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## Half Term

Well done for all of the amazing work you have done over the last term. We have never been more proud of the children within our school community! Your perseverance and hard work has been inspiring!

A big thank you goes to the parents of our school community—for all you have done and adapted to during the latest lockdown. Thank you for your encouragement and support!

On that note, we hope you all enjoy a well deserved rest over the half term! Term 4 begins on Monday 22nd February. As soon as we have information about reopening, we will let you know!

## Notices

- If your child or a member of your household tests positive for COVID-19 during the first 48 hours of the half term holidays, it is really important that you email the office as soon as possible.
- From Term 4, we would like all children in school to wear uniform. This is to enable us to prepare the children for when school reopens.
- Please complete the online learning questionnaire by clicking on the link below.

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## Travel to Malawi

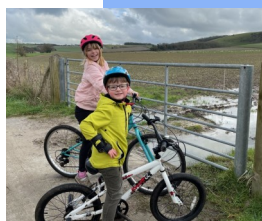
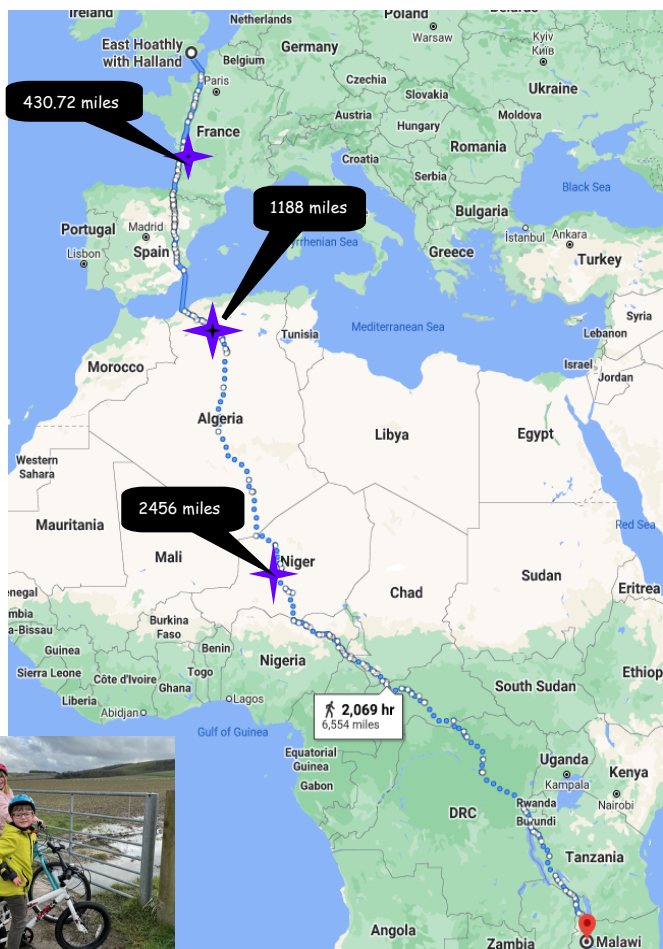
As you know, we are completing the federation wide challenge of virtually travelling to Malawi. As we have not yet reached our target, we are extending the deadline to the end of term 4! So keep it up!

So far, our federation's children, parents and staff have run, walked, skipped, jogged and biked a total of 2,456 miles out of our 6,555 mile target. If we really were walking to Malawi, we would have made it to the middle of Niger!

Please keep sending in your miles to [traveltomalawi@pioneerfederation.co.uk](mailto:traveltomalawi@pioneerfederation.co.uk)—every mile counts! Please send in photos of your walk too—we would love to feature them in the newsletter!

We had some brilliant cycling from Theo and Freya while they racked up the miles this week! Great picture, you two! Those muddy puddles look like lots of fun!

**Fun Fact:** Did you know, if we walked to Malawi and back from East Hoathly, we would have walked 13,110 miles of the 13,170 mile length of the Great Wall of China!



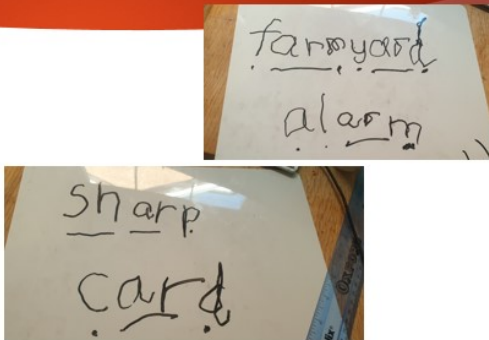
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Well done to all of our learners at home! You have all worked so hard and produced such high quality work!

## Hedgehogs – Learner of the Week - Home

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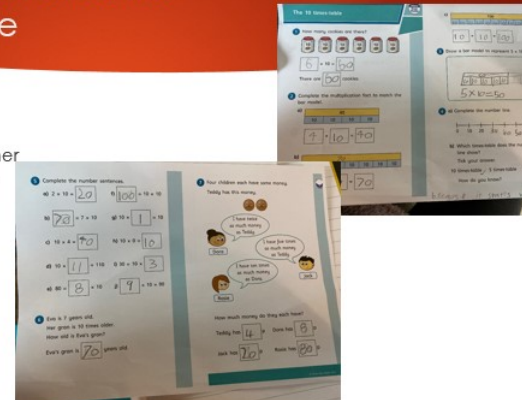
For working so hard on his phonics this week



## Squirrels – Learner of the Week - Home

Grace

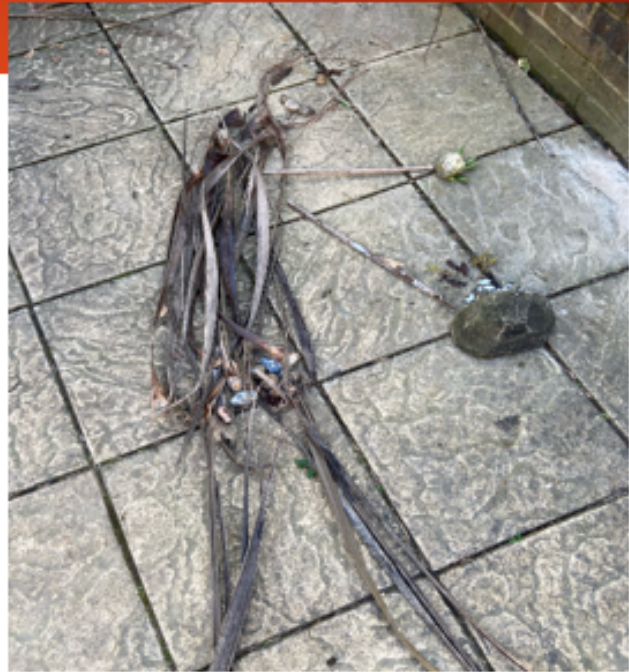
for working hard to practice her two, five and ten times tables



## Foxes – Learner of the Week - Home

Samuel

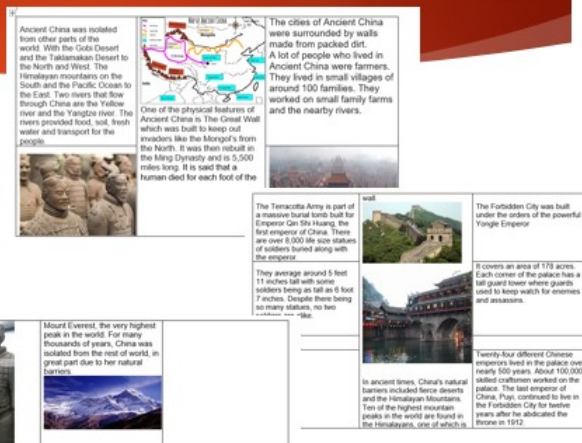
For working incredibly hard and completing all his work. This is Samuel's Quentin Blake inspired artwork based on the story of George's Marvellous Medicine.



## Owls – Learner of the Week - Home

Jack and Luke

for working together to research and create a leaflet about China



Well done everyone! Keep up the amazing effort!

You have all worked so hard this term!



# School Learners of the Week

Well done to all of our learners at school! You have all worked so hard and produced such high quality work!

## Hedgehogs – Learner of the Week - School

### Emily

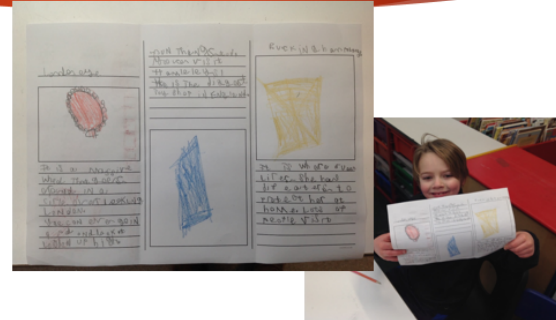
for her super Chinese New Year Lantern and brilliant dice addition this week.



## Squirrels – Learner of the Week - School

### Connor

for his amazing London leaflet, with lots of information and fantastic pictures.



## Foxes – Learner of the Week - School

### Max

For working really hard in literacy this week. He produced some lovely rhyming poetry about George's Marvellous Medicine. Also, he made a creative Dream Catcher on Wellbeing Wednesday.



## Owls – Learner of the Week - School

### Daisy

For working really hard to complete all her maths work and she persevered when she has found questions challenging.



## Nursery – Learner of the Week

### Sami

For being a super learner and doing so well with his self-care. So grown up!



# HOME LEARNING

Please send pictures of your child's learning so it can feature in the next newsletter! We can't wait to see and share their incredible home learning!

Florence from Owl Class has been incredibly creative this week and has written a poem to celebrate the Chinese New Year!

What a brilliant way to show off the learning you have done about China and the Chinese New Year, Florence!

I almost feel like I'm in China celebrating the New Year myself!

It seems we have a future Poet Laureate on our hands!

Well done, Flo!

## Chinese New Year

*When it is Chinese new year we all start to bustle,  
Even the children are starting to hustle,  
At night we eat fish,  
It is a good dish,*

*On new years day,  
I always shout hooray,  
To welcome in a new year,  
I will occasionally shed a tear,  
Then in this new year we eat a new dish,  
And it does not have to be fish!*

*The second day is just as fun,  
For at the setting sun,  
There is a birthday,  
Of Cai Shen celebrate,  
Also give your dog a treat,  
Before you turn it into meat,*

*The third day  
This is when most things are calm,  
But you shouldn't see your friends or aunts,  
That goes for every family member,  
You will have to see them in December,*

*The fourth day  
You have to go back to working,  
But it will be spring,  
So eat your spring tea,  
Then you will see.*

*The next few days are where you prayer  
You pray that the gods will share,  
The greatness of life,  
All of it in a strife,  
To hope that in the new year,  
Your family is always near.*

India has been *soup-er* busy in the kitchen this week!

She has created one of the scrummiest looking soups I have ever seen and has, quite rightly, named it 'India's Incredible Soup'!

It has been made with cauliflower, parsnips and onions and with a dash of an amazing assortment of spices like cinnamon, cumin and paprika—India has cooked up a storm!

What a great dish to warm you up during the snowy weather we've been having! India, how would you feel about being in charge of lunches when you come back to school?



Orlaith and Jake from Fox Class have also been really creative and have made decorations to celebrate the Chinese New Year!

I love the colours, guys! Well done! Maybe you could both start a decorations business!



# SCHOOL BUBBLES

Here, we are going to share the learning taking place in each of the bubbles throughout the week!

## Nursery Bubble

Excited by the weather this week, the Nursery bubble have been spending a lot of time learning about the snow!

The children explored the texture of the snow and incorporated it into a lot of their learning. Paige even used the snow to practise her writing! Well done Paige!

The children also learnt a lot about the different types of weather we can have!

Good work, Nursery!



## EYFS/KS1 Bubble

This week, in honour of the Chinese New Year, the EYFS/KS1 bubble had a go at creating some Chinese dragon biscuits.

The biscuits were lots of fun to make and piping the mixture to create the shapes was a little challenging but, once out of the oven and cooled, the biscuits turned out really well!

The children enjoyed decorating them and, of course, they enjoyed eating them!



## KS2 Bubble

This week, the KS2 bubble got creative in the kitchen and made some very tasty Chinese inspired stirfry! The children were all able to take turns chopping the vegetables and they all had a go at cooking the vegetables in the pan.

The KS2 bubble had fun trying to use chopsticks to eat their stirfry!

Well done for working together as a team to create some great food! Good work, KS2!



# MISS LEWIS' VIRTUAL WONDERWALL

We are celebrating some of the fantastic writing the children are completing both at home and at school. Each week, we will post some examples of children working exceptionally hard on their writing to our Virtual Wonderwall!

## The Great Inventor Zephyr by Darcy Allen

### The great inventor Zephyr.

Zephyr was worried about the world around him as a young, determined inventor he knew he had to think of a world changing invention... And FAST!

The little boy understood climate change was happening even worse than before: Icebergs were melting, animals were dying, and floods and fires were covering the earth like.

Zephyr wanted to change it. Make the world a better place. Make it safe for humans and animals. Make it loved again! He thought that he had a plan!

Our story begins, in East Sussex -Zephyr is surrounded by plans to save the world- sitting in a tiny house, where he spends all his time, creating marvellous inventions. His most recent creation is World Changing Gloves.

Zephyr spoke to himself "Finally I have finished this amazing invention. The flying backpack!" Zephyr lifted the square object, and pressed a small red button, to reveal two massive blue wings coming out the sides! "I have to go try it."

He excitedly grabbed his World Changing Gloves and ran out of the door.

Zephyr quickly slipped the silk gloves on and put on his backpack. He excitedly pressed the red button. It flashed brightly. The backpack vibrated. Smoke filled the air. Woosh! In the blink of an eye, he flew up into the air. Zephyr was higher than the clouds! He felt just like a bird, ready to save the world.

The little boy was a saviour, flying around the world at 1000 miles an hour. Zapping whatever problems, he could find!

These extraordinary Gloves were a miracle (if he zapped *anything* that had been affected by Global Warming) then it would never come back! The world will have had been saved!

A few days later, when Zephyr was in his house, thinking of more world changing inventions -to totally get rid of and recycle all plastic.

Suddenly, he heard a loud knock on the door. Knock. Knock. Wondering who it could be, he cautiously opened the door. A herd of cameramen, television reporters and journalists burst into the tiny room.

Asking questions like: "Were you the boy who saved the world?"

"How did you make your inventions?"

"What kind of things did you see?"

"What is your next invention?" One reporter asked excitedly.

So, Zephyr stood up (onto his chair) and explained everything. From creating his inventions, to saving a troubled world and how his next invention, Plastic Patrol, will help the world. And all who are in it.

Later that night, when Zephyr was tucked up in his cosy bed, he saw himself on live tv! He was so proud of himself.

He was the little boy who had saved the world!

## New Learning Powers

This term, the Pupil Governors have worked closely with Miss Lewis to create the new learning powers linked to our four values. This was all their own work and completely their choices in terms of design and characters. We look forward to having these characters around from Term 4!

Miss Roberts has also created some wonderful illustrations for us to help the children to identify with them.

Well done for your hard work Pupil Governors and a big thank you to Miss Roberts for bringing the characters to life!



## Letter from Sussex Police

Please see a link below to take you to a letter from Sussex Police regarding the current lockdown restrictions.

<https://czone-backoffice.azurewebsites.net/media/7636/letter-to-parents-carers-covid-sussex-police.pdf>



## Book Donations

Thank you to Mrs Fry, from St Mary's, who received a grant which enabled us to get some amazing books!

The company, Speaking Volumes, have sent us a huge array of different books, for all ages. These books will be incredible for upcoming assembly topics, our Christian values and other various RE activities that we have scheduled for the year.

Thank you Mrs Fry for organising this and thank you Speaking Volumes for your amazing generosity!



## East Hoathly Prayer

Mrs Healy and the RE Council have been working hard to create a new prayer for our school.

They have incorporated the school's values of strength, truth, love and wisdom into it.

What a lovely way to reflect upon our values!

Thank you Mrs Healy and the RE Council!



### East Hoathly School Prayer

*We use our school values to guide us to make good choices*



Father God,

Open our hearts to show love and respect for the school community and the world.  
We will show a helping hand for others in our work, play and all that we do.



Help and encourage us to persevere and be brave in all our learning so we always do our best.



Thank you for giving us the wisdom to be creative and always make wise choices.



We will follow your example and be honest and positive thinkers in all that we do.



Amen





## Let's Get Pioneer Community Physical throughout Lockdown

### Our Challenge 'Travel from East Hoathly to Malawi' the distance of 6555 Miles

#### What do you need to do?

Walk, jog, cycle or scoot, as part of your outside exercise each day and keep track of your distance.

Every person who 'travels' can count their distance, so if 3 family members walk for 3 miles that would be 9 miles towards the journey.

At the end of the week fill your distance log sheet and email it to [traveltomalawi@pioneerfederation.co.uk](mailto:traveltomalawi@pioneerfederation.co.uk) Miss Denney (East Hoathly) who will then be combining all the distances together and giving us weekly updates. Feel free to also send in photos of your 'travels' so we can share them with our community.

All children, parents and staff are encouraged to take part!

#### Is this doable?

Of course! If 100 members of our four school community take part each member would need to do roughly an average of 13 miles per week across the 5 weeks until the end of February half term.



#### Why Malawi?

As part of our work to develop children's understanding of Christianity as a Global Faith and the differences in the lives led by Christians around the world, we are beginning to establish a link with the Christian charity

Starfish Malawi. Starfish Malawi is a Christian organisation whose vision is a just world where every child is educated, healthy and cared for. Their mission is to reduce extreme poverty and build the Kingdom of God in the lives of children, through collaborative work within communities, schools and churches in the UK and Malawi.

**READY, SET, GO.....**







## 'Travel from East Hoathly to Malawi' Distance Log

<u>Name (s):</u>		<u>School:</u>	
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<u>Day of the Week</u>	<u>Miles Travelled - Whole Family</u>
<u>Monday</u>	
<u>Tuesday</u>	
<u>Wednesday</u>	
<u>Thursday</u>	
<u>Friday</u>	
<u>Saturday</u>	
<u>Sunday</u>	
<u>Total Miles this week</u>	



Well Done -  
See if you can go even  
further next week!



## Dates for your diary 2020/2021

### Feb 2021

12th—International Day

12th—End of Term 3

22nd—First day of Term 4

### Mar 2021

5th—World Book Day

9th—Parent Consultations—4-6pm

11th—Parent Consultations—4-6pm

22nd—FGB Meeting

24th—Lockdown practice

31st—Parent Forum—9.00am

### Apr 2021

1st—Easter Service—9.25am

1st—End of Term 4

19th—First day of Term 5

27th—Parent Forum—2.45pm

### May 2021

3rd—Bank Holiday

11th—FGB Meeting

21st—Sports Day and Picnic

26th—Pioneer Day

28th—End of Term 5

### Jun 2021

7th—First day of Term 6

30th—Parent Forum

### Jul 2021

6th—Results Day

6th—Summer production dress rehearsal

8th—Summer production—2pm

8th—Summer production—6.30pm

30th—Parent Forum

### Jul 2021

12th—Residential

13th—Residential

14th—Residential

## Dates for your diary 2020/2021

### Jul 2021

14th—FGB Meeting

16th—Reports out to parents

17th—Groundforce

20th—Parent Consultations—reports only

22nd—Leavers' Service—9.25am

22nd—End of Term 6

23rd—INSET Day

