Hi Alfie, Archie, Cole, Davy-Jae, Emmanuel, Ethan, Evie, Faith, Faye, George G, George K, Harrison, Harry, Isaac, Jack, Jake B, Jake C, Jensen, Kai, Katie, Kieran, Lewis, Lottie, Lucy, Ollie, Oliver, Ryan, Tyler and William

I hope that you are all keeping well. The sunny weather is back! I hope you enjoyed having time with friends and family, now that regulations are being relaxed slightly. I really want to encourage you to keep going with your learning, and with staying positive. This won't last forever!

Just a reminder my email is d.bateman@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk

I've missed receiving some of your work. Not many of you have written back or sent me what you've been up to. It really does cheer me up seeing what you are all up to. Having social distanced for 12 weeks, I'm now in school every day in Bubble 3 and I'm seeing a few of you more often which is lovely. Why not write me a letter and post it to school or drop me an email letting me know what you've been up to? Please maintain the fantastic progress you've all made this year. Keep on with daily reading; keep on with the Maths and English home learning; then choose different subjects each day (it doesn't have to be the exact home learning tasks from this week, you could complete challenges from previous weeks). Don't forget to send me what you've done.

In the TTRS battles since the last newsletter, Jensen is still reigning champion, but it's been fantastic to see more people participating. Well done to Alfie, Emmanuel, George G, George K, Jensen, Katie, Lottie, Lucy, and Ryan for joining in. On the 18th June battle, Jensen came 1st, Lucy came 2nd and George K came 3rd. On the 25th June battle, Jensen came 1st, Lucy came 2nd and Alfie came 3rd. I look forward to next week's battle. This week I answered 89 questions in a minute when in the studio! I was so excited. Those children in Bubble 3 can confirm it!

Since the last newsletter, I have really enjoyed doing maintenance on my bike. I've changed my back wheel, cleaned the back sprocket, changed my brake system and put new tape on my handlebars. It is so nice 'getting to know' my bike and how it works. And because of my enjoyment in repairing mine, a friend has asked me to fix his old bike. And when I say old, I mean the bike has rust and I've had to take the whole thing apart, clean everything with a scrubbing brush and begin to put it all back together. I am really enjoying doing it. I've included pictures of some of the parts. I soaked them in Coke and you can see the transformation. I've also begun cycling more. I've stopped doing the Guild

Wheel and started cycling to Lytham and back. I've also started cycling different ways home from school (on one day, I ended up at Blackpool and on another, I ended up near Owd Nell's tavern). We had a nice Fathers' Day with Michelle's parents, who live in Preston. We had a socially distant BBQ under a canopy we built in case it rained.

Something I'm now super excited for is my summer camping holiday. We booked to go to Keswick before Covid arrived and so when lockdown was announced, we crossed our fingers and hoped that we'd still be able to go away. But with the announcement this week, we've had the 'green light' for our holiday. It prompted me to tidy our loft and sort out all our camping gear. It was sweaty work!

Let me know what you've been up to. I really do enjoy reading your letters and seeing the pictures you've been sending. From the 26th June there is a Community Gateway Uniform bank starting with various drop off points around the city (school is not one). Please see the website for more details.

You can email me at <u>d.bateman@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk</u>

Keep your heads up. Please continue to stay safe and make wise choices. Enjoy the nice weather. Love and prayers.

Mr B

