



Helmsley CP School News

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Dear parents and pupils,

I hope you have all had a happy, healthy and restful Easter break and are beginning to settle back into some form of routine. Although the lock down has inevitably been very difficult for many – many of us have been lucky enough to enjoy the opportunity to spend time with family and even get fit. I have noticed the increase in people out walking, cycling and running and with recent news in the depletion of flour availability this suggests that perhaps many of us are spending time baking.

I am very proud of all our pupils and families who continue to support their child and school by providing opportunities for them to continue their learning at home. I have enjoyed reading the weekly newsletters and teachers have made me aware of the hard work that is happening in our school community. Thank you.

Please continue to ask your class teachers for support when you need it and share with us your achievements. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine – make the most of your daily exercise whilst the weather is good.

Best wishes,
Claire Lamb



What's going on?

99-year-old British war veteran, Captain Tom Moore has completed 100 laps of his 25m back garden in Marston Moretaine, Bedfordshire! He has raised over £28 million for Britain's National Health Service (NHS) and has received donations to his fundraising challenge from all around the world! Captain Tom began raising funds to thank NHS staff who helped him with treatment for cancer and a broken hip, he originally aimed to raise just £1000 but quickly passed his target!

Listen, think, share

Look at the poster image, do we know who the person is in the poster? Explain that it is Captain Tom Moore, a 99-year-old war veteran from Bedfordshire who recently raised over £28 million for the NHS by completed 100 laps of his garden for his 100th birthday!

Talk about how sometimes it's not the biggest actions that can have the biggest impact and that all of the things that we do affect the world around us! Captain Tom didn't even leave his garden but managed to raise a lot of money and raise the spirits of the nation! Can we think of anything we can do at the moment to help others?

Mother Teresa, a Catholic nun who dedicated her life to helping others said, "If you cannot feed a hundred people, feed one." Talk about what you think she meant by this? Do you agree?

Reflection

However small we think our actions are, we can all contribute to help make a positive difference to the world around us. At some point, to someone or something, our actions matter!

Challenges!

Challenge 1 – Write a letter or thank you card and send it to someone who has made a difference in your local community, this could be for a teacher, family member or neighbour.

Challenge 2 – Draw a picture of Captain Tom Moore completing his challenge.

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Congratulations Edward!

Edward's story 'Gem's Lamb' has made it through to the second round! There were 135,000 entries and only 5000 of these get through to the next round of judging. We are very proud of you Edward! Good luck with the next stage.

During Sunday afternoon's Coronavirus update, led by Gavin Williamson, you may have heard him talk about Oak National Academy. This is a National resource that teachers and pupils can access to support their learning. Here is the link to the website <https://www.thenational.academy/> Teachers may recommend some lessons to complement their learning.



Rainbows

You may have seen people displaying rainbows in their windows. Why do people do this? Rainbows symbolise the sun emerging amid a rainy backdrop. They ultimately serve as a reminder to stay positive. Helmsley Fire station would love to receive any of your positive rainbow pictures to display at their station. You can post them through their door as you pass during your daily exercise walk.