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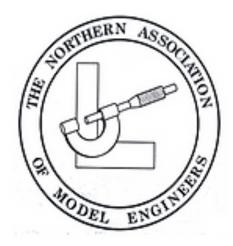
Award for Young Engineer of the Year 2020

Ben from Class 11P has won an award for Young Engineer of the year 2020!!!

The award is from the Northern Federation of Model Engineering and will be a trophy, hopefully presented at the National Railway Museum in York, if and when restrictions allow. He was put forward for it by the chairman at Avonvale Model Engineering Society, where Ben volunteers and has worked to restore a carriage and steam locomotive. Well Done Ben – we are very proud of your achievement!









Communication Team News

This week, sign of the week is TOWEL. Please follow the link to watch the video.



https://www.wfs.worcs.sch.uk/page/?title=Sign+of+the+Week&pid=333

<u>**Get help with Technology**</u> <u>https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/internet-access</u>

The Department for Education has worked with mobile phone companies to provide additional data for families of children in <u>Years 3-11 ONLY</u> who do not have a broad band connection and are struggling to pay for additional data. The Current Providers signed up to the scheme are EE, O2, Sky Mobile, SMARTY, Tesco Mobile, Three, Virgin Mobile and Vodafone.

To process the request, we will require the following information to be sent to the office email address office@wfs.worcs.sch.uk

- the account holder's name
- their mobile number (a number beginning with '07')
- their mobile network
- whether it is pay monthly or pay as you go

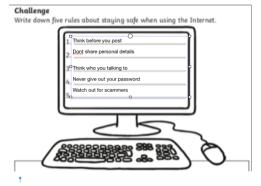
Parent Zone (www.parentzone.org.uk) have released a free online magazine for parents. It is entitled "Digital Parenting" and covers topics such as resilience, being kind, online safety, fake news, body image, and privacy. It is really worth a read and is full of useful information and tips. Click the link below to access it.



https://parentzone.org.uk/system/files/attachments/Digital%20Parenting%206%20N EW.pdf

Chloe from Class 13B has also been working hard at home and learning about Internet Safety for all children.





Bubble 4 News

Bubble 4 have been looking at healthy and unhealthy, everyone was able to say foods they like and dislike, they were able to sort healthy and unhealthy foods. We started to talk about how we could have healthy life styles, Kyle said "swimming is healthy!" Great work everyone.









Bubble 2

Bubble 2 have been having a lovely week exploring Forest School and playing parachute games in the hall, designing their own wellies and learning about the weather!



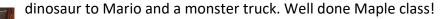
Bubble 3 and MAPLE Class



Last week the topic was fantasy island. The children in Bubble 3 worked really hard to make their own fantasy island. They used junk to make the mountains and caves. Then they used Papier-mâché to cover the junk materials used. To finish off their model they painted it.



In Maple class we have been learning all about fantasy lands. We have designed, described and made our own lands as well as transport to get there. Some of us have even dressed up ready to go exploring too. We have also been learning about rivers and water and built a rain gauge to measure the rainfall. It was lovely to see what everyone bought to show us during our zoom story session. From a spider and a













OAK & PINE Classes

Some children from OAK & PINE class have been taking part in zoom yoga lessons with Charley, PINE Class Teacher. They had great fun joining in!











So there has been bending and stretching for exercise, plus exercise for the brain with maths and phonics via zoom and learning about rain and the word 'over' – and even doing experiments! Wow!!!





BIRCH Class

Another busy week for Birch class! We have enjoyed learning about coins during our Zoom maths sessions and we had a pretend trip to the toy shop to practice. Riley then worked hard afterwards practicing using 1p and 2p coins to buy his favourite chocolate, great work Riley!

We also enjoyed an attention and listening zoom lesson where Emily got very messy! In our phonics Zoom we learnt some new sounds, practiced writing the letters and even practiced spelling some words! Kyle did fantastic work using the sound 'sh'! We also had great fun on a music zoom where Archie's teddy did amazing work in the bean bag bop and Callum's cat joined in with us too for wake up shake up! Great work Birch class, you are all super stars!





ACORNS - Reception Class

The theme this term is 'Colour'. We've learnt about the Colour Monster story and emotions. There's been lots of shape sorting and printing with colours too!













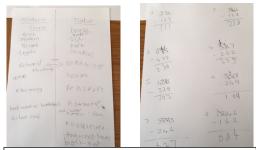


HOLLY Class



Pupils in HOLLY Class have been learning about numbers, shapes and completing art work at home.

Class 8C In Class 8C we are working on our maths and looking at portraits in art, and last week I set the challenge to recreate some famous portraits using ourselves.....



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Super Maths work Taylor!

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BEECH Class



BEECH class have been focusing on building their independence whilst at home, starting with making lunch by spreading that tricky butter! Some members of our class have gone the extra mile to help make a cake for their family, she even cracked the eggs herself!



We have continued to work on independence skills this week too and done some lovely art work!





WOODLANDS Class



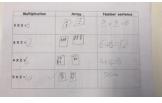
Woodlands pupils are continuing to learn all about the blue planet for their topic enjoying number activities. We also We did our first virtual sensory session with Woodlands this week. Pupils and parents enjoyed singing songs, doing different actions and using sensory resources such as scarves and bubbles.



ASH Class

This week ASH class have been practising 'bouncy & stretchy sounds' and red & green card words during our phonics Zoom lesson.

In English the children have looked at picture prompts to help them to plan & write their own stories. During our Maths Zoom lesson we continued to develop repeated addition & early multiplication skills. This week the children made groups, counted in multiples, found totals and started to use the 'X' symbol. Well done Ash class!









Sixth Form - in school and at home!

Sixth form students, those at home and in school, have been learning different skills. Some have been doing daily dance exercise in class, joining in zoom lessons and some have been learning about the skills needed for working in the hospitality sector!

So far this week, Sixth Form Bubble 6 have taken part in a zoom meeting to explore Queen Alexandra College and our pupils where very impressed.

We have taken part in a zoom dance with Rosie, the pupils really enjoyed this session. We have also been taking part in zoom lessons for English, Maths and cooking. Our students have really engaged with every lesson and we are very proud.





ELM Class

Pupils have been busy in and out of school; enjoying a family games day, splashing in puddles at a rainy Forest School, having zoom catch up's with friends and learning to tell the time!



YEW Class

Yew class have been keeping up their phonics and maths skills in school, plus have been enjoying lots of physical breaks in forest school. We have also been having some social zoom calls to enable the children to talk with their friends.











HAZEL Class

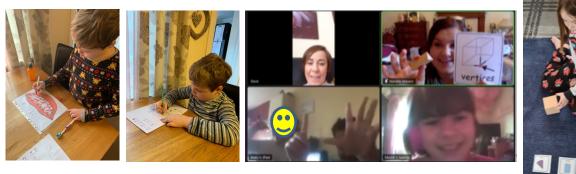
Joshua has been working really hard this week with his home learning tasks. Here he can be seen completing sentences about the character Pandora from the Greek Myth, Pandora's Box in English. He has been learning about the importance of keeping our teeth healthy by demonstrating how to clean his teeth and by labelling the parts of the teeth for our Science topic of Healthy Body.

Hazel class have been enjoying more live Zoom lessons this week. We continued with our exploration of shapes by identifying the properties of physical 3D shapes. Here we can be seen counting the number of vertices on a triangular prism as a team. Kayla - Marie enjoyed doing Phonics and English via Zoom and here Riley has written some lovely sentences about topics of his choice. Well done Hazel class!

Maddi has been in the Kidderminster Shuttle! She has chopped off her long hair and kindly donated it to The Little Princess Trust. We are all very proud of her for choosing to do something so lovely for others who are less fortunate.

Here is the article: <u>https://www.kidderminstershuttle.co.uk/news/18996949.kidderminster-girl-donates-hair-cancer-charity-second-time/</u>

Elissa was 10 years old yesterday! Her friends in Hazel class enjoyed making cards and birthday pictures for her. Happy Birthday Elissa, we hope you had a really lovely day.



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CHERRY Class

Wonderful work in Cherry Class this week. We have been getting better at our zoom lessons and then the children have been practising the maths and phonics from the zoom sessions throughout the week. Science has been all about our amazing bodies, naming body parts and finding out what different parts of our bodies can do. The children have enjoyed Simon says games, sensory walks and listening games too.





Bird Feeding





A few of our pupils in Bubble 6 have been enjoying outdoor learning and have made and hung bird feeders around the school.





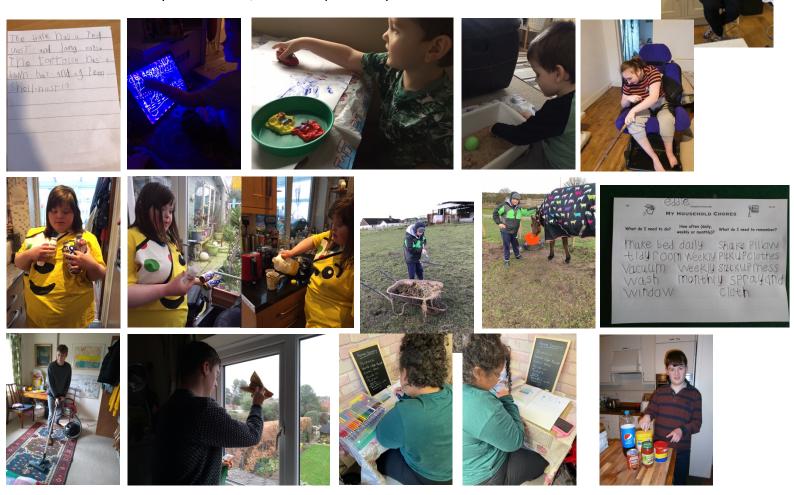
Bubble 1

Bubble 1 children have been mixing colours, painting rainbow fish and making rain catchers!!! Great Work!



Life Skills and Remote Education

Many thanks to everyone who has sent photos to Teachers and gave permission to share their child's wonderful work. So many of our pupils (from Nursery to Sixth Form!) are engaging so well with Remote Education and learning great new skills whilst they are at home, we are so proud of you all.



Cookery with Wyre Forest Pupils! (WARNING – This page may make you feel hungry.....)

Lots of great cooking skills are happening, both in and out of school and lots of lovely meals and snacks are being made. Pizza Pittas have been a particular favourite this week, along with chicken casserole, nachos with cheese, brownies and banana cake...... We hope Parents & Carers are enjoying the results!











































