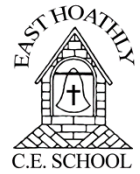




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Reminder

Thank you for keeping in touch with us and informing us with what you are doing. Please remember to not put any additional pressure into your home lives at this already stressful time and contact your child (ren)'s teachers at anytime for help or reassurance and they will do their best to guide you.

Message from Reverend Hodgins

We have put all our prayer/service videos on the church Facebook page. For those who use Facebook, you can visit our page 'Chiddingly and East Hoathly Churches' or follow the web link: <https://www.facebook.com/EastHoathlyChurch/?ref=bookmarks>.

We have also put assemblies on the school website. Please take a look at this week's, which follows the theme of 'hope': <http://easthoathly.pioneerfederation.co.uk/east-hoathly-school-assembly-rev-phil-easter-hope/>

Virtual Sussex School Games

This week's sport was...
Football!

Next week's sport is...
Gym and Fitness

It would be great if more children from all three schools got involved in next week's challenge (they are announced at 10am on Monday mornings so please visit the website to log your scores)!

Practice and improve, and log your best scores on www.sussexschoolgames.co.uk.

Good luck!



Federation Choir

Mr Cline has taken on Miss Lewis' choir challenge and has recorded his own version of Fight Song!

You can view this on our website: <https://chiddingly.pioneerfederation.co.uk/mr-cline-performs-fight-song/>

Brilliant job, Mr Cline!

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Noah made war time jam tarts and a Spitfire plane to celebrate VE Day.



Joshua has made a sheep picture. He entered the church weekly challenge and they put a photo of his picture on the front page of their website and they will show his picture after church service on Sunday.



George has been making lots of yummy food and he's also been in the garden whilst working hard with his mum!



Oliver and Emily had a morning of fun colouring!

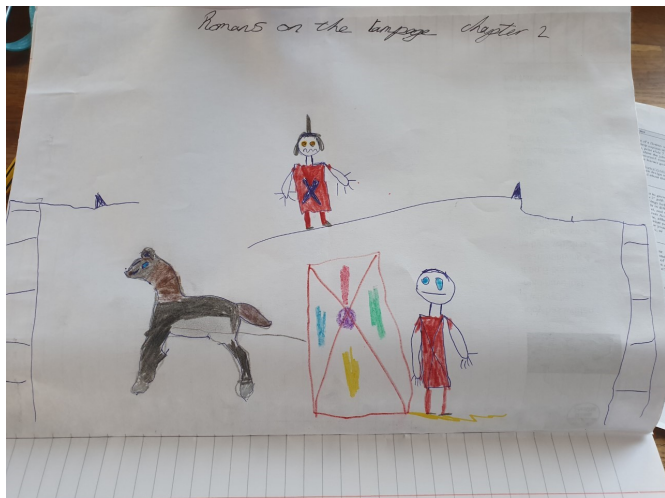


Floyd has been enjoying lots of home baking. He likes to wear his Father Christmas apron! He loves tasting the end result!



Children's Work — please send in photos and writing to office@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk

Esra has been busy this week making a Laurel leaf crown and drawing a picture from the story of Romans on the Rampage!



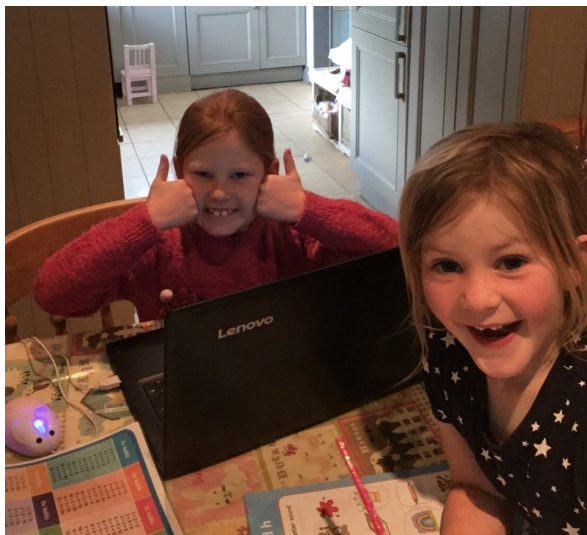
Ahlia received her green badge for wildlife explorers, and it arrived on her 10th birthday!



India with her Roman mosaic.



Thumbs up from Molly when she got her maths questions right on MyMaths!



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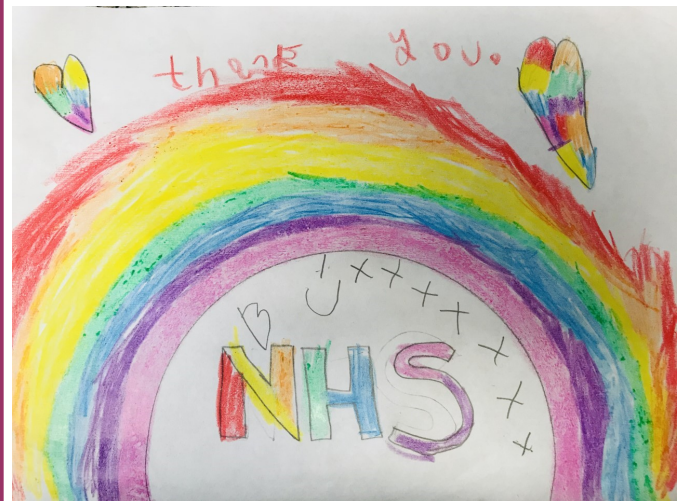
Here is a picture of Freya with her Roman shield she has made this week as part of her topic.



Freddie has won a prize in a magazine for a picture she drew!



Immy has created a picture of a rainbow for the NHS!



Connecting to nature

<p>Day 1</p> <p>Find a cosy spot to sit near a window. Perhaps grab a drink and a biscuit and spend some time noticing and appreciating anything that you see.</p>	<p>Day 2</p> <p>Find a notebook or some paper you can use for any of your nature reflections over the next few weeks. You could start with a title, front page design or border.</p>	<p>Day 3</p> <p>Appreciate the sky. What colours do you see? Are there any clouds today? Notice their changing shapes and watch as they come and go.</p>	<p>Day 4</p> <p>Sit by a window for a while and enjoy the sunshine. If the sun doesn't reach you, imagine breathing in warm rays of sunshine through your whole body.</p>	<p>Day 5</p> <p>Notice the first star appearing in the night sky.</p> 	<p>Day 6</p> <p>Look for a natural object in your home – for example a plant, stone, shell or pine cone. Look closely at your object and notice any details you haven't seen before.</p>
<p>Day 7</p> <p>Bake something special and shape or decorate it with a nature theme. Bird-shaped bread rolls? Ladybird cupcakes? #bakeformature</p> 	<p>Day 8</p> <p>Start a WildWindow! Use any art materials that you have and create a picture of a woodland creature and pop it in the window #wildwindows</p>	<p>Day 9</p> <p>Start your day with the dawn chorus, or tune into Birdsong radio. Notice the varieties of rhythm and pitch. How does your body respond as you listen?</p>	<p>Day 10</p> <p>Notice any signs outside that signal the time of the day eg the activity of birds, quality of light, or sounds from inside or outside your home.</p>	<p>Day 11</p> <p>Note three good things in nature and write them down. Perhaps look at some photographs for inspiration!</p>	<p>Day 12</p> <p>Open a window and feel the fresh air on your face, skin and hair. Take a slow deep breath.</p> 
<p>Day 13</p> <p>Find a film or a book exploring nature and settle in for the night.</p>	<p>Day 14</p> <p>Read a poem about nature. (You could explore poems by Mary Oliver, Robert Frost, or Wendell Berry or even write your own nature poem.)</p>	<p>Day 15</p> <p>Notice three more good things in nature – perhaps share your thoughts with someone.</p> 	<p>Day 16</p> <p>Continuing with your Wild Window, draw or make some pollinator plants to put on the windowsill. Find out which plants are great for pollinators online.</p>	<p>Day 17</p> <p>List all the different things you enjoy most about springtime eg things you see, hear, smell and touch.</p>	<p>Day 18</p> <p>Bring to mind a time when you felt peaceful or cheerful in nature. Can you tune into that feeling now?</p>
<p>Day 19</p> <p>Find a natural soundscape online (perhaps the sound of rain, the sea or woodlands). Take a seat, close your eyes and go on an imaginary nature journey.</p> 	<p>Day 20</p> <p>Look for some fascinating animal facts online and get lost in the wonders of nature.</p>	<p>Day 21</p> <p>Be still for three minutes and listen out for any sounds of nature through your window.</p>	<p>Day 22</p> <p>From your comfy window spot watch the weather. Can you hear wind or rain? Maybe you can see the shadows cast by the sunshine.</p>	<p>Day 23</p> <p>Write down three more good things in nature and reflect on your list.</p>	<p>Day 24</p> <p>Draw or make some pollinators for your plants! Create a "buzz" around your Wild Window.</p> 
<p>Day 25</p> <p>Listen out for a bird call or find one online and try to copy it. Can you "talk" to a bird?</p>	<p>Day 26</p> <p>Notice the changing light of a sunrise at the start of the day, or the soft dimming of light at sunset.</p>	<p>Day 27</p> <p>Bring to mind your favourite season. What do you like most about it? Can you capture that now in pictures or words?</p>	<p>Day 28</p> <p>Reflect on your connection to nature over the month, what have you enjoyed the most? Perhaps create a reminder of it somewhere in your home.</p>	<p>Some of these ideas have been inspired by our Nature Prescriptions project in Shetland, and our pilot project in Edinburgh, which is currently paused. You can find out more about RSPB's Nature Prescriptions at rspb.org.uk/naturesremedy</p> <p>Find out more about what you can do at www.rspb.org.uk</p>	

Starters for STEM



Starters for STEM are 10 activities that parents can use at home to help children develop their science, technology, engineering and maths skills. These activities are easy to resource and provide children with the stimulus to talk about the world around them. If you see a link you can explore how to extend these activities, you will need to sign up, for free, to access these materials. Don't forget to share your work on social media

#ScienceFromHome

Brilliant bridges

The world's longest bridge is in China and is 164.8km long. It would take more than two days to walk the length of this bridge.

Try building a bridge big enough for a toy car. You could use paper, Lego or any other building materials you might have at home.

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

Design a sports kit

Design a sports kit suitable for a sport you choose.

Think about where this sport takes place (e.g. indoors, outdoors, on water etc.). Think about the type of material you will use and why you have used it.

<https://bit.ly/3c401wy>

Sophia Barnacle

Sophia was a British inventor who invented the Helter-skelter slide in 1907.

Try using junk box materials to make your own helter-skelter or marble run.

<https://bit.ly/2Yujmvs>

Clucking chickens

Make an instrument that sounds like a chicken. You will need: tin can/plastic cup, and some string.

Make a small hole in the base of a plastic cup. Thread string through the hole and knot it on the inside. Wet your fingers and run them down the string to produce a clucking noise

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

Autosub 6000 Ocean Floor Mission

Use scratch to debug and improve the Autosub6000 around the ocean floor. Activity notes and instructions can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3enBu7s>

Making Music

A kazoo is a simple wind instrument that create a humming sound.

Take a cardboard tube and cover the end with greaseproof paper held on with an elastic band. Make a hole in the tube close to the elastic band. Now hum down the tube from the open end.

What can you hear? What is making the sound?

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Unplugged Coding

Watch <https://bbc.in/2XBXWnp>

Create a simple under the sea obstacle course or draw an obstacle course on a piece of paper.

Write simple code to guide the submarine around the obstacles found under the sea. E.g. Rocks, ship wrecks, sleeping octopus. E.g. →→↓→→→↑→

Heavier than a potato

Hold a potato in one hand. What can you find in your house that is heavier than your potato?

What is lighter?

Can you find something that weighs the same?

Origami

When the Japanese Space Agency is looking for new astronauts they set them a challenge to create as many origami cranes as they can in a set time. They all have to be identical, with perfect folds. Try making an origami animal following instructions online. Can you make it again so the next one is identical?

Expanding gummy bears

You will need a selection of gummy bears. Measure their length.

Now put a gummy bear in water and leave it for a few hours. Take the bear out of the water. What has happened to it?

What other liquids could you test your gummy bear in?

Week beginning 11th May 2020