

# Newsletter

Monday 30 March 2020

## NEW NEWSLETTER ITEMS

### Message for Parents/Carers

We hope you are all well and keeping safe. Unfortunately, we have all been thrown into shock by this pandemic. It has at times shown the worst of humanity with people panic buying and hoarding to the detriment of others - but it has also shown people at their best; offering such compassion to each other that it has left me astounded. I am sure you joined in the clapping/cheering for the NHS and carers on Thursday night and was moved by this. In school we have created a rainbow, bunting and a huge sign in our classroom windows to show our appreciation. It has also been lovely to see that the children at home have also joined in with this.



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It is such a strange time at the moment having just a few children in school. We hope that home schooling is going ok. We are aware that a number of parents are having to work from home whilst also trying to home school their children and appreciate this will be difficult. Please create your own schedule which fits in with your family routine and commitments. As much as possible, we have planned activities children will be able to be completed with minimal adult supervision. We would recommend that learning takes place in small chunks of 20 minutes punctuated by movement breaks. If children are finding it difficult to be motivated it often helps to adopt a 'now and next' approach. 'Now' you will do this task/block of learning and then 'next' you can choose an activity of your choice.

Please remember you can message teachers on Class dojo about any concerns and they will get back to you between the times of 9.00am – 3.30pm during week days. During the Easter holiday, teachers will not be setting any work or be in touch with you as we would like the children to feel that they are having a holiday (albeit a different type of one).

Key workers are still able to send their children into school during the holidays (except Good Friday and Easter Monday) so that they can continue to support the country in whichever way they do. During the Easter holiday, supervision will be provided by the Sports coaches.

I cannot stress enough that we are all here for you. We all want to support you and to support our children to thrive while we wait for the crisis to pass – which it will.

However, we need to take this virus seriously. "If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading". We need to stay within our family groups and stay away from vulnerable people by social distancing and this advice includes children being very sensible and social distancing from their friends which we know is going to be challenging for them.

### Stay at Home Super Heroes

Thank you to all of those stay at home super heroes. In order to help you further more links to websites to help with learning have been provided on the 'home learning' pencil on the website - <https://www.milton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk/home-learning>. A fantastic maths link (White Rose) has been added (teachers may have already added it to class dojo also), which provides daily maths lessons for each year group with videos walking the children through what they need to do.

There are also many classes being posted online to help during this time. Please see to the right.

## FREE CELEBRITY CLASSES FOR KIDS IN LOCKDOWN

9:00	<b>PE WITH JOE WICKS</b> YOUTUBE.COM/THEBODYCOACH
10:00	<b>MUSIC WITH MYLEENE KLASS</b> YOUTUBE/MYLEENESMUSICKLASS
11:00	<b>SCIENCE WITH MADDIE MOATE</b> YOUTUBE.COM/MADDIEMOATE
11:30	<b>DANCE WITH OTI MABUSE</b> YOUTUBE.COM/OTIMABUSEOFFICIAL
13:00	<b>MATHS WITH CAROL VORDERMAN</b> THEMATHSFACTOR.COM
14:00	<b>HISTORY WITH DAN SNOW</b> TV.HISTORYHIT.COM
15:00	<b>ENGLISH WITH DAVID WALLIAMS</b> WORLDOFDAVIDWALLIAMS.COM
17:30	<b>FOOD TECH WITH JAMIE OLIVER</b> CHANNEL4.COM/KEEPCOOKINGANDCARRYON



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## UPDATED NEWSLETTER ITEMS



### Easter Activities with a difference...

Easter is fast approaching and although most of the children aren't in school we have been thinking of ways the children can still continue to do some of the ideas at home.

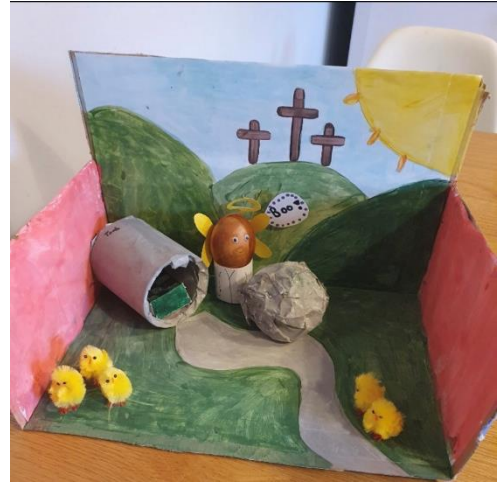
### Easter Cross

The week before Easter is called Holy Week. For Christians, these can feel like dark days as we remember the events in Jesus' life before he was put to death on a cross. The Bible tells us that he died on a cross for us. The cross is a sacred symbol for Christians. All over the world believers have created special designs which reflect their own lives and experiences. Can your child decorate a cross and send a picture to either their class teacher or [admin@milton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk](mailto:admin@milton-st-johns.tameside.sch.uk) so that we can add some pictures to the newsletter next week? We attached some ideas about the different types of crosses across the world for the children to see to last week's newsletter.



### Decorated Eggs/ Easter Bonnet

We would love the children to still do a decorated egg or an Easter Bonnet at home and send us a picture! Have fun and be creative! Thank you to those that have sent in pictures of their creations already!!



### Easter Egg Hunt

Could the children draw some pictures of eggs and get parents to hide them in the garden? Could you add clues to help the hunter find them? Again we would love to see any photos of your egg hunt.

Other things for parents to use if needed to help them during this period...

### Chase the Rainbow

Some of you may have seen on facebook a 'chase the rainbow' campaign which invites families to make a rainbow to put in a window and brighten the community. These can then be viewed by the children when they go on social distancing walks around the community. Our 'Stay at School Superheroes' have been busy making ours and it can be seen on the above photos.



During the Lent period we think about self-control and willpower. How can we demonstrate this in our daily lives?

Please also find below a 30 day Lego challenge which may be useful.

# 30 Day LEGO Challenge

Follow the instructions for each day. The only rule is to have fun and use your imagination!

Day 1		Day 2		Day 3		Day 4	
You were hired by an amusement park to create a new roller coaster.		NASA needs you to build a new rocket.		Your parents want to build a new home and they want you to build it.		Hollywood hires you to build a movie set for a new Star Wars movie.	
Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11	
You enter a contest to build the world's tallest tower. Will you win?	You are stuck on Mars and need to build a new ship to get home.	Ford hires you to create the toughest pick up truck in the world.	You and 4 friends are stranded on an island. Build a boat to find a way home.	Captain Hook needs a new pirate ship and wants you to build it.	You and your friends decide to build a tree house.	Prince Charming hires you to build a castle for him & Cinderella.	
Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 15	Day 16	Day 17	Day 18	
Dr. Who hires you to build a new TARDIS.	You are asked by the President to build a new monument to George Washington.	Mr. Hilton hires you to build a new hotel.	There is a circus in town. Build a place for the performance.	Help your fellow pioneers build a wagon to make it across the country.	Build the fastest car around and join the big car race.	Do you wanna build a snowman? Get in the winter mood and build a snow scene.	
Day 19	Day 20	Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24	Day 25	
The city wants you to build a bridge to connect one side of the town to the other.	Pizza party! It is up to you to make a pizza for all the guests.	You are hired to build a brand new hospital.	The fence is broke and the dog keeps escaping. Build one he can't get out of.	You are now in medieval times. You are commissioned to build a jousting arena.	The local bank keeps getting robbed. Build a safe no one can crack.	Design and build your dream bedroom.	
Day 26	Day 27	Day 28	Day 29	Day 30			What was your favorite day?
You are elected ruler. Build a flag for your land.	Aliens are invading and you need to build a war robot to defeat them.	The aliens have taken over. They are impressed by your robot. They want you build one for them.	You are hired to build a house entirely out of yellow Legos.	There is blizzard. You will need to build a snowmobile.			

There is also a born to be adventurous activity sheet below for information.

# 28 Days of Activities

activities to keep busy during school closures from Covid-19 outbreak

<b>DAY 1</b> Create a journal with your child to record each days activity. They can decorate the front page.	<b>DAY 2</b> Take a pail outside and collect rocks. Bring them inside to paint (can make flower designs, monsters etc.)	<b>DAY 3</b> Design a fairy house or superhero layer. Draw it out first and then make it with various craft materials.	<b>DAY 4</b> Make some ecards and send them to people to help them from feeling lonely. <a href="https://pbskids.org/daniel/games/make-a-card">https://pbskids.org/daniel/games/make-a-card</a>	<b>DAY 5</b> Create tic tac toe game on the ground with tape, string, or chalk and use a ball or frisbee to play.	<b>DAY 6</b> Bake Cookies and enjoy a playdate over Skype with a friend and their kids.	<b>DAY 7</b> Movie Day. Give yourself a big long break and watch a movie. (Do this anyway to keep your sanity)
<b>DAY 8</b> Set up a tent of a fort inside or in the backyard. Then, let the kids play.	<b>DAY 9</b> Drive to a local trail and take a walk or a hike.	<b>DAY 10</b> Print off a nature scavenger hunt or a colour nature scavenger hunt from on-line and go exploring	<b>DAY 11</b> Have a picnic lunch in a field, backyard or on a trail.	<b>DAY 12</b> Take a pail outside and collect pinecones and sticks. Paint the pinecones and attach the sticks to create flowers.	<b>DAY 13</b> Create a story. For inspiration, write a story about one of the characters on this page!	<b>DAY 14</b> Break Day. Connect with a friend over the phone while the kids entertain themselves or watch a show.
<b>DAY 15</b> Have a campfire in the backyard or go to a local picnic spot to set one up.	<b>DAY 16</b> Go for a bike ride. Make sure to bring lots of snacks and water.	<b>DAY 17</b> Go geocaching. Download one of the free apps. Use gloves to handle the geocache if your concerned about contact	<b>DAY 18</b> Print off a nature scavenger hunt or a colour nature scavenger hunt from on-line and go exploring	<b>DAY 19</b> Collect nature items like twigs, pine cones, flowers etc and make nature crowns! Or make crowns out of paper at home.	<b>DAY 20</b> Photo Fun. Go outside and take only 10 photos. Print the photos off and attach them to your journal. Then, write about why you chose the photos.	<b>DAY 21</b> Surprise food creation. Let your kids create a food dish on their own with whatever foods they want to mix together.
<b>DAY 22</b> Go outside for a family run.	<b>DAY 23</b> Go on a backyard bug hunt or bird watching adventure.	<b>DAY 24</b> Make a bunch of different paper airplanes. Then go outside and see which ones fly farthest.	<b>DAY 25</b> Make your own upcycle geocache	<b>DAY 26</b> Play a Boardgame or build a puzzle.	<b>DAY 27</b> Go for a walk and play eye spy.	<b>DAY 28</b> Play balloon Volleyball.

Connect and share your activities and stories by tagging **@borntobeadventurous on Instagram** or messaging **@borntobeadventurous on Facebook**.



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