



Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success



NEWSLETTER

29 January 2021

Exciting news regarding the school and my role:

I have been asked to support another school in the Stroud area, and from next week will be working as Headteacher across both schools, with my time split 50/50 between the two (Monday and Tuesday there and Thursday and Friday here, with a day working from home for both schools). Steve Hodgkinson, our Senior Teacher, will be Randwick's Acting Deputy Headteacher and be managing the day-to-day school in my absence on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. I am ultimately responsible, however, for both schools, and he and I will be in regular communication. For our staff team, this is something to celebrate and I have no doubt we as a school will gain from this experience. This is initially a short term arrangement to be reviewed on a regular basis. We will keep you informed of how it's going and any changes to the above. Mr Poad.

COVID update

If a child is a close contact of a positive case in school, it is a legal requirement that they be asked to self-isolate and stay at home. This means they must not leave the house, except to go in the garden and they are not allowed to meet anyone from another household. No other members of the household are required to isolate unless they, or the child, develops symptoms. If the child doesn't have symptoms, other siblings can still go to school. Parents may want to consider keeping siblings at home in this instance, as a way of helping to reduce the risk of spread of the virus within the school community. Whilst this is not official guidance, the LA are supportive of schools and parents in these instances.

Children's Mental Health Week

We'd like to offer children something different in the afternoons next week. It's Children's Mental Health Week across the country and we hope these activities will excite your children and help them stay well. Let your imagination run wild! On **Monday** afternoon we'd like you to recreate a fairy tale, be it Jack and the Beanstalk or Little Red Riding Hood or The Three Little Pigs, or any other story. You can use puppets (even sock puppets!) or film you and other members of your family as main characters (or even be all of the characters

yourself!). Dress up or not, anything goes! Please share your final production with us by posting on your class page (or if you have siblings in school, on their pages too).

On **Tuesday** we will be expressing ourselves through music! Did you know you can make music from just about anything? Our task is to make a musical instrument from household objects and play it. If you have an instrument already at home you could also play something on that instead. At our normal story time session today we will share the instruments we have made and the music we can do using them. Here is a video link to show you a few different ways to make musical instruments at home. You could do one of these ideas or something totally different, it is up to you!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7nchegAjxPO>

On **Wednesday** we will be taking part in a whole school draw-a-long. We will all follow this simple 'draw your feelings' video by Place2Be's Art Room team. You don't have to join at a particular time but we would encourage you to watch in the afternoon. So find a quiet corner, get out your pencils and start your masterpiece!

Each pupil will need some paper and something to draw with. You can watch the demo here:

<https://bit.ly/3iJCoMv>

We will be sharing all your fantastic art together at the end of the day in the Google Meet sessions. In between you can upload your pictures to the stream or https://padlet.com/hodgkinson_steven/art

Randwick's Got Talent! For our **Friday** challenge, we will be putting on our own talent show. This is an opportunity for you to share something you can do with the rest of the school. You might want to sing, dance, tell jokes, play an instrument or even do magic! You could perform your talent with a sibling or on your own. Please film your performance and upload it to our Padlet or share it on your class stream. Follow this link to access the padlet. You don't need to sign up to be able to add your video: <https://en-gb.padlet.com/lnewbould/q7u33cdkucu2mat1>

Message from our Schoolbeat Officer

Good Afternoon,

I hope everyone is safe and well.

As I have not been in to your school for a while or maybe even at all this year I have recorded a short "hello, stay safe" message for you all. Due to the size of the file it has not been possible to send it as an attachment. Please use the following link to access the video via WeTransfer - <https://we.tl/t-WGlmKaeUfa>

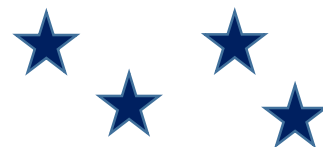
Kind regards

Mark

Mark Weedon
Police Constable 2071
Schoolbeat Officer
Stroud Local Policing Area
Gloucestershire Constabulary



WEEKLY AWARDS



Amelie for great detail in her animal report.



Henry always being attentive and working independently.



Zac for excellent manners at all times.



Coralie for making a fabulous Anglo Saxon village at home.



India for superb dividing 100 into 2,4,5 and 10 using different methods.



Stirling for helping another child with using their laptop.



Jago for persevering with his writing to create an incredible voyage poem!



Eva for challenging herself further in her maths.



Rufus for constantly trying his hardest on live lessons to answer questions and super learning with phonics



Isaac for joining Kestrel Class with courage and enthusiasm.



Jayne for really applying herself to her tasks in school and at home - a great effort!



Olive for brilliant determination with home learning and completing all work to a high standard.



Oscar M for being so passionate and enthusiastic.



Imogen for being kind and caring.



Emmie for asking great questions about snails and their behaviour



Imogen for being kind and caring.



Oscar M for being so passionate and enthusiastic.



Oscar E for having a go; asking to try a new skill - the drawknife.



Zac for great perseverance and independence



Bella for a super support, helping others to join in making fat balls for the birds.



Marcus for fantastic focus using the draw knife and a responsible attitude towards tool use.