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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you are all managing okay during these restricted and unusual times. This is quite a newsletter! I have so much to share.

The launch of the learning platform has been a huge success. There is still some reflection to be done and improvements to be made, but in general the children have responded with enthusiasm to a totally different way of learning. A period of adjustment for us all will continue for some time, I am sure. Thank you for your continued support.

I wanted to share pictures of some fantastic creations some of you have shared with us. There are many more and I will save them for future newsletters – please keep them coming!



A piece of art with a message, created by children at the hub.



An example of pixel art cleverly created by Oscar from Eagles.



Dulcie in Robins has been busy making and painting.



For Earth Day this week, Molly in Woodpeckers did some special planting with her Grandad.



Joseph & Bobby in Woodpeckers made this wonderful happy globe for Earth Day.



This was made by one of our Wrens – sorting vehicles. Very creative!



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The staff have also been very busy thinking of the children and here is a link to something special: enjoy!

<https://youtu.be/y0ybtOmpdpM>

In other news:

Burgate School Year 5 taster day

The Burgate School have told us that the Year 5 taster days they were due to run in the summer term have been cancelled; they hope to rebook them at a later date.

Refurbished tech

For those of you who may want to consider a reasonably priced IT option as a potential solution to the home learning conundrum, here is a link to a company offering just that:

<https://refurbo.co.uk/products/refurbished-lenovo-chromebook-11e-intel-celeron-4gb-ram-16gb-ssd.html>

Forest School logo competition



Earlier in the year, Mrs Hill launched a competition to design a logo for our fabulous Forest School. Congratulations to Freya in Swallows who is the winner! Here is her winning design.

The competition was spotted on our Facebook page by local design company The Mustard Agency. The managing director was impressed with the concept and is always keen to champion young designers. He also wants to support local businesses and schools. I am delighted to say that he has offered to take the winning design and make it into a workable professional design, which can be used on badges, flags, handbooks etc. A really big thank you to them. Also, a big thank you to Mrs Hill for organising this.

Baby news

Finally, some more exciting news: we are delighted to announce that Mrs Pearce and Mr Pearce have a new baby girl, Elodie. Both mum and daughter are doing well. Congratulations both, we cannot wait to meet Elodie in person soon!

We hope everyone is staying safe and we are all looking forward to another virtual week ahead. We miss you all lots.

Staff and Governors at Bemerton St John