



Yorke Mead School Newsletter

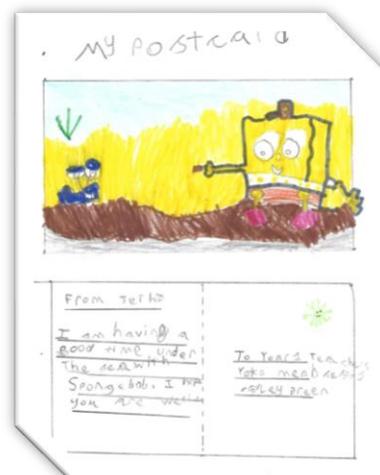
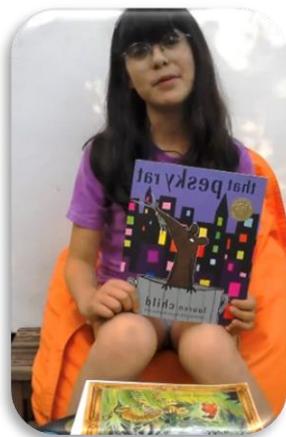


Friday 22nd May 2020

This week at and away from Yorke Mead!

#YorkeMeadstilllearning

Kindness and thinking of others still thriving in lockdown! Letter writing, puppet show, baking and stories - all ways of showing you are thinking of others!



Letters sent out this week

- ❖ Video learning links*
- ❖ Update on school re-opening 21st May
- ❖ Survey about your plan to return

An further updated list of video learning links has been sent out today with the newsletter.

The re-opening of school

Yesterday you should have received an extremely long letter explaining what the school will look like if the government decides to proceed with opening schools under the current guidance. I hope this letter has alleviated some of the concerns you may have had about your children returning to school. We want this to be a positive experience for the children.

Today you will have received a very quick questionnaire that we ask you to complete.

I appreciate this may all feel very rushed for you. Although the government made the announcement about schools re-opening just under three weeks ago, HCC needed time to produce the Hertfordshire specific guidance and after reading the letter, I am sure you appreciate there has been much to consider in this process. I made a very specific decision not to send information out in dribs and drabs, nor to ask you your thoughts on school returning until you were able to have the information you needed.

Your support throughout this process has been amazing – I hope we can move forwards positively.

Half term YM Daisy project



We would really like to create a massive display celebrating the creativity of your home learning by applying it to making a Yorke Mead Daisy. The idea is you make a daisy, take a picture, post it on Twitter or email it to your year group email and we will take all of your ideas and create a huge display. Mrs Walke has made a video to help inspire you.

<https://youtu.be/1PvPexHy9V8>

Reception Places at Yorke Mead

There is a much smaller birth rate in the local area this year, and this means that there is a surplus of school places. If you know anyone who lives locally please tell them about our school if they are looking for a school place. Many people automatically believe they will not be able to get into a Croxley school and therefore do not look into it. We have places at Yorke Mead – please tell your friends.

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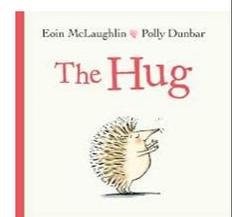
Apologies, but I failed to send you the link for the Jon Bishop assemblies last week. These have been included in the latest update along with more chapters of The Boy in the Tower and a special reading of

Well worth a look!

To help the children to understand some aspects of life that may be different as we enter our new normal it might be nice to watch the following video with your children:

<https://www.facebook.com/453278638115695/posts/2746815495428653/?vh=e>

I think it works best if you have a Facebook account, and I apologise if this doesn't work for you.



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