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NEWSLETTER

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## HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a good week and are all well. Our new routine of online and class teaching seems to be going along well. I have seen examples of children's individual progress in Maths, writing, reading and art both in and out of school so well done everyone, you should feel very proud of your continued achievement. Some great work in Year 2. A special well done to children who received a Headteacher sticker for their writing today.

You may have noticed that Coronavirus testing of all staff in primary schools is being brought in. We have been busy preparing for all that it involves. Staff will test themselves twice a week whether they are in school or not. If any staff are positive, they will then book a PCR test to confirm and then we will follow the normal procedures regarding this. It has been set up to help pick up any asymptomatic cases. Let us hope it is another move towards keeping everyone safe.

Thank you to all our parents who are supporting their children with their home learning, it is great to see you so actively involved. I hope your connection with school helps you to feel that you are not alone in your endeavours as well as appreciating that some days/activities will go better than others.

Have a great weekend.

Jenny Griffiths



THIS WEEK THE WINNING TEAM IS

**BLUE TEAM**

Well done to all the children at home and at school that have earned a team token for their work this week.



## IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Information for parents and carers about the closure of schools and other educational settings following the outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19).

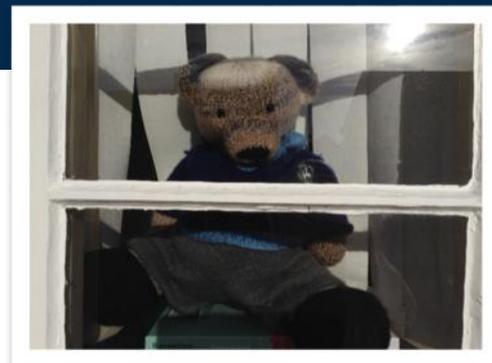
[Click here to be directed to the gov.uk website.](#)

## BEAR HUNT

Another school in Telford have started a bear hunt, asking local children to put a teddy in their window for other children to find on their daily walks. We thought this would be a lovely idea for our children to join in with. If you wish to your photos of your teddy can be shared using our school name, on twitter under [#TeamGP](#) (The school that started the bear hunt).

Then, when out on your daily walks, keep your eyes peeled for other bears hiding in windows!

Can you spot our Church Aston Infant School teddy?



## FRUIT IN SCHOOL

The Fruit scheme is now back up and running so children don't need to bring their own piece of fruit into school.

## Do you have an old laptop that you no longer need?

*If yes, why not donate it to help support a child's online learning?*

*In the next two weeks, we are asking for donations of laptops in good condition, that we will collect and trade-in to buy new laptops to help children in our borough who don't have their own computer at home for online learning.*

*Our Council has already provided more than 300 laptops through the "Laptops for Learning" scheme but more devices are needed, as during this lockdown more children in our borough struggle to learn from home. If you wish to donate, please note the following:*

*To arrange the collection, go to [Laptop collection survey](#)*

*Should you have any issues/ concerns around your collection slot or if you want to change/ cancel it after your booking, please email [laptopcollection@telford.gov.uk](mailto:laptopcollection@telford.gov.uk)*



# CLASS 1

Another successful week in Class 1 with lots of work being completed at home and in school. Reception have been exploring numbers to 5. Finding different combinations of 5 and learning about the conservation of the number. No matter how we split the number the total stays the same. Year 1 have been looking at the number bonds to 20 by counting on and using their knowledge of number bonds to 10. In our English lessons Reception have been looking at rhyming patterns and learning the phonic sounds 'igh' and 'oa'. Year 1 have continued their pirate story looking at punctuation and have learned the sounds 'ph', ew and oe.

On Thursday we made our own pancakes at home and at school. It was lovely to share this experience with each other. Thank you to all the home parents who got the ingredients, helped, and washed up too!

Snow days are always exciting, and we have lots of photos to capture the delight of the children. We will be taking part in the RSPB Great Britain Bird Watch next week so are planning ways to attract more birds into our gardens.



**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Rewarded for working so hard in school and joining her friends on Teams in her lessons.**

Ph and 'wh' words:  
dolphin The dolphin splashed everywhere.  
whale  
alphabet The elephant did not make a sound.  
whip  
wheel

Number bonds  
10 = 1 + 9  
10 = 2 + 8  
10 = 3 + 7  
10 = 4 + 6  
10 = 5 + 5

# CLASS 2

We have had another busy week in Class 2! Our new maths topic, time, has made us think about the length of a second and a minute. Did you know it takes 8 1/2 minutes to get into space in a rocket?

The children have started to focus on telling the time using the hour and minute hand. Can you remember which hand is longer, the minute or the hour hand? The children also enjoyed making paper chains by putting the months of the year in order.

There has been a real **buzz** in the classroom, and on Teams, with the children sharing their facts about space. What wonderful posters and rockets you have made Class 2! Year 2 *What kind of sentence is that?*

The children really enjoyed making their moving rocket with Miss Wiggin this week. They coloured the earth identifying the land and sea, then attached a flying rocket using a split pin as a pivot. The rocket then moves with the lever. We will set this as a task for the home learning next week. Next week also challenge yourself and aim for a Mathletics certificate.



**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Rewarded for working hard and joining in everything with his broken arm.**



# Look who turned 7 this week.

## SCHOOL DINNERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday – Chicken nuggets, waffles and beans.

Tuesday – Baked Potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna.

Wednesday – Sausages, mash, veg, yorkshire pudding and gravy.

Thursday – Burger, chips and beans.

Friday – Fish, chips and peas.



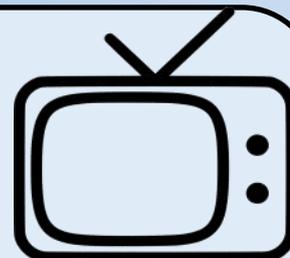
## Home Learning

### BBC BITESIZE PRIMARY LESSONS ON TV

The BBC has now started their curriculum-based programmes on BBC1. For **primary school pupils**, CBBC will show BBC Bitesize Daily as well as popular shows such as Our School, Celebrity Supply Teacher, Horrible Histories, Art Ninja and Operation Ouch.

In addition to this a huge range of online lessons can be accessed via the Internet.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/this-terms-topics>



## SCHOOL HOME LEARNING PROGRAMMES



<https://online.espresso.co.uk>

Username: student26973

Password: aston3

Mathletics

A 3P Learning Product

<https://login.mathletics.com/>

Refer to your child's diary for their password.



If you need anything to help support your child's home schooling during this period of national lockdown then please do not hesitate to contact us.

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# Home Learning

## English

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize)

[www.spellingshed.com/en-gb](http://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb)

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/> (Online lessons)

<https://www.pobble365.com/> ( Pictures to inspire creative writing)

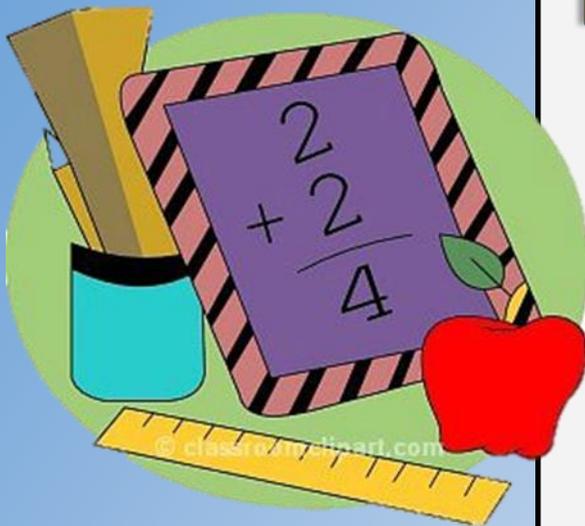
[Alphablocks](#)

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/english.htm>



## Maths

- [Mathletics](#) (check your child's diary for their Login details)
- <https://classroom.thenational.academy/>
- [Numberblocks](#)
- [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)
- [www.snappymaths.com](http://www.snappymaths.com)
- [www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize)
- <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>
- <http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/maths/maths.htm>



## P.E

- [www.bbc.co.uk/teach/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/)
- [supermovers](#)
- [PE with Joe https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYCLoPd4VxBsXs1WmPcektsQyFbXTf9FO](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYCLoPd4VxBsXs1WmPcektsQyFbXTf9FO)
- <https://thepehub.co.uk/free-content/>



# Celebrating Success

## MATHLETICS



**BRONZE**

*Well done  
everyone*



**SILVER**