

Hi Elliot, Sienna, Shae, Jackson, Isaac, Mia, Elissa, Amelia, Kayla, Erin, Cole, Ryan, Jack, Oliver, Harvey, Isaac, Ruby, Lucas, William, Lola. Kai, Olivia, Katie, Faye, Isaac, Jessica, Emmanuel, Lucy, Kara, Harry and Mia!

Hey team! I hope you are all well. It was great to see so many of you on Zoom. I know it's not what we'd hope for, but seeing you all really did lift my spirits so thank you. This last year has proved how resilient and courageous you all are. You should be really proud of how you have continually adapted to an unprecedented rate of change.

Just a reminder that my email address is d.bateman@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk and you can contact me to show me the work you've been doing (photos are fine), you can ask any questions about your learning, you can request a printed paper copy of learning or you can just get in touch to say "Hello!"

With regards to Home Learning, I hope you have been enjoying the books we have been focussing on. I am trying to keep learning relevant and current to what we would have been doing in school. It is really important that you continue with learning at home, amidst all its challenges but I really don't want you to lose momentum with the progress you have made already. Remember to complete your work in your Lockdown Learning book (if you do work on a sheet then please stick it in).

Look out as well for Mrs Edmond's 'Doodle for the Day' on the Class Home Learning Page which will keep appearing as we both know how enthusiastic you are with your art and drawing.

With regards to non-school life, I have been back in the garden (this feels like déjà vu!) It's amazing to think about what our garden looked like this time last year to what it does now. Michelle and I have now put in some fences at the bottom of our garden and I have created a path to get to our shed. The only downside was doing it in the rain which meant very muddy wellies and very muddy

waterproofs! However, it is encouraging to see things moving slowly forward. The rain also means I'm needing to wear full waterproofs when I'm cycling to work, even on my feet! It's cold and rainy but I'm just thankful I can get a bit of normality and routine.

I've started cooking more again which is a really lovely way to spend time with Shell and also to relax. I've included some photos of what I've been making. It has been really enjoyable to have good food and then to sit by our fire and feel all cosy. We have also cooked for our friends and then we have Facetimed while we ate. We found that it was a small way to remember that we can still connect with those we love, even if it's not easy right now.

Mrs Edmonds has been on daily walks round Haslam Park. Maybe you could see the tracks she's made, given she's walked round so much! She has also baked a birthday cake for Miss Wilson, it was delicious! Other than that, she's been doing home learning with Dora and has a lot of empathy for your mums and dads. She has also been taking many photos of trees then painting them.

This week's quote is from Martin Luther King Jr. the famous Christian civil rights activist. I really like this quote as it encourages you to look for the positive amidst the negative. I personally love star gazing, but I can only do it when there is darkness. What are you appreciative of? What are the stars that you see right now?



Please continue to stay safe. We can't wait to see you all soon.

Mr Bateman & Mrs Edmonds



A methi chicken curry and a USA barbecue

The mirror we have hung in our front room



We have turned our 'box room' into a music 'studio'



The work I've done in the shed



The path I built



What our garden looks like now



What it used to look like

