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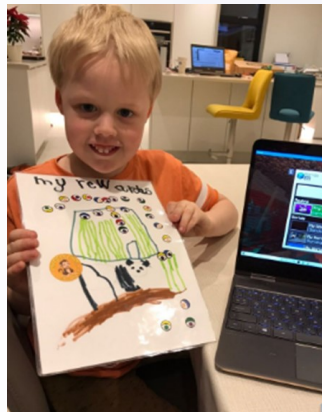
# Pyrford C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter

## Golden Book Highlights

  
THE NEWARK TRUST



*Amal*



*Samuel*

*Eshal*



*Naomi*



*Stanley*



*Martha Brown*

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## Headteacher's Letter

### You'll Never Walk Alone

#### Home Learning This Week

10,555 posts on Seesaw

8,050 pieces of work commented on

#### Half Term Drama Workshops

For one hour each day, Perform's team will inspire and encourage the children as they combine drama, dance and singing into a magical experience. The course costs £60 for the 5 day. More details at:

<https://www.perform.org.uk/classes-courses/holiday-courses/fe2021>

Good morning and welcome to our last newsletter of this half term and what a half term it has been! Never did I expect to be in this lockdown situation with blended onsite and home school learning taking place, but nevertheless, here we are.

I hope you like the Captain Sir Tom Moore montage we have put together using all of your wonderfully inspiring photographs. The short video can be viewed on the seesaw platform and our facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/Pyrford-C-of-E-Primary-School-183641531974313>. We have been amazed at how you have come together as a school community, both at home and in school, to support this great cause and to give us all a sense of belonging together during these times. I don't think we could have had a colder week to get out and do our 100 laps. Mind you, I have read stories of children and families completing the equivalent of a whole marathon. Whatever the distance you have managed, we are very proud of you! Certificates will be winging their way to everyone in school and at home who has completed the challenge.

I am sure many of you are delighted that it is half term! No more home learning for a week. Staff are certainly ready for a few days to 'refill our buckets' as the saying goes. Many have been working extremely long hours, way above their contracted time. I am extremely proud of the way staff have adapted to this new way of working and upped their game with IT skills, recording lessons and tutorials as well as providing feedback and motivation where required. Staff love their week working in school as it feels like putting on a pair of comfy slippers! We all long for the day when we can be together inside the school building again; hopefully that day is not too far away.

We will clear the seesaw feeds and archive work for everyone over this weekend, so that all children start with a clean sheet, no one feels their feed is overwhelmed with unfinished work and everyone is set ready to go on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February with the new learning for the half term ahead.

This year, we will be unable to mark Ash Wednesday in school, with the season of Lent due to start on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February. The Church of England's new campaign suggests that instead of giving up something for Lent, we should consider 40 Acts of Kindness instead. We will be picking this up with children after the half term, but in the meantime if you are looking for ideas of things to do with your children this link from Guildford diocese has a wealth of ideas at the bottom of the page and there are also links for you to join online services at the cathedral. <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/campaigns/lent>

Whilst the school is closed during half term, we will still take responsibility for safeguarding and track and trace. Should any pupils or staff who have been on site during this last week, subsequently test positive for Covid19, please do let me know via email so that I am able to undertake the relevant protocols. Please email [head@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:head@pyrford.surrey.sch.uk)



**Tomorrow**  
*will be a*  
**Good Day**

Finally, do take Captain Sir Tom Moore's message with you.

Thank you to everyone, in school and at home, who have supported the school this half term. We have been so grateful to receive your message of support and kindness. They keep us going when times are tough.

Wishing you all a restful half term.

Kathryn Krynicki  
Headteacher



## We are recruiting Volunteers

Do you have 2-3 hours a week  
to help a local family with young children?

**HOME  
START**  
Runnymede  
& Woking



Do you remember those early years  
bringing up young children?

Sometimes it can be a struggle for all sorts of  
reasons and families often need a bit of help.

Your experiences of being a parent might be  
the vital support a family needs.

For more information about our next online  
preparation course starting in March 2021  
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## DIARY DATES

**13 - 21 Feb:** HALF TERM

**Thu 1 Apr:** Last day of term

**2 - 18 Apr:** Easter Holiday

**Tue 11 May:** Y5 Vikings Day

**29 May - 6 Jun:** HALF TERM

**Mon 7 Jun:** INSET Day

**Wed 21 Jul:** Last day of term

# GOLDEN BOOK

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN BOOK WINNERS THIS WEEK

<p><b>N SQUIRRELS</b></p> <p>Amal Maricar for excellent effort in her home learning. She is always so busy and uploads photos and videos of what she has been up to. In Squirrels, we have “Fine Motor Friday” and this week Amal used the playdough to strengthen her finger muscles. She also put tiny seeds into a cupcake tray. Well done Amal!</p>	<p><b>3 ELM</b></p> <p>Eshal Abdullah for her fantastic work in Science. After watching the lesson, Eshal decided to copy the experiment. She also made details notes during the lesson. Eshal continues to impress her teachers with the effort she’s putting into all of the activities. Well done Eshal!</p>
<p><b>R BEECH</b></p> <p>Naomi Champ for working so hard with her home learning. She made an amazing 3D model of the Bear Hunt to retell the story. She has also made a video for the Reception children telling us all about Chinese New Year which we are learning about this week. Thank you so much Naomi!</p>	<p><b>3 MAPLE</b></p> <p>Martha Stringfellow for working so hard on all of the activities set for her on Seesaw. Martha has been trying very hard to make sure that her work is always neatly presented and she has been putting lots of effort into her handwriting too!</p>
<p><b>R HAZEL</b></p> <p>Samuel Hughes. He has impressed me so much with his learning on Seesaw that I just didn’t know what to choose. Samuel always tries his best with all his work and has uploaded a mix of photos and videos. I’d also like to mention that I get a video every morning of Samuel saying good morning to me with a big smile on his face which makes my day. Well done Samuel!</p>	<p><b>4 ALDER</b></p> <p>Sam Darling for being a super star on Seesaw! He is working really hard with all his jobs and I was particularly impressed by his descriptive writing about a fire in The Wild Robot. He has included effective adjectives and fronted adverbials. Sam has also uploaded fabulous acting scenes on Seesaw this week that have really brought a smile to my face - a budding actor in the making!</p>
<p><b>1 CHESTNUT</b></p> <p>Stanley Gallagher for recording an amazing news report on the Egg Box Dragon and how he helped the Queen by rescuing her biggest jewel from the Magpie’s nest. He was a fantastic news reader using lots of expression and presenting so well. Well done Stanley!</p>	<p><b>4 LARCH</b></p> <p>Emily Pugh for a fantastic piece of persuasive writing. Emily continues to work incredibly hard at home. It is always a pleasure to see her work. It is always done with great enthusiasm. Well done Emily - keep up the great work.</p>
<p><b>1 OAK</b></p> <p>Nicole Gelsthorpe for working so hard on ALL her writing this week. She wrote a wonderful letter to the Queen.</p>	<p><b>5 CHERRY</b></p> <p>Marianne Richardson for working so hard at every single task on Seesaw. Her work is always completed to a high standard and carefully presented. She responds to feedback and leaves positive comments for the staff.</p>
<p><b>1 PINE</b></p> <p>Matthew Derrick for writing, reading and recording a fabulous news report about Egg Box Dragon finding the Queen’s diamond which had been stolen by a magpie. We expect to see you on BBC news in the future Matthew!</p>	<p><b>5 WILLOW</b></p> <p>Tilly Hutchinson has impressed me over this half term with her beautifully presented work and her very positive attitude towards learning online. I particularly like how Tilly always takes the time to carefully produce all her work neatly on paper, which she then uploads on to her journal. Well done Tilly and thank you from the Year 5 adults for always having a lovely comment to brighten up our day!</p>
<p><b>2 CEDAR</b></p> <p>Adam Mazhar for completing all the work set on Seesaw and working hard on everything. He particularly enjoyed his investigation about what materials make a boat that floats.</p>	<p><b>6 HOLLY</b></p> <p>Martha Brown - she has really shone this week, making videos to present her amazing work, which have been fantastic to watch. She produced a wonderful sketch of a Spartan warrior and her response to our Music lesson. After listening to ‘Winter’ by Vivaldi, she wrote some lovely thoughts about how the music made her feel. Brilliant work this week Martha. Well done!</p>
<p><b>2 HAWTHORN</b></p> <p>Riya Kaur for fantastic work with all of her home learning tasks including lots of wonderful writing about our story Rabbit and Bear.</p>	<p><b>6 LAUREL</b></p> <p>Winnie Symes for working very hard in all of your lessons since we began home learning, particularly in English, in our Sherlock Holmes topic. In one of our lessons last week, you were asked to make inferences about Lord and Lady Stoughton.</p>
	<p><b>6 SYCAMORE</b></p> <p>Alex Armstrong for working incredibly hard in all subjects and responding well to feedback being given to him. Amazingly, not only is he doing well with schoolwork, he’s also found time to bake a delicious cake. Not all learning takes the form of written work. Well done to Alex.</p>



Naomi



Samuel



Nicole Gelsthorpe

Boat Observations Sheet			
Complete the following table to record your observations.			
What is your boat made from?	Describe your boat's material	What do you think will happen when your boat goes into the water?	Draw what happened after your boat had been in the water for 30 seconds
Foil	Water Proof	Float	
Papper	thin	Sink	
Fabric	FLUFF	Sink	

Adam Mazhar

Martha Brown

Emily Pugh

### Winter (Vivaldi)

The music made me feel cold, like I was out in the snow - all alone.

Ice was cracking. Snow was falling.

There were trees blowing from the never-ending wind, making it possible to lean on it.

I could feel a shiver inside me from the tune of the music, and the beat and sound.

For some reason it reminds me of a poem.

The sound melts like honey in your ear.

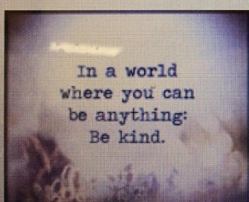
I can hear footsteps and movement.

The music makes me want to dance around the floor.

### Persuasive speech

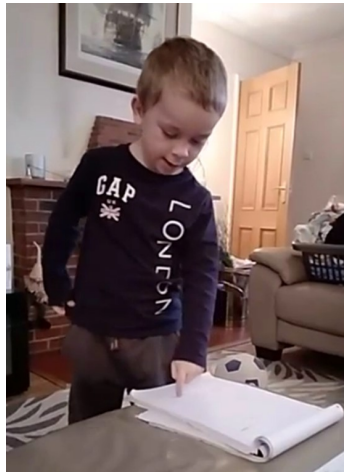
I have thought of some ways to improve are future. Firstly, give the little mice, rats and other little animals a home. If they are under 5 maybe read a bed time story and play with them. If they are over 5 let them go out and play with the little ones, cook for them and give them bathes. Let them play with others from outside the Nest. You could ask to make a climbing frame for them.

Be kind, be respectful, be helpful and be generous. You must give others food, grass, ants, anything but mice and rats, and anything in the Nest or outside. Most importantly, treat others how you would like to be treated.

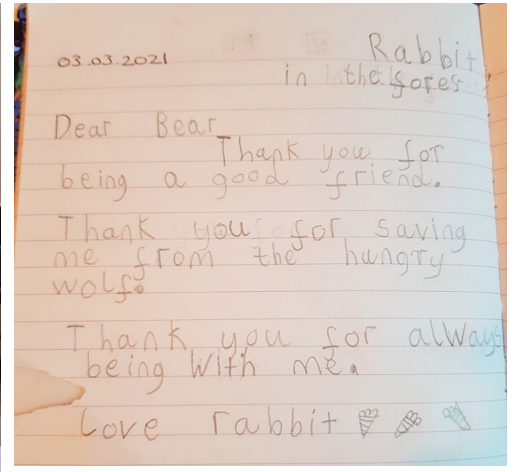




Stanley



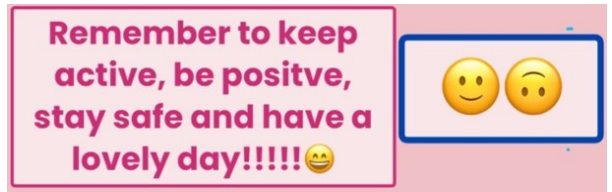
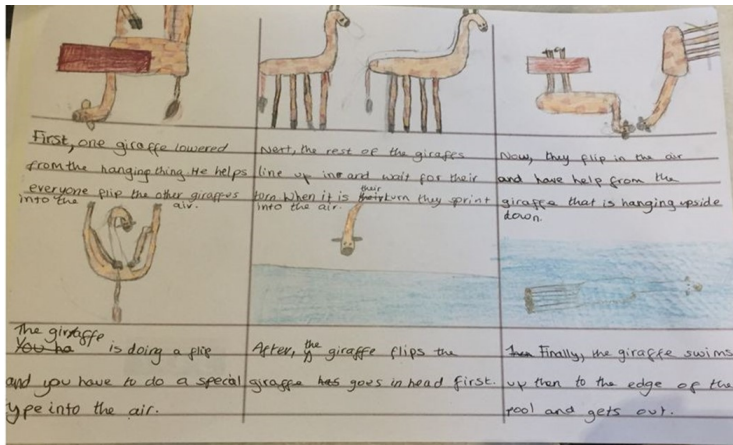
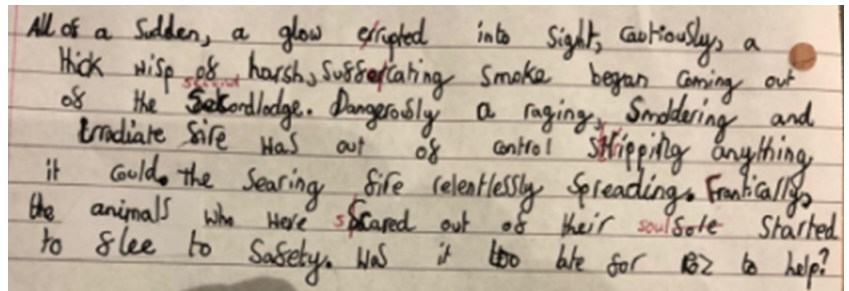
Matthew



Riya Kaur



Sam Darling



Marianne Richardson

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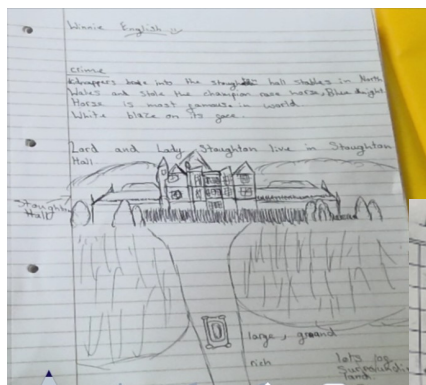
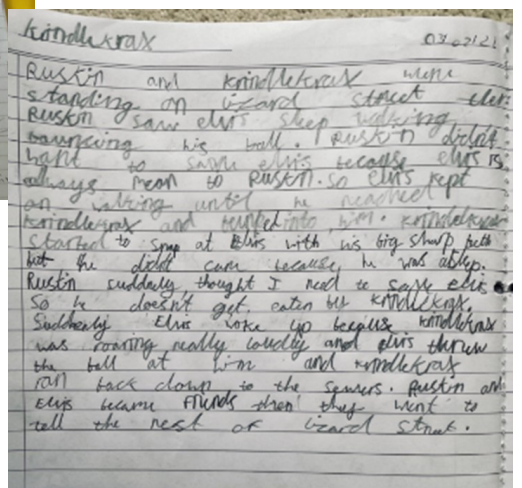
Thank you very much.

Also I am very proud of myself because I have read the second Harry Potter book and have started on the third Harry Potter book!!!

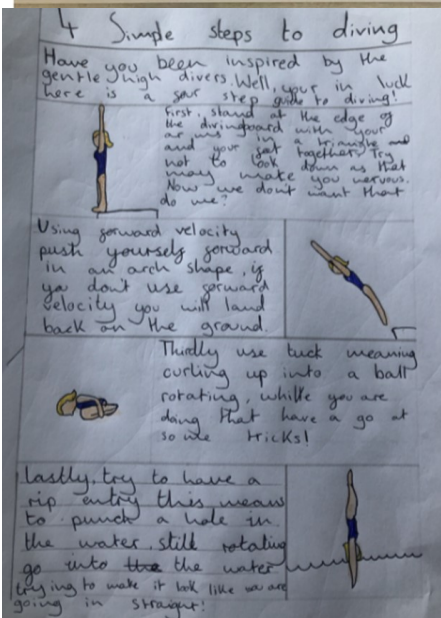
Have a lovely day!

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Martha Stringfellow



Winnie Symes



Tilly Hutchinson