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Tuesday 12th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this letter finds you and your family in good health and consciousness.

Possible opening of schools

I am sure, like all of us, you were all tuned into our Prime Ministers address on Sunday. Amongst other things, he mentioned the possible opening of schools for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils as early as 1st June, although it is conditional. Again, like us, you will also have many questions, however it is all a little vague at this moment and we are waiting on further clarity from the government about what this means for our school. In the short term, nothing has changed, and we will provide further information in the coming days and weeks once we are able to do so.

A month of mercy

Whilst our Muslim neighbours observe the month of Ramadan under lockdown, I wanted to share a token of appreciation from a Muslim colleague who had a profound realisation about this merciful month. "During this month of fasting, we open our daily prayer to the Almighty Lord and thank Him for all that we have both materially and spiritually but we show deeper gratitude for the time that we have with each other, for this may not come again in the same way". Although these are testing times on a number of levels including financial, mental, social, we have all been forced to become more mindful of our relationships with an opportunity to appreciate simple activities such as eating together. Similarly, one of our budding learners in year 2 (Hari Priya 2FF) wrote a synonymous prayer to Lord Jagannath:







Inusany Dear Jaganath I didn't want to miss the smanayatra or the Rathyatra but the coronavirus will Soon end and hope sully I will be able to see you again, I want to thank you for making the coronal inus so we can spend time with our gamilies. Love Harprya XXX

Google Classroom and Online Lessons

Thank you for your continued support and engaging with the learning that has been planned and delivered for your child(ren). We appreciate that despite being in lockdown for 7 weeks, families continue to juggle with use of devices, daily routines and so it is not always possible to engage with the learning during the day. We really appreciate your hard work in encouraging your children to complete daily tasks on google classroom and to take part in the live zoom calls.

We also recognise that children have missed a chunk of PRE (Philosophy, Religion and Ethics) learning since March 23rd. Mr Ananda and Mr Koorichh have set a project for all children to complete by the end of May, however from this Friday, 15th May, Mr Ananda will now be setting PRE specific work which will be uploaded every Friday onto google classroom to be completed by the following week.







Home learning links

A few weeks ago, we shared some fun science learning that could be done at home. Please follow the link to find some more science goodies created by the University of Birmingham: <u>https://chembam.com/home-learning/</u>

The Nancy Rothwell Award - You may also be interested in the Royal Society of Biology's specimen drawing competition, 'The Nancy Rothwell Award' which is open to children aged 7-11 years. Further information including past winners and how to enter can be found here. Closing date for entries is 31 July 2020.

If you fancy dabbling into the world of David Walliams with one free audio book reading available to listen to everyday:

https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/

A daily newsletter for parents and carers at home with children, helping to enrich learning with real-world knowledge and skills:

https://theday.co.uk/subscriptions/the-day-home (please note for this, registration is required).

Or try story time with Nick: <u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDe74j1F52zQ51fqNpKV07E71knNl8HFn</u> Who shares films of well-loved stories read by Nick Cannon, a trained actor, teacher and trainer available Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2pm.

Free School Meals

Some of you have contacted Mr Koorichh regarding your e-voucher for last week (week beginning 4th May). Unfortunately, there seems to be a delay from their side (Edenred). You may have seen on the news that there have been many complaints re: the Edenred voucher system and criticisms of its website service. I can assure you that as a school, we have processed your vouchers from our side but will continue to work with the Government commissioned Agency and yourselves to ensure that our children are not losing out on valuable support. Please do continue to liaise with Mr Koorichh who is currently looking into individual cases.







Celebrating children's excellent work

Thank you so much to all the wonderful work that is being submitted via google classroom. We are so proud to see our children being so resilient and creative. Here are some examples of the brilliant learning happening at home:

EYFS (Reception) RLL

Asshi and Haima have both been doing a range of activities at home and have independently taken an interest in their learning at home.









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Aashi Hirani used role play to pretend to be a shopkeeper and learned about money, identifying coins and adding amounts. She also carried out science experiments at home with her brother and used her phonics to write up her experiment.

Haima Paretha has shown us various types of work on EEXAT, she has used her imagination to create different artwork, using junk modelling and a range of media/ materials.

EYFS (Reception) RBB

Tia Parmar has been working extremely hard at home and we have seen a variety of work uploaded on EEXAT. Tia has focused on writing independently and has been practicing using coins. We are very proud of Tia and all the amazing work that she has done every day. The confidence in your writing is really showing – keep it up!



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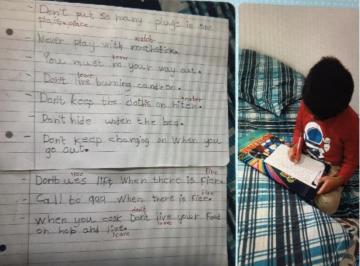




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Jivaansh Bhatt continues to impress us with all his hard work on EEXAT. We are very proud of how much writing Jivaansh has done and how neat his handwriting is. We love the variety of home learning we see every day from Jivaansh and his exciting activities that help him to learn especially his creative work! Keep up the amazing enthusiasm in your learning. Well done!











Year 1

These are diary entries written by Aran Trivedi and Puja Kotecha from (1DD). They wrote about their adventure when they went on a bear hunt as our key text is 'We're going on a bear hunt'. Miss Patel was first off the mark to celebrate your fantastic masterpieces!

Aran Trivedi (1DD)

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Puja Kotecha (1DD)

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	Love Ruja







Year 3

Year 3 were given the task of writing their own version of the King Midas Story. **Ella Goodhead** in 3GG wrote a fabulous piece that will engage readers of all ages!

The Foodie Touch

Once upon a time, there was a King called King Dixious. He was a rude and selfish person and he didn't like people who didn't like him. He was always hungry and was secretly called King "Fat fatty fat". King Dixious lived in the most beautiful and shiniest palace in the land with his faithful servant, Ellious. It was so bright that if you visited you would need sunglasses.

One day King Dixious wanted a wish so he called the God Venom. Suddenly a luminous ray beamed out of the sky "I am God Venom who are you?" said a booming voice "I am King DDDDixious and I wwwwish thththat what ever I tttttouch turns into food!" he stuttered. "Your wish is my command" said God Venom knowingly "I am only granting your wish because you need to learn a lesson."

The next day King Dixious woke up feeling hungry but as soon as he tried to turn his clock off it turned into a sandwich! "Yummy!" the king said. The king enjoyed the wish very much but he could not interact with other people because if he touched them they would turn into his favourite food!

Many days later the king accidentally touched his most faithful servant and at that instant he turned into a delicious giant mozzarella stick. "NNNNOOOOO!" King Dixious cried, he was so sad he fled to the God Venom "Please take back the wish!" King Dixious begged. "I can not do that!" said the God, "but if you survive two days without turning anything into food, your wish will be granted!"

The King was very happy and determined to do what the God had asked. The King survived both of the two days without touching anybody or anything. He realised he had been greedy and rude and also saw the consequences of wishes. So he changed his behavior and became the best king ever. From then on,the king no longer had the foodie touch and everything was back to normal. (Ella Goodhead)







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Some more from the RA Young Art Competition:



Sianna Patel 3GG







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Riya Trivedi 3GG









Hope you enjoy and learn from the E-Safety posters created by year 3 children in 3GG:

Tanay Rajput



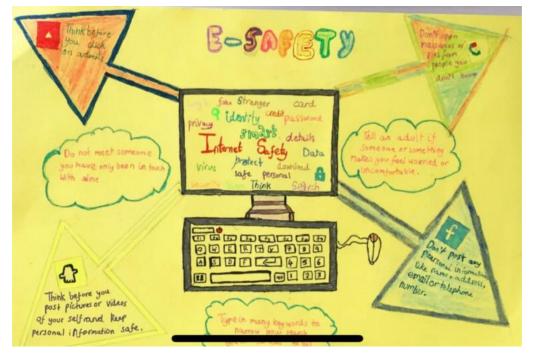
Dhruv Sidapara







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Heli Patel

Thank you once again for all your support.

Very best wishes to you all and Hare Krishna!

Mrs Bellare

Principal



