



WHITLEIGH PRIMARY NEWS

*'Children at the heart of the school
School at the heart of the community.'*

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A message from Mr Summerfield

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week the children have been taking part in Children's Mental Health Week and have been doing a range of activities both at home and at school. Well done to all of the children who have found creative ways to express themselves. It has been lovely to see the art work, cooking (those brownies look lush!), music, dancing and work the children have completed to celebrate and raise awareness of positive mental health.

Twitter

Over the upcoming months we will be using twitter more and more to update parents of the activities and learning children are doing in school. Please set up a twitter account and follow us [@whitleighpri](https://twitter.com/whitleighpri)

Live Teaching Zooms

Please can I reiterate the importance of joining the live zooms or at least watching the recorded teach prior to children turning in work. We are getting a number of children turning in work prior to any teach being watched and then we are having to send the work back with lots of misconceptions to correct. We covering our normal curriculum and therefore the teach part of the lesson is vital.

Lateral Flow Testing

As you are aware, all staff are taking twice weekly lateral flow tests. I am delighted to inform you that all tests taken to date have returned a negative result.

Get Help with Technology

To date, we have loaned several laptops, data SIM cards to families that require additional support with technology. If you need additional support please contact the school so that we can help your child access online learning.

Half Term...

Guidance was released from the Department for Education this week stating **that all schools will close as usual over February half-term** and are not expected to remain open to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers during that week. The school will continue to follow the agreed term dates, unless we receive a further directive from the DfE. Remote learning will not be set for your children during half term.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Mr G Summerfield

Head Teacher

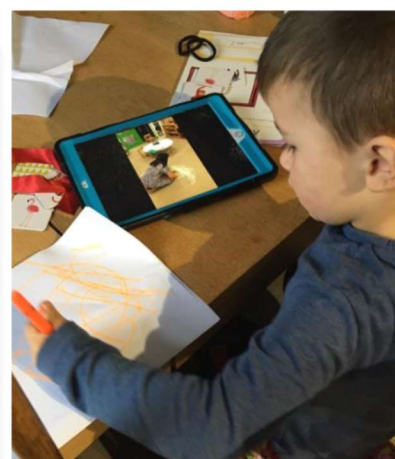
EXPRESS YOURSELF

#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek

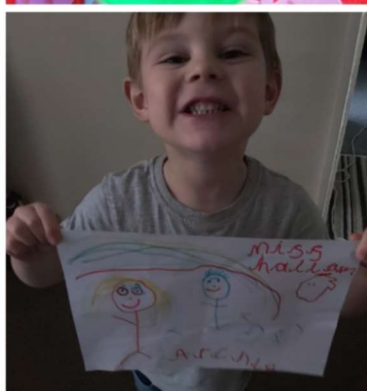


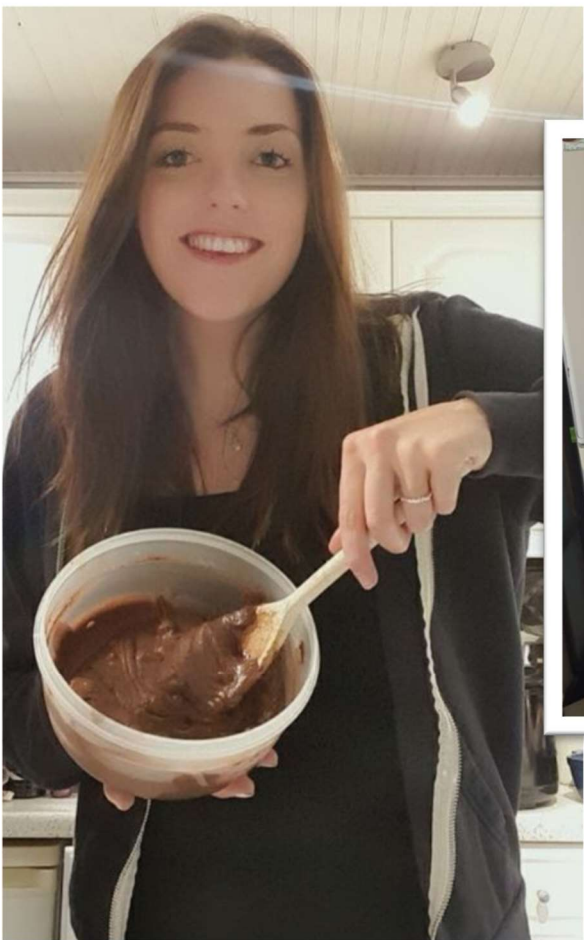
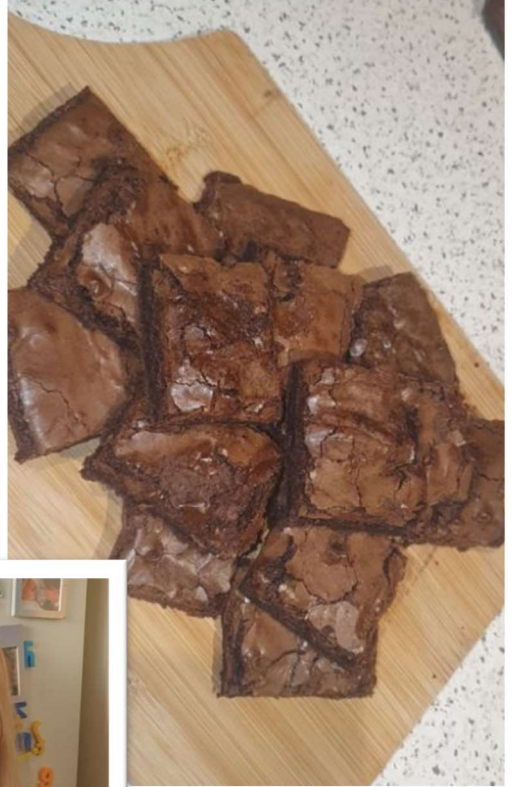
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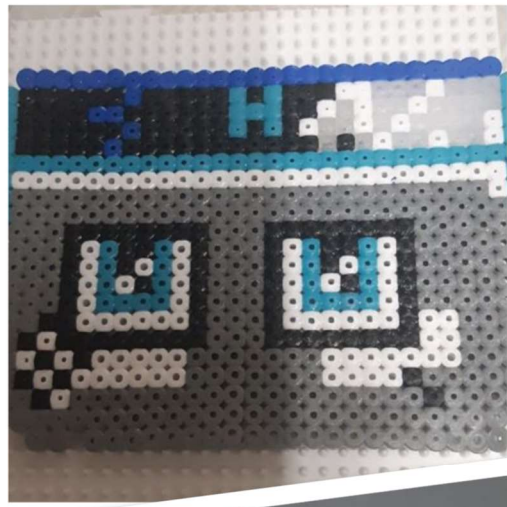
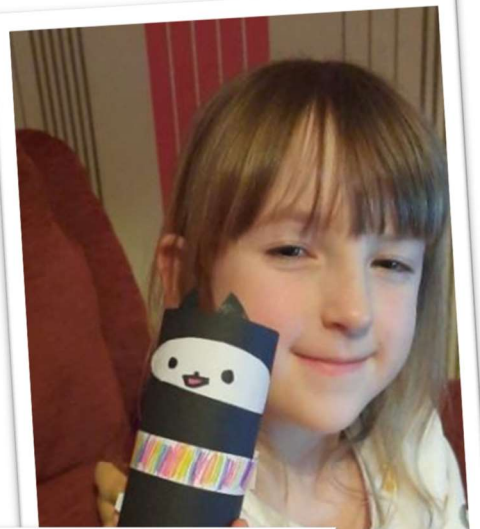
From 1-7th February 2021 we are taking part in Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is Express Yourself. Here are some of the fantastic things the children have been doing this week



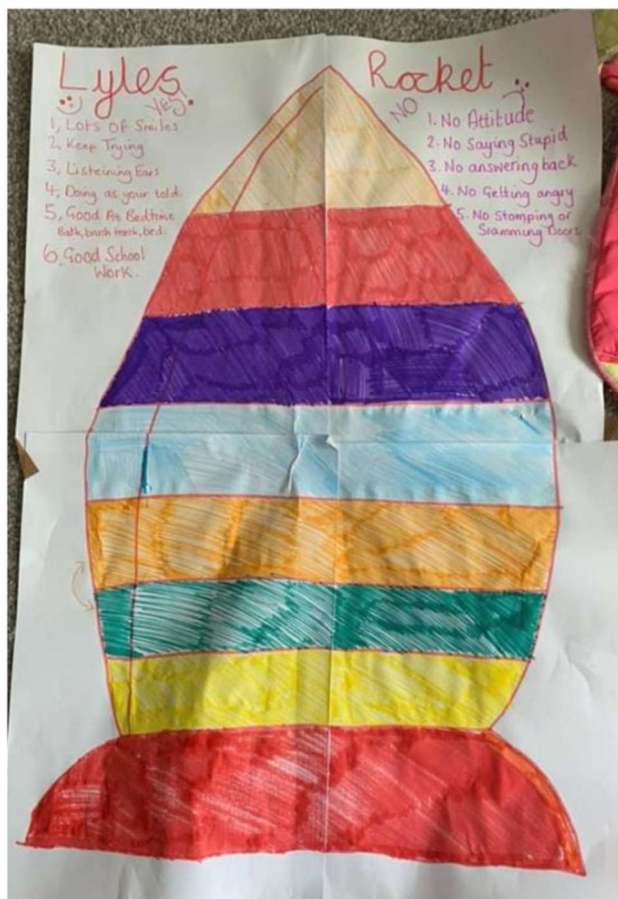
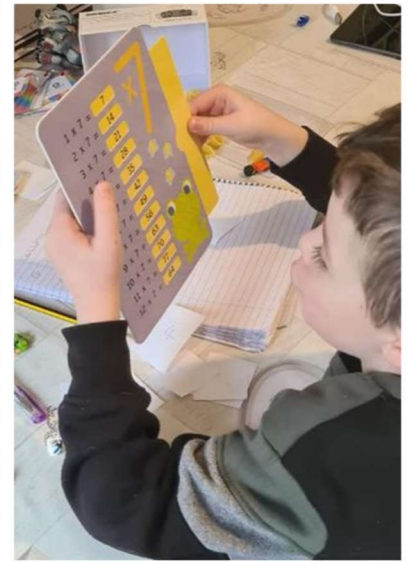
Archie has done his jar with things he wants to do each day & made miss hallam a picture to make her happy.

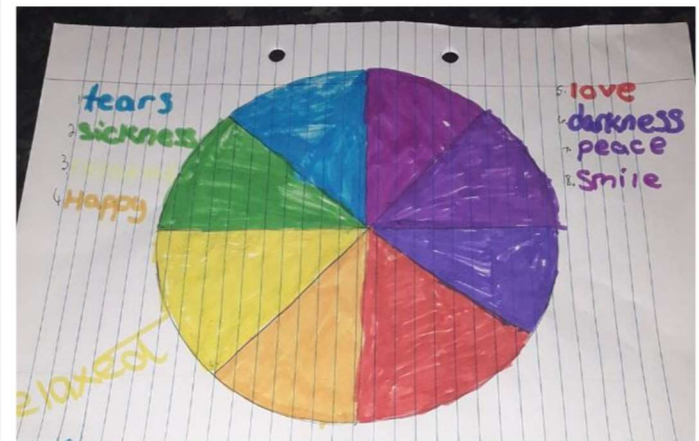
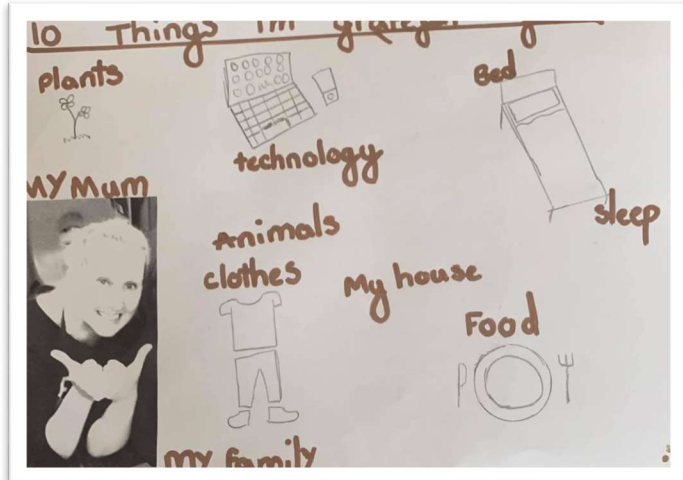
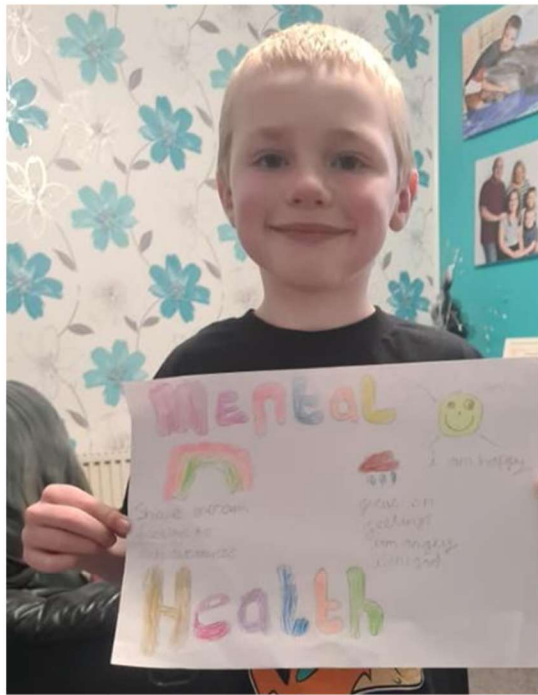


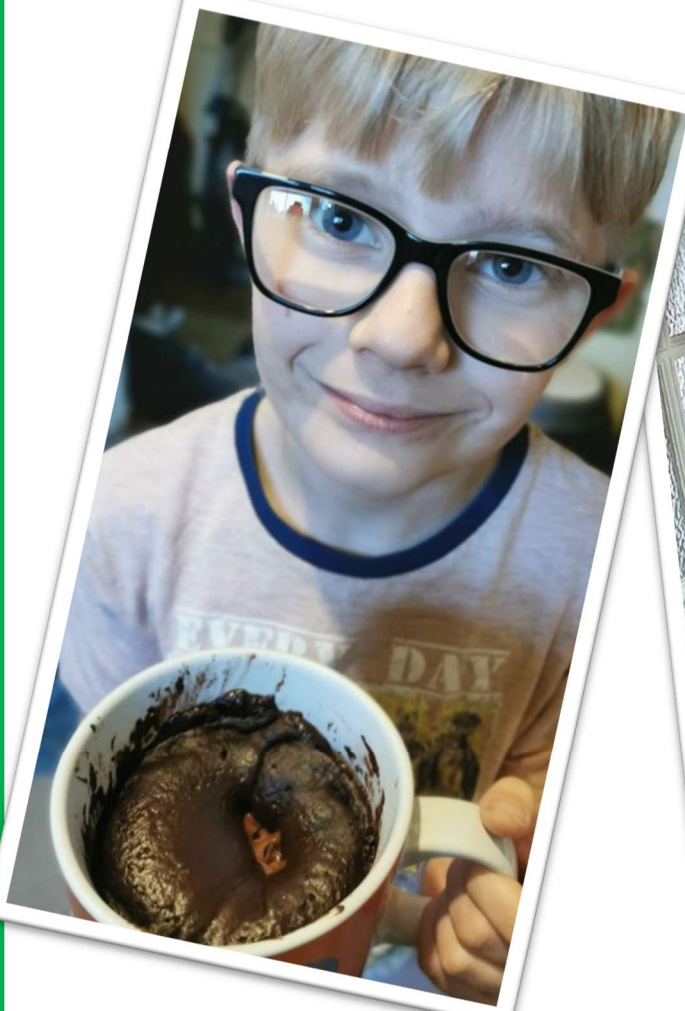




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4	4	$4 \times 10 = 40$
5	5	$5 \times 10 = 50$
6	6	$6 \times 10 = 60$
7	7	$7 \times 10 = 70$
8	8	$8 \times 10 = 80$
9	9	$9 \times 10 = 90$
10	10	$10 \times 10 = 100$
11	11	$11 \times 10 = 110$
12	12	$12 \times 10 = 120$
13	13	$13 \times 10 = 130$











Whitleigh word of the week

Each week in school we focus on one word to enrich the children's vocabulary. We encourage the children to use this word in their writing and when working across other subjects in class.

This week's
word was:

'On the ball.'

Next week's idiom is:

'Down to the wire.'

When we say something is 'down to the wire' we mean that the outcome is not clear until the very end.

For example, a decision could be made at the last possible moment, or the winner of a race may not be known until the very last second.

Another phrase with a similar meaning is: 'last minute'.

Week 4 League Tables for Timestables Rockstars



Coins earned in the last 7 days

Year 4,5 & 6

Name	Class	Coins
Taylor M	6PR	254,940
Pauline I	5RT	18,616
Chloe R	6PS	15,031
Phoebe B	5RT	11,582
Danon T	5RT	10,987

Year 3

Name	Class	Coins
Charlie H	3RH	12,325
Jack R	3BR	6,225
Sophie H	3BR	5,511
Phoebe I	3BR	5,250
James P	3RH	5,182

Year 2

Name	Class	Coins
Paris R	2KE	12,706
Kendra D	2KE	4,100
Sienna B	2SW	2,130
Abbie J	2SW	1,690
Yasmin W	2SW	1,565



All Time Total Coins

Year 2

Name	Class	Coins
Paris R	2KE	223,742
Kendra D	2KE	128,358
Ellie-Mae P	2SW	45,460
James C	2SW	40,120
Callum SR	2KE	30,048

Year 3

Name	Class	Coins
Charlie H	3RH	919,814
Layla S	3RH	366,029
Charlotte B	3RH	217,882
Jack R	3BR	126,362
Archie B	3BR	126,362

Year 4

Name	Class	Coins
Blake G	4PB	389,208
Lottie H	4PB	341,322
Emmie T	4PB	235,234
Honey M	4PB	174,460
Savannah KS	4PB	164,039

Year 5 and 6

Name	Class	Coins
Pauline I	5RT	1,269,107
Aoife M	6PS	1,108,536
Conner B	6PR	639,239
Peter I	5SG	552,254
Elijah B	6PS	533,621

Renaissance Reading Results

Week ending: **Friday 29th January 2021**

Whole School Figures	
Word count for the whole school	Total quizzes passed this week
320,304	72/76

Class Success		
Top class Quizzers of the week	Top class word count of the week KS1	Top class word count of the week KS2
1st 2SW 18/18 2nd 5SG 11/12 3rd 3BR 10/11	2SW 35,501	5DT 122,663

Individual Success		
Top pupil for word count lower years	Top pupil for word count middle years	Top pupil for quizzes passed
James C 30,239	Pauline I 71,298	Hope B 6/6

STAR LEARNERS Week 5		
Class	Child	
RK	Joshua	Joshua is always ready and excited to learn during our Live Zoom Lessons. I think he has attended nearly every single one! I was also very lucky to be able to join in with his reading zoom lesson with Miss Hallam and I was blown away by how much progress he is making with his Reading. Joshua was able to say all the sounds when shown a grapheme and was able to talk confidently and in detail about what he thinks was going to happen in the story and why. Keep up this great attitude and dedication Joshua!
RM	Chanel	Chanel I have been amazed by the enthusiasm that you have shown towards your learning this week. You have approached all of our learning activities with a great 'can do' attitude and a smile on your face. This fantastic attitude has resulted in you being able to form some recognisable letters and beginning to write your name independently. Well done Chanel, keep being amazing! 😊
1AD	Lyle R	Lyle is my star learner this week because he has used his trying powers to submit work nearly every single day! Home-schooling is a challenge, but we are all so proud of your resilience and perseverance to overcome challenges. Your work is always completed at a high standard and you show a kind and caring nature daily. Your little sister is lucky to have you as a role model. Keep up the amazing work Lyle and remember...you are a superstar and you blow my socks off every day.
1YH	Esme	We are so pleased to award you star learner of the week to Esme! Esme always show fantastic learning behaviours and this week is no different. Esme has applied herself in every area of her learning and has written a fantastic setting description for our story Jack and the Beanstalk. Well done Esme. Keep up the fantastic work.
2KE	Cohen M	For being a superstar learner! Cohen has tried really hard with his remote online learning this week. I have loved seeing your face on zoom whilst attending live lessons this week. You have been really engaged and turned

		in lots of your work online. You have even responded to wishes! Keep up your super attitude Cohen! Well Done! 😊
2SW	Georgia	This week Georgia you have wowed me both in all English and Maths lessons. In poetry, you have thought carefully about rhyming pairs and used them to write some excellent rhyming couplets and in maths you have used systematic methods to solve problems involving multiplication. In all lessons you have thought carefully about the feedback you have been given, and used this to edit and refine your work. Well done Georgia, you always listen to advice and use this to improve your learning. You are a star.
3BR	Joseph P	Joseph is our star this week for giving every home learning task 100% effort. He listens during the zooms and this week in particular, he has found some incredible facts about life in Ancient Rome! I can't wait to read your final piece Joseph! Well done!
3RH	Neve P	Neve has worked hard to improve her arithmetic scores this week, Neve has been persistent practicing in her own time. In addition, Neve always comes into school smiling and is always willing to go above and beyond to help the children in the class.
4PC	Sienna	Sienna, you are our Star Learner of The Week. I have to say, you have fantastic resilience! You have been to every zoom lesson and completed all your work on time. You also have such a cheery disposition, you don't let anything get you down! It is great to see your smiley face every day, cheering us all up! Well done and keep it up!
4PB	Toby W	You are my star learner because although you sometimes struggle with the changes to routine this has not affected your fantastic attitude to learning or your enthusiasm. I know that I can always rely on you to not only turn in every single piece of work at a high standard but also to always make a valuable contribution to class discussions whether on Zoom or in the classroom. Well done Toby!
5RT	Amy B	This award is all about resilience, one of our school values, and goes to Amy. We have been very impressed, Amy, by your willingness to have a go and work really hard in maths. Even when you aren't sure, you persevere and always try your best. Well done
5SG	Harry N	Harry has been consistently a model pupil by attending live lessons, contributing his ideas, completing all work on Google Classroom and always trying his best. This week, I have already enjoyed seeing photos of him getting creative and expressing himself during Mental Health Week. Well done Harry. Another brilliant week for you.
6PS	Alfie	Alfie, you are my star learner this week for your constant willingness to learn and commitment towards your remote learning. Every lesson, you give your all and are becoming much more confident when sharing your thoughts and ideas. It does not go unnoticed and is fantastic to see. Keep shining Alfie!
6PR	Conner B	Conner has been working so hard on his home learning, joining in with the live lessons, completing his learning tasks and improving his already brilliant times table skills on TTRS. We have been particularly impressed with his effort in colourful semantics sessions. This week he wowed us with some amazing facts about ladybirds. Keep up great work Conner. We are really proud of you.

INTRODUCING SAFER INTERNET DAY

Safer Internet Day is a global event to help everyone to think about being as safe as possible when we are online.

It is celebrated this year on 9th February.

The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is all about ensuring the best possible childhood for every child and young person. All of the rights apply, all of the time, and this includes the time a child spends on the internet. This week's activities will include some particular focus on Articles 16 and 17, the rights to privacy and to access reliable information.

The United Kingdom Committee for UNICEF (Unicef UK) is calling for a long-term approach to ensure digital inclusion. We're asking the Department for Education to undertake a comprehensive mapping exercise to understand exactly how many children aren't online at home and why that is, and use this information to close the digital divide for good.

Anja, Senior Policy Adviser, introduces Safer Internet Day



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