 families, we recommend grown ups viewing first (watch out for Americanisms) then watching with children and pausing to discuss different points.

This link will take you to the Coronavirus clips: https://thekidshouldseethis.com/tagged/coronavirus







Thank you to Mr Garrett for tackling some muchneeded repairs to keep us all safe when we come back to school.