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Stay Connected at Audlem St James CE Primary School

Last week all children's end of school reports went out to parents and we have already had some lovely positive comments from both children and parents. These are always appreciated by staff as all a teacher wants to do is help children believe anything is possible and their dreams can come true.



On Monday next week Year 6 will have their photos taken as part of them leaving the school. They will have individual and then small group photos which will be altered later so that it looks like the whole class are standing together. This will be an emotional time for both staff and children as they realise that a new part of their education is now only around the corner. As I said to them **'Teachers give children roots to grow and the wings to fly'**



This is what they will be doing as they enter high school because I know that they will achieve their dreams as they will carry on being dedicated to doing the best that they can possible do.

We will be opening to all pupils full time from September, subject to any change in circumstance such as a local lockdown. A letter has been sent out today to parents/carers of children in Reception to Y5 giving details for our September opening. Full details are available on the school website where you will find a draft risk assessment for September under the "Return to School" tab. We are very excited to be able to welcome you all back. There will be some fairly significant changes from how school used to operate but it will be wonderful to get back to some kind of normality.

Thought of the Week

Don't worry about hard times because some of the most beautiful things we have in life come from changes and mistakes.

What defines us is that we learn from our mistakes and ensure that these don't happen again. We are only human and the process of learning is through making mistakes. Ensure that we try everything and have a go with a smile on our face.



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This week's Praise Book children are:

Mrs Kemp and Mrs Burgess' Class

All of Amethyst Class for being superstars every day

Mrs Read's Class

Amelie Furber - for creating a masterpiece painting at home in the style of Monet titled 'Blossom'.

Tommy Roberts - for his beautiful painting of Monet's Bridge.

Matthew Jones - for his wonderful independent writing of a poem about the seaside.

Mrs Richardson and Mrs Smith's Class

Poppy Rudd-Farnell - for excellent research about the rainforest and super animal riddles

Frankie Sherwin - for excellent map work identifying rainforests on a map of the world

Mr Davies' Class

Riley Morris - dedication and hard work during his English sessions

Charlie Furber - showing resilience during PE

Joshua Hassall - positive attitude to his learning

Miss Morris's Class

Katy Entwisle - creative flair in her art work

Calum Wilson - superb presentation and effort in English

Callum Lambie - working to the best of his ability in all subjects

Mr Blenkiron's Class

Seren Morgan - high standard of work completed at home

Harry Stockton - producing an excellent & balanced argument

James Brennan - making an informative & entertaining presentation using his IT skills

Mrs Bird's Class

Sophie Ammundsen, Tom Ammundsen, Holly Hornby and Lillyrose Shaw-Adams - for a fantastic effort in their maths homework.

You are all amazing and Shining Stars to everyone at school.

Prayer to Share this week - We pray for all the Families in our local community.





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School - Stay at Home Heroes

Amethyst Class

This week in Amethyst class we listened to the story 'The Way Back Home.' We set the task of following the grid instructions, writing ten things to take in a space rocket, adding two numbers together, learning some planet names and making rock cakes.

We enjoyed seeing what you have been up to including, listening to the 'Solar System Song,' making an alien out of 2d shapes, counting space objects and painting planets.

Look out on the website on our "Amethyst" class page next week for ideas for "week 14" at home.

Sapphire Class

This week Sapphire class have continued their learning on time and poetry. In maths, we have completed a time treasure hunt and solved problems using o'clock and half past. In English, we have used our senses to write descriptive poems about the seaside or our playground. In topic, we have created our own paintings of Monet's Bridge and designed a new flag for the United Kingdom using human and physical features.

Pearl Class

The children in Pearl class have been exploring the rainforest as part of our global garden studies. They pinpointed rainforests on a map of the world and learned about plants and animals found in a rainforest. They created riddles, descriptions and explanations.

Amber Class

This week, Amber class have been continuing with their studies of Ancient Egypt and the importance of the River Nile as well as their Science work looking at opaque, translucent and transparent materials. English has seen the children writing character descriptions and our maths work has focused on measuring mass and capacity.

Emerald Class

This week Emerald class have worked on angles in their Maths. For English they have looked at poetry and written their own haiku poem. They have started listening to our new class book, The Terrible thing that Happened to Barnaby Rooket and thinking about the characters. For Science, they investigated the human digestive system and for RE they learned about yoga in Hinduism. They completed a CW1 kids workout and made a one-point perspective cityscape in Art.

Ruby Class

This week in Maths, Ruby Class have been focusing on the geometric areas of regular and irregular polygons, 3D shapes, reflection and translation. Some children have also used their maths knowledge in order to answer questions comparing and contrasting the River Severn (the UK's longest river) and the Amazon River (the world's largest river). In English, the children have been completing a unit on newspaper reports. This has involved reading comprehension activities on the real-life "French Spiderman" Alain Robert, and a fictional (as far as we know) UFO crash outside of Buckingham Palace... They have identified the key features of a newspaper report and begun to write their own on a subject of their choosing - e.g. a local sports team, an environmental issue, or something completely extraordinary. The children have learned many amazing facts about ducks from watching Mr Blenkiron & Eggbert's informative video... and have gone on to research, compare and contrast their own water-fowl from different continents across the globe.

Furthering their knowledge of South America, Ruby Class have also learned about Curitiba, the Brazilian city known as the "greenest" and "most innovative" city in the world, and have considered how it has earned these titles.

As part of Well-being Wednesday, each child has been tasked with creating colourful hands and labelling each digit with something they are good at or a positive quality they possess. (But remember, you don't have to be *the absolute best* at something to be proud of your abilities, and you don't necessarily have to be good at something to enjoy it). Finally, as well as joining in with Thursday's CW1 session on Zoom, Ruby Class have been designing computer games based on the idea of the "River in the Sky" (the "river" that exists above the Amazon in the form of rain droplets, carrying more water across the continent than the Amazon River itself!)

Diamond Class

This week, Year 6 have been learning about one-point perspective in art; drawing cityscapes and using their mathematical knowledge about lines and angles to help them. In maths, they have been learning about angles inside shapes, and for English they have been writing some lovely metaphorical poems all about themselves in preparation for



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their Leavers' DVD. They have been continuing to think about transition, specifically how to dare to take risks, bouncing back from setbacks and how to deal with feelings of change.










ABC

We have been welcoming back our pre-school children. It was so lovely to see them all. The children came back really happy and were so excited to see their friends. We are taking applications for September 2020. Get in contact if you'd like to secure a place for September. Details of the Summer holiday club have been attached to this newsletter.

Mr Perry's Challenge of week

My challenge this week is a scavenger hunt. See how many items you can find on this list.

SCAVENGER HUNT

 Smooth Rock	 Rough Rock	 Green Leaf	 Dry Leaf
 Pine Cone	 Wildflower	 Tree Bark	 Tree Branch
 Weed	 Running Water	 Flying Insect	 Crawling Insect
 Frog	 Lizard	 Bird	 Mammal
 Spider Web	 Bird Feather	 Animal Tracks	 Animal Hole

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Finally - take care and look after each other and ensure that we keep on talking and communicating to people that might not be able to get out. It's good to talk.

A.Perry