

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 1st May 2020.

Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Staff,

I hope you are all well as we reach the end of another week. It looks like you have been very creative this week at home. Some most impressive model castles as part of class learning projects 'Castles, Turrets and Tunnels' as you will see from the photographs! What is really lovely is to see you all smiling, looking happy and well in your photographs. That is most reassuring and shows we are adapting to change. There will always be those tricky and unexpected days but on the whole we are showing resilience to bounce back, throughout the situation we find ourselves in. Keep going everyone – you are doing a great job!

Many of our children are using their interests and skills within their learning at home and having fun creating. We have some talented bakers making some delicious looking cakes, bakes and meals, shared through your photographs, as well as some talented artists.

As I mentioned last week, our teachers are embracing technology and digital learning, to support and connect with children and families while they are at home. We will continue to develop and use this way of teaching and learning.

We are here to help in any way we can so please let us know what would be useful to support your child and feedback on the activities sent each week. We are trying as much as possible to keep provision of EHCPs in place and adapt it to the home environment.

Through our check in, check up and check out system three times a week, we are staying connected with our families and love to hear how things are going and what our community is up to each week. This week we have some staff photographs included in the newsletter.

Please keep your photographs coming in and it would be great to have some from mums and dads too next week.

Have a good weekend. Stay safe and well,



Mrs Laura Ives
(Head of School)

Some of the great things that have been happening at home this week ...

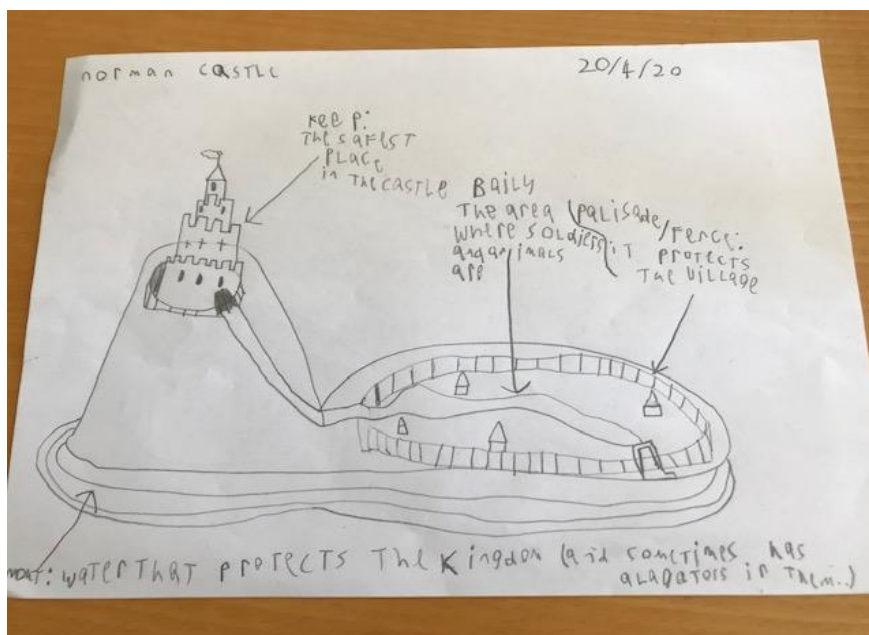
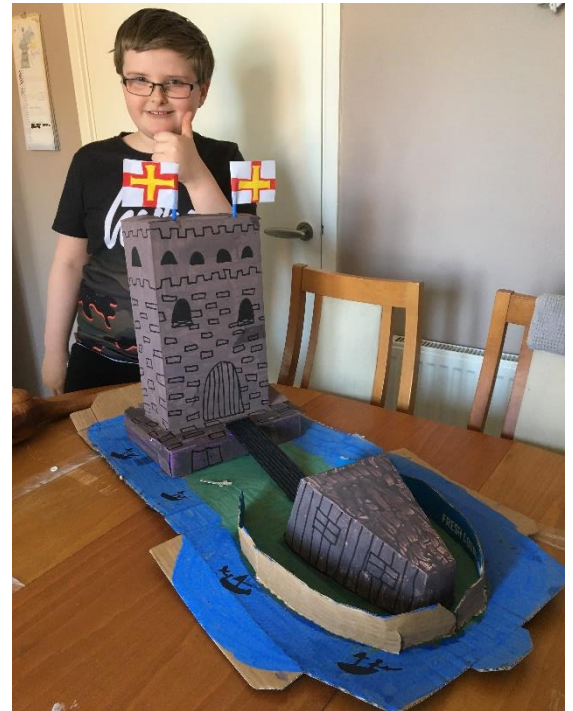
Castles everywhere!.....This week in squirrel, owl and hawks classes some extremely impressive model castles have been designed and built as part of the learning project 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets'.



Ollie has been very busy on his project, including designing and labelling parts of a castle. Most impressive!



A very professional looking model here from Rhys, complete with a drawbridge!



Henry has been fact finding and has labelled a very informative castle diagram.



Toby has created this fantastic castle built from Lego.



Jimmy made his castle model using technology through a game called 'Stronghold'.

A fabulous castle with a moat from Eloise.



A great example created here by Ms Miteva.

Charlie has made his castle with some impressive turrets.

Our younger children have been practising their letter formation and pencil control skills, concentrating very carefully...

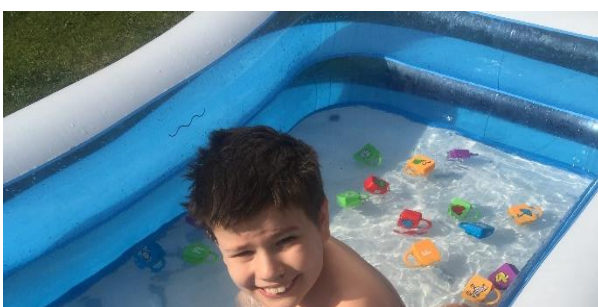


Well done Joshua and Ameen.

Fun has also been had in the garden, making the most of the sunny weather...



Morgan and his sister have been dressing up.
What a fantastic bike!



Toby has enjoyed relaxing in the pool.

We have some talented bakers at Medeshamstede....



Archie's pizzas look delicious!



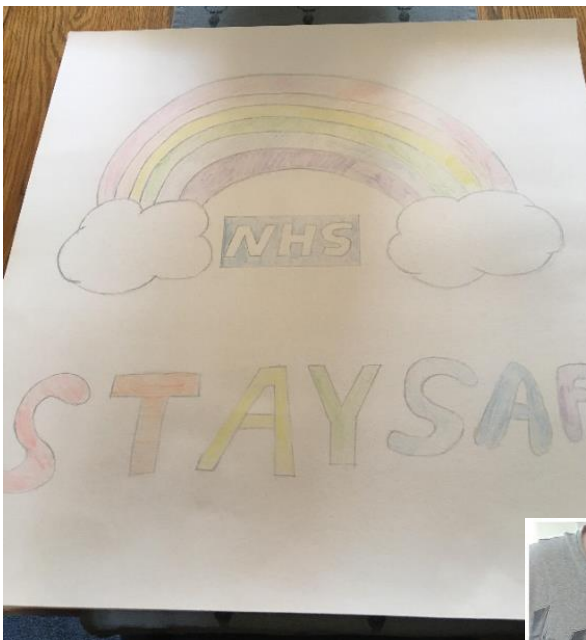
Henry has been baking and made a mouth-watering Oreo cheesecake.



Alastair proudly presents supper he made for the family



Ellie really looks the part in her apron.

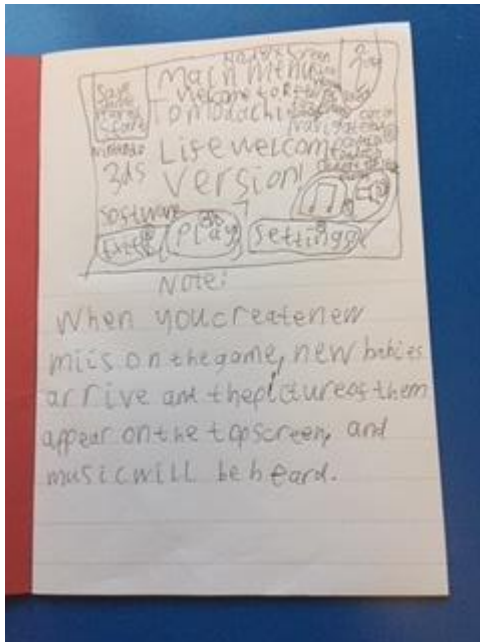


Ellie has also created this poster to thank our frontline NHS workers. Her cousin asked if she would make a poster which will be displayed on the trolleys at Tesco. Well done, Ellie.

Joshua is looking most professional here as he bakes Easter cakes.

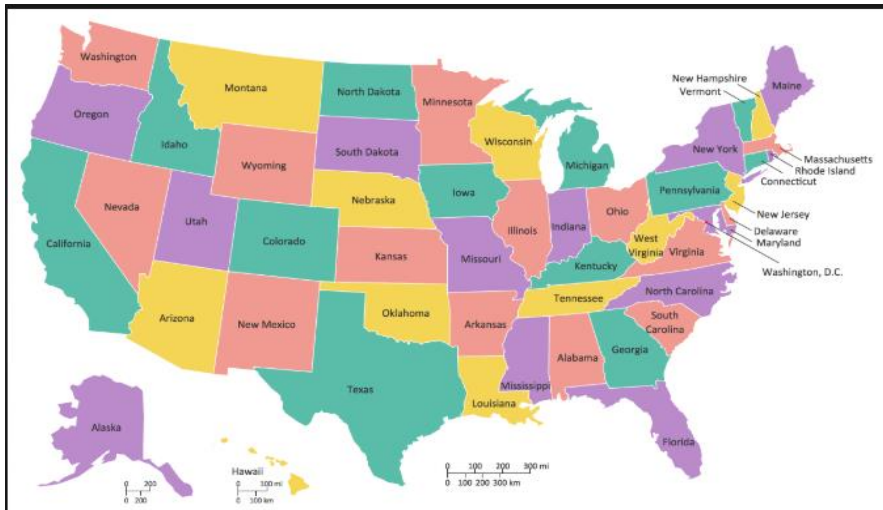


We are also enjoying using devices and technology to support our learning...



Edward is concentrating hard!

Rahul has written instructions for a game



As part of his class learning project 'Roadmap USA', Fraser has been finding all the names of the American states in this power point and where they are in the country.



One of my favourite photographs this week! As part of Mouse class' project 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures', Tommy made a foot scrub and is having a very relaxing pamper session!

What have our staff been up to ?



Ms Walker is growing plants and Ms Watson has been busy in the garden.

Many thanks to Mrs Plant who is delivering food parcels in the local area for the Community First Project



Ms Webster has completed mile 12 of her half marathon Challenge and is completing the last part at the weekend... she hopes to get a much deserved medal!



Ms Cave wished Henry and Rubi in Hawks class a happy birthday this week.

Mrs George's knitting needles have been clacking! Christmas jumper number four completed.



Our maths brain, Mrs Smith, is teaching herself to play the piano!



