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St Winefride's and the whole country stays home!



You may think working from home must be really boring: not seeing your friends, fewer breaks, more work, but really, it's not that bad...

Of course, you can't see your friends, but you CAN spend more time with your family, have fun in your garden, learn how to get along with your siblings and you may even become friends! Who knows?

Now, you may be happy about being home schooled; you can run around in your garden and go for a walk, but have you ever given a thought to the elderly and vulnerable people who can't leave their houses? How do you think they feel? Stuck in the house with nothing to do? Lonely? Why not leave some cupcakes on the doorstep - remember to wash your hands first! Put up rainbows in your window or if you know them well enough chalk

some rainbows on their drive? You can do any of this for any of your neighbours. Furthermore, the NHS has been amazing so far, so why not go out and clap for them on a Thursday, 8:00; especially if you have an NHS worker in your road?

Also, many of you will probably be thinking that home schooling is more difficult than school itself. Right? Wrong! The difference between home and school is that at home you can explore learning through more practical activities: cooking is fun and educational, so is gardening and creating new recipes (who knows; you may become a chef).

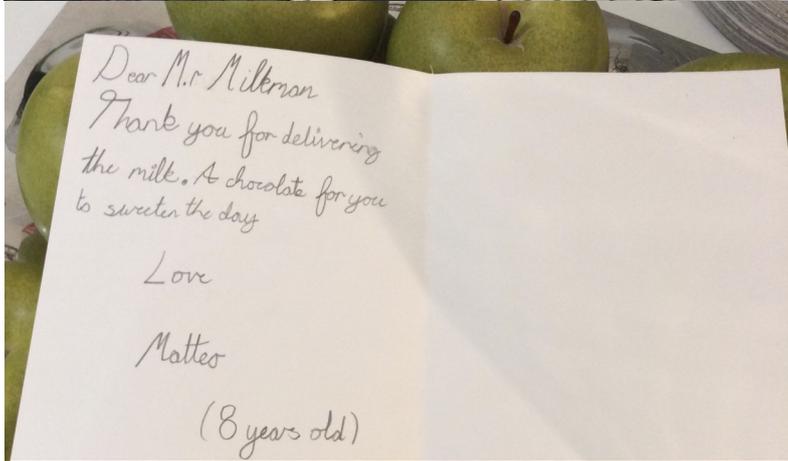
Maybe you think that you can't see your friends, right? Well, now that I think about, actually you can...

You could facetime them or I recommend Zoom; J3 found that out when they sang Atticus a big virtual HAPPY BIRTHDAY! You could hear them all over Shrewsbury! Skype is also a possibility and regular e-mails; you could even create a virtual book club!

Perhaps you have realised by now that home schooling really isn't that bad!



Home learning fun



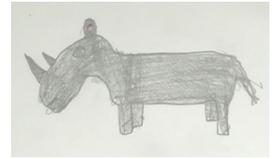


They're in danger!

Quick! We need to do something before animals around the world start becoming extinct. We at the St. Winefride's Post have been thinking about our environment and what humans are doing to the world. We don't have our homes being destroyed, but animals around the world do. We don't have people coming to kill us for fun, but elephants and other animals do. But, don't

worry, there is a solution!

- Use your car less that because would reduce pollution.
- Check if anything you buy has palm oil in because that would help stop deforestation.
- If you can, please donate money to WWF to save the animals or adopt an animal.*
- Stop using single use plastic.



What can we do?

To find out more, we asked the Jo from the Chester Zoo crew if she could answer some of our questions and here are her answers:



What's your favourite animal in the zoo and why? **Orangutans as they are incredibly intelligent great apes, just like us!**

How long have you worked at the zoo? **Two years. Before that I was a primary school teacher.**

What is your job at the zoo now? **Education Officer – teach-**

ing workshops to visiting school and university groups. One of the best parts of my job is teaching students from age 4 right through to university students. I get to meet young people from all over the world and get to inspire them to take action to protect wildlife.

What do you think of the deforestation around the world and is there anything we can do to stop it? **Deforestation is a big problem because it destroys animal habitats. If animals lose their homes and their food, they will eventually become extinct. Deforestation also contributes to climate change which threatens the survival of many species. We can all help to reduce deforestation from right here in the UK. We can look out for items which contain Sustainable Palm Oil when we go shopping, which helps to reduce deforestation in South East Asia (Have a look on the Chester Zoo 'Act for Wildlife' web pages to find out more about Sustainable Palm Oil). We can also recycle to cut down on the amount of resources taken from rainforests.**

Do you think hunting animals is a bad idea? **The illegal wildlife trade, where animals are hunted for the pet trade or to sell their bodies parts, is pushing many animals towards extinction. Some products, such as rhino**

horn and bear bile, are sold as traditional medicines, however there is no scientific evidence that they make good medicines. Elephants are hunted for their ivory to make jewellery and animals such as leopards and snakes are killed for their skins to make clothing and bags. Chester Zoo works with field partners around the world to protect animals from the illegal wildlife trade.

Do you have any tips to help cut down on plastic? **Avoid unnecessary plastic products such as straws and plastic bags. Use refillable drinks cups rather than buying bottled drinks. Where possible, encourage local businesses and supermarkets to cut down on single use plastics, and reuse and recycle wherever you can. Chester Zoo make their disposable drinks cup from plant materials not plastic and all the rubbish put into our bins is sorted for recycling.**

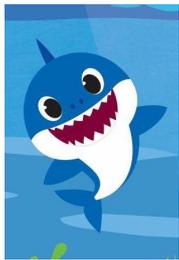
What does Chester Zoo do to help animal populations rise and be healthy? **Chester Zoo is involved in 60 different conservation projects in 21 different countries, and in partnership with 51 different organisations. These range from conserving tiny snails from Bermuda right through to enormous elephants in Kenya. We have many specialisms, including having expert conservationists who can provide advice on animal health and wellbeing, as well as conservation scientists who use different techniques to monitor population sizes.**

What can we do in school to help animals around the world? **There are lots of ways in which your school can 'Act for Wildlife' around the world but you can also protect wildlife in your school grounds. This can range from planting trees and wildflowers to building hedgehog tunnels. Take a look at our Act for Wildlife pages: <https://www.chesterzoo.org/what-you-can-do/our-campaigns/> and our resources pages: <https://www.chesterzoo.org/schools/resources/> for more ideas.**

***If you would like to adopt an animal, go to wwf.org.uk. The adoption will come with an adoption pack. You would get an update on your adopted animal 3 times a year.**

Songs of the moment

Soo... the songs of the year have finally been decided! I don't know about you, but I been raring to go ever since the songs were uploaded! Most of the songs were amazing... But some of them weren't exactly my cup of tea. The one I don't like is 'bad guy' by Billie Eilish because I am still trying to figure out why she is the 'bad guy', strange... But here are the songs of the moment...



Infants' favourites:

Baby shark by Pinkfong
 Old Macdonald had a farm
 Twinkle twinkle little star
 Knick Knack Paddy whack
 The Hokey Kokey
 10 fat sausages

Michael Finnegan
 Hickory Dickory Dock



ONE DIRECTION HISTORY

Popular with the Juniors:

Blinded by the Light
 by The Weekend
 (great tune)
 Dance Monkey by
 Tones and I (everyone
 loves this)

Adore you by Harry Styles (Love this one)
 History by One direction (amazing)
 Africa by Toto (One of the 80s' best songs)
 Jump Around by House of Pain (very cool song)
 Crown by Stormzy (great rap song)
 Ride it by Regard (fast tempo)
 Every breath you take by The Police (one of the favourites)

Which one of these absolute bangers is your new favourite song? Have your say to a family member and compare them! Have FUN! Obviously, we cannot go without knowing what Miss Coxhead's favourite song here is. You're going to have to imagine a drum roll 'cause I can't create one out of thin air! Miss Coxhead's favourite song is... Africa by Toto! Mine is: Blinded By The Light by The Weekend.

Birthdays

Has it been your birthday whilst we've been at home? Normally we'd sing to you at school so here is a birthday song just for you!

Let us sing a song,
 Just a little song,
 For today is your birthday
 God gave you to us
 Knowing He could trust
 Us to be good friends
 Tra-la (x30 while clapping)
 Happy birthday to you!



Spring is sprung

You might remember that we reported last term that the Nature Club were very busy planting bulbs at school. Well, the fruits of their efforts are now in full bloom! The school is looking beautiful with so many flowers around—well done and thank you very much to those busy bees in the Nature Club.



EASTER CROSSWORD



Across

3. Something similar to a song and a way of speaking to God
4. You give something up in this time for 40 days
7. It happened on Good Friday to Jesus
9. He died on the cross to save us



Down

1. Jesus' mother
2. Jesus died on the cross and rose again in this time
5. A yellow fluffy cute bird
6. The animal who gives out eggs
8. Jesus died on that shape
10. It is an oval shape symbolising new life



Easter song

Easter is a time to be jolly,
not hiding under a broom,
In wet rain, huddling together,
at the end of your tether,
Easter is a time to play,
and enjoy the day,
Frolicking in the sun,
Maybe with a hot cross bun!

Easter is a time of lambs,
and making egg hunting plans,
Easter is a time for hunting,
And maybe putting up punting
Easter is a time of chicks,
And jumping with Jo Wicks!
P.E teacher at nine,
After I feel fine.

Easter is a day,
To frolic and play,
A day of chocolate which is delicious
Even though not nutritious
It's a day I love!
So happy Easter everyone,
I hope you have lots of fun!



A Prayer for Lent and Holy Week

Heavenly Father,
Thank you that you are a generous God and that
you give us so many good things.

We are sorry that we are not always generous with others.
Please help us this week to be kind, to do our very best, and to be
generous when we are helping others. Amen.

General Knowledge Quiz



1. True or false: Vikings used long boats.
2. Who is the god of theatre and wine in ancient Greece?
3. In which country did Buddhism start?
4. What is the capital city of the Republic of Ireland?
5. What is the name of Roald Dahl's first autobiography?
6. Who was King Henry VIII's first wife?
7. What is the capital city of Wales?
8. Who is the patron saint of Ireland?
9. How many legs does a spider have?

Young Thinkers 2020



Before Christmas, our Junior classes entered an annual competition set by Morris & Co and the University Centre, Shrewsbury. This year's creative task was to design an emblem for Charles Darwin, set in Shrewsbury, in the future. Of over 400 entries from across Shropshire, 20 finalists were chosen, and 9 of those finalists were St. Winefride's pupils!

The children selected were invited to a special awards evening at the Shrewsbury Museum, at which the judges presented the winner with a prize. Each finalist was given a goodie bag and a huge version of their artwork to keep. 'Highly commended' awards were given to Grace in J3 and Phoebe N in J1 for their outstanding work. Huge congratulations to all the finalists!

Faith Fortnight Fun



This year's Faith Fortnight was great fun! We all learned so much about different faiths and shared it together in our assemblies. We made things like diva lamps,

challah bread and dharma wheels to help us see what is used by different faiths. Why not ask someone what they know about the religions we studied?



Quiz answers—no cheating!
 1) True 2) Dionysus 3) India 4) Dublin 5) Boy 6) Catherine of Aragon 7) Cardiff 8) Saint Patrick 9) 8

SPORTS ROUND-UP

CROSS COUNTRY

For this year's cross country at Bedstone I heard the boys and girls did tremendously well! Lots of children from across the juniors went to compete, and there were hundreds of competitors. Special mention to Tristan coming 9th and Alexandros coming 13th. They all did amazingly, and we are very proud of them.



FOOTBALL

The U11 team had the chance to play a few games this year for the SSCFA County Small Schools Trophy competition, doing an excellent job and managing to beat rivals the Shrewsbury Cathedral Catholic Primary School, amongst others.

The U11 girls' team have also



put on a great show, with many wins for the U11 Girls Small Schools Trophy.

Some children have had their first chances playing in certain teams or scoring their first goals—a big well done to Heidi B and Jacob A.



Shrewsbury Town vs Liverpool

Back at the end of January something exciting happened... It was another round of the FA Cup and Shrewsbury were drawn against Liverpool! Everybody in school was super excited as was I. I didn't get to go on the pitch or watch the game but at home I was buzzing! It started with goals from Tyler Jones and an own goal from Donald Love and it was an awful one - he basically just passed it into his own net. BUT then Jason

Cummings came on and Shrewsbury got a penalty straight away. Cummings was on the spot to score, and all the Shrewsbury fans went crazy but then Liverpool brought on Salah and Firmino - no impact. Then Cummings scores again - the impact in that! It ended at 2-2 and there was a huge pitch invasion!



Sports and games at home

Lots of us have been keeping active at home, playing games with our brothers and sisters, going on our daily walks or bike rides, creating fantasy football teams, or doing YouTube workouts with Joe Wicks. What have you been up to? Have you learned any new skills? Have fun keeping fit and healthy together with your family.

