



St Christopher's School

Weekly News

Friday 8th January 2021

Dear Parents

Happy New Year to you all.

What an extraordinary week! On Monday we were all definitely coming back to school but by Tuesday the Government had changed their minds. This generated a hive of activity both at school and at home to prepare for a period of home learning. The teachers worked very hard to successfully create the lessons ready for Seesaw and all of you have settled down to respond to these challenges with style. Do see the pictures taken from Seesaw on page 2. The Specialist Teachers were particularly excited to be involved with the lesson planning and presentation and I have enjoyed every minute of watching the children produce some impressive work. There have also been some excellent videos to enjoy and I can see how well everyone has engaged with this new form of learning. I want to extend my congratulations to you all.

On Wednesday our Nursery and Pre-Reception returned to school in line with the Government advice and the Nursery has been extremely busy this week as our youngest students have become absorbed in all the exciting activities of the New Year. Do see page 3 for some lovely photos.

On Wednesday I shared some very happy news with the children via my first Assembly of the year. A former pupil, Mr Richard Shawcross, who was a pupil at St Christopher's in 1942, sent a lovely letter detailing all his happy memories of his time at our school. During the national pandemic, Mr Shawcross has been thinking about others and this is what he wrote: "During 2020 not only have staff of the NHS worked wonderfully but so have teachers. What a difficult time you've had. My thanks go to you all and in appreciation I would like to send a small donation. I leave it up to you as to how it is spent". We were all very moved to hear that a former pupil had been thinking of others during these challenging times. He sent us a cheque for £250.00 and we have put this towards a brand new online reading scheme with Reading Planet which we will launch next week. I have thanked Mr Shawcross and sent him a St Christopher's blue and gold leather bookmark.

Congratulations to Bethany C for being this week's Lunchtime Superstar for delighting the kitchen team with her manners and conversation. Well done Bethany!

Thank you all for your kind messages of support this week. We have all felt extremely lucky to be part of the St Christopher's supportive community.

Stay Safe.

Mrs Annie Thackray Headteacher

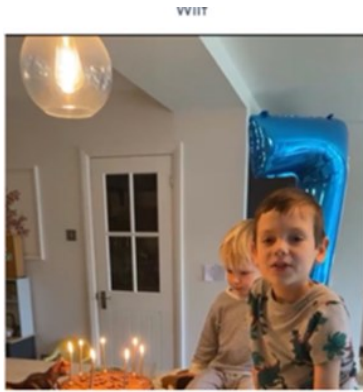
Philosophers of the Week

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Thought for the week

Does there have to be one winner?

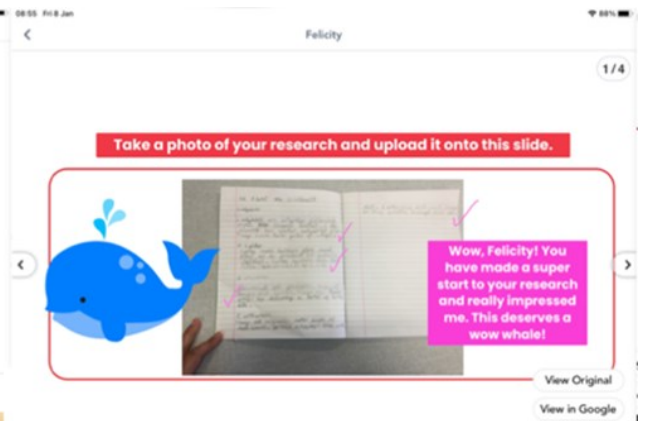
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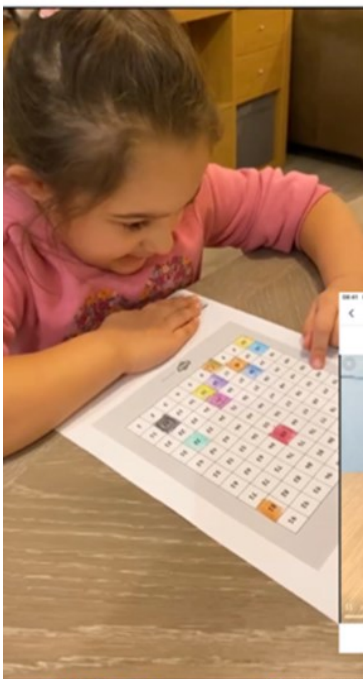
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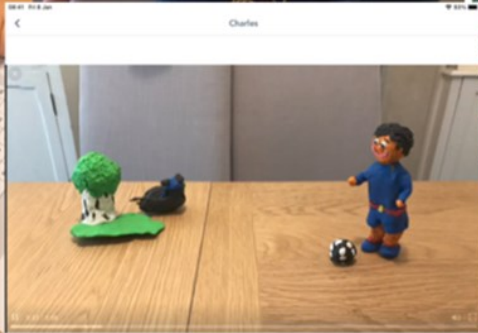
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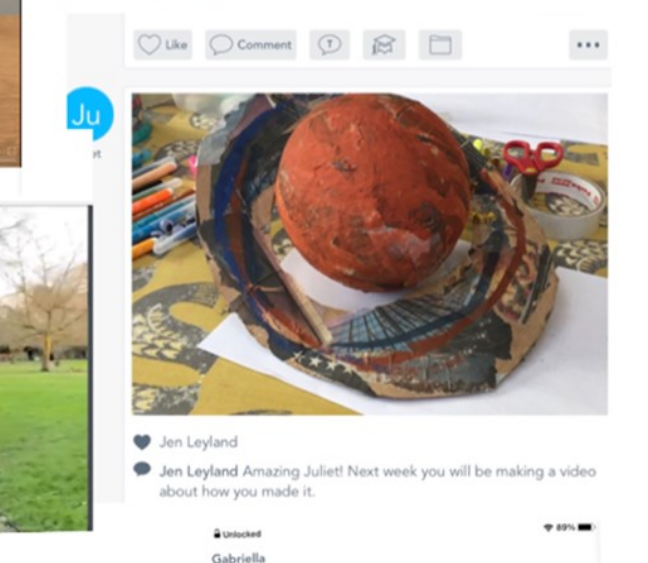
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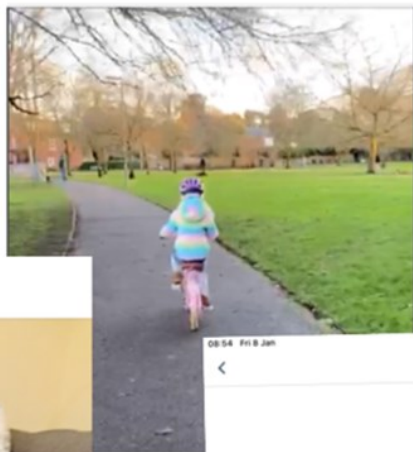
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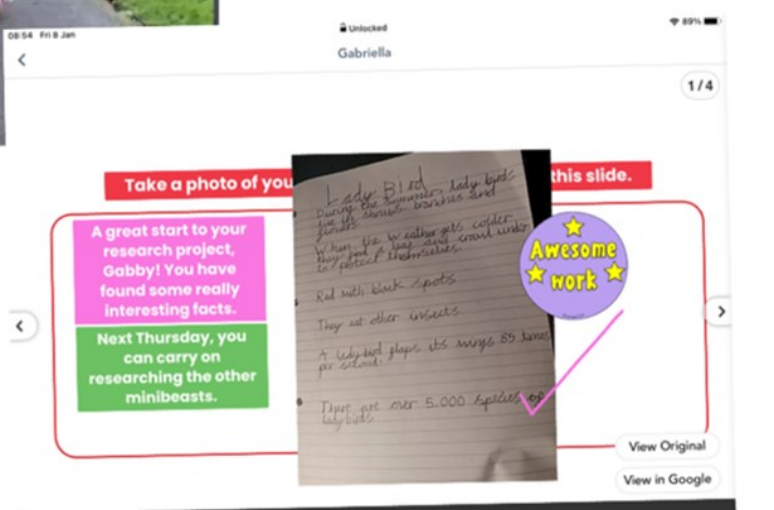
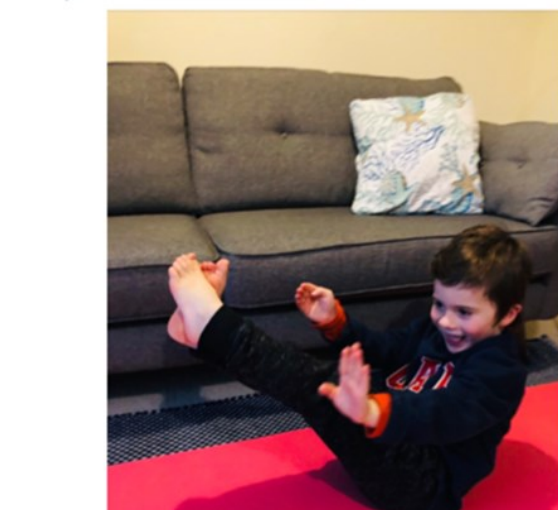
Jen Leyland
Jen Leyland Amazing Juliet! Next week you will be making a video about how you made it.



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Nursery and Pre-Reception News

Settling back into the new routines with our friends and being busy with our home learning! We have been talking about our favourite toys and thinking about how to keep warm in winter!



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