

APLEY NEWS

Headteacher News

I hope you have had a good week and are keeping well. It is very positive news to hear that we can re-open for all pupils in September, I'm really looking forward to having everyone back in school together. Please be assured that we will do everything we can to make the beginning of the new school year as positive as possible. I will be sending out more details about this over the coming weeks.

School will be closed over the Summer holiday to enable us to prepare fully for September.

Staff news

Unfortunately, it is that time of year when we have to say goodbye to some members of staff. Miss Emma Bloore, Miss Rebecca Wade and Mrs Rachel Nightingale will be leaving us in July, at the end of term. I would like to thank them for all their hard work and commitment to Apley and wish them all well in the future.

Mrs Rebecca Hindle will be joining us in September, to teach Year 3, and we are very much looking forward to welcoming her into the Apley community. I am also delighted to say that Mrs Jo Pitt, will be returning for September in Reception and Miss Gemma Craig will be returning to Year 3 in October. Miss Shaw-Jones will be teaching Base 9 until Miss Craig returns.

Following Mrs Thorpe's appointment as Deputy Headteacher earlier this term, Mrs Sam Williams has been temporarily appointed as Assistant Headteacher for one year from September. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating her. Mrs Williams will continue with some teaching as a job share with Mrs Richards in Year 5, Base 12.

Reports

School reports will be sent home on 10th July. These focus on the Autumn and Spring term. The attainment and progress measures included are what your child was achieving before the school closure as we didn't have opportunity then to share our usual end of term progress data.

Headteacher awards for this week are awarded to:



Finlay C	Esha	Matilda	Sophie TR	Ethan HW
Bobby B	Archer	Jacob C	Muhammed I	Rex
Taylor N	Manelle	Dayton	James W	Jacob K
Jaiden M	Shiloh	Ewan	Muniya	Charlotte LF

Home learning Headteacher awards: **Finlay** Y3 has been doing a lot of work, including his own research, **Esha** and **Matilda** in Y4 have completed every piece of My Maths that has been set, **Sophie TR**, Y4 has completed a fantastic project about Pompeii and **Ethan** in Y5 has done a lot of different project work. Congratulations, I am proud of your efforts and achievements. Please keep sending the messages and photographs in, we love to see and hear about your home learning successes.

Thank you again for your continuing support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Have a lovely weekend.

Ellen Smith - Headteacher



We're working towards Artsmark
Awarded by Arts Council England

Super Sydney

Sydney has been doing some amazing work at home. While studying the Romans, he and his family took some time out to visit Wroxeter with its own Roman city remains. He has also been doing lots of baking, which looks delicious, and exploring nonsense poetry. Sydney has even created his own poem called The Monster Zoo.

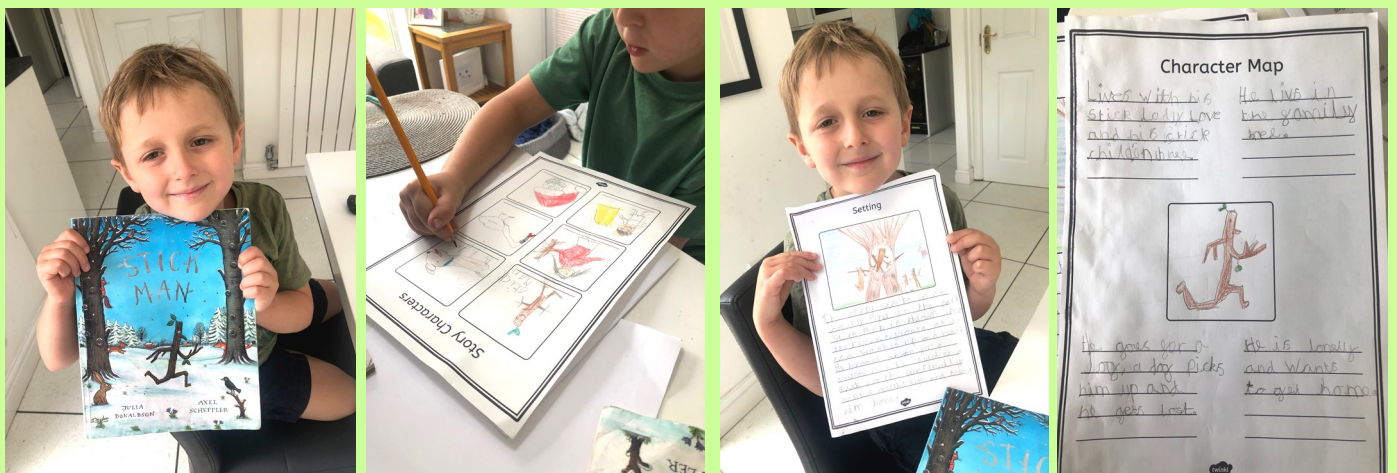
Sydney has enjoyed lots of projects including making some stained glass artwork of animals, a Roman shield and sword and some 3d dinosaurs. It has been a varied school work rota, to keep it as fun and interesting as possible. He and his family have even made a lockdown recipe book which is fantastic! We are very grateful that you have shared your achievements with us. Thank you Sydney!



Hello from Henry

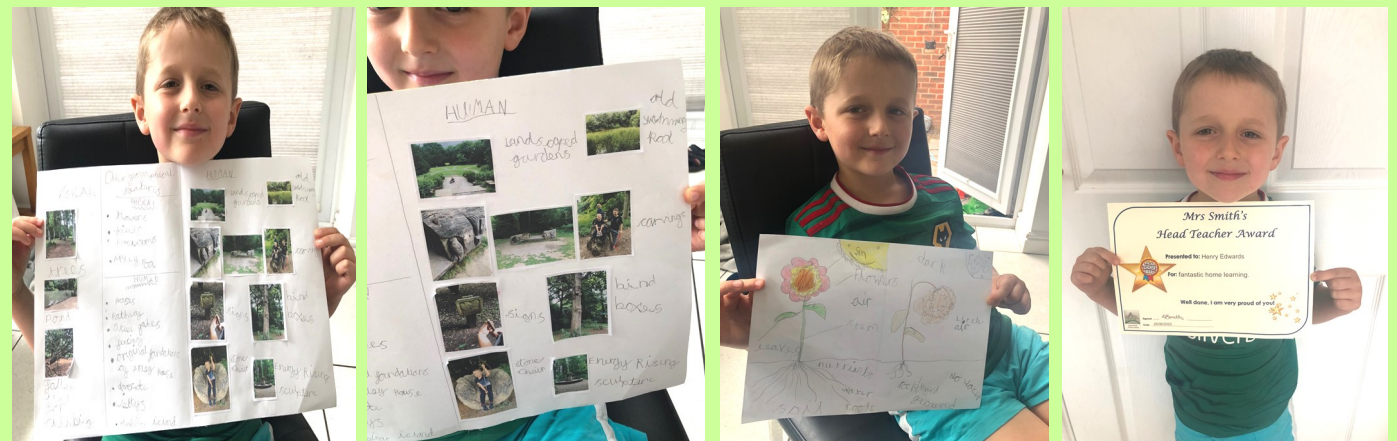
Henry has been a busy little man again this week. He's been doing his daily spellings, White Rose maths exercises, lots of English work and lovely reading too.

For his project, based on Stick Man, Henry has written about his favourite part of the book, completed a character map, written about the setting for the story, and done some word detective exercises to find nouns, adjectives and verbs. He's also drawn an alternative book cover and drawn out the main story characters.



Henry has also enjoyed a lovely walk to Apley Woods, exploring the geographical features he saw, and then he made a poster showing his findings. He's watched some science videos on plants, talked about what plants need to grow, and drawn a plant diagram.

He was very excited to receive his certificate in the post for his home learning. Well done Henry, super work!





TT Rock Stars Winners

This week's winners are:

Year 1: Madi S, Year 2: Megan, Year 3: Finlay C,
Year 4: Zach, Year 5: Zara H, Year 6: Katelyn

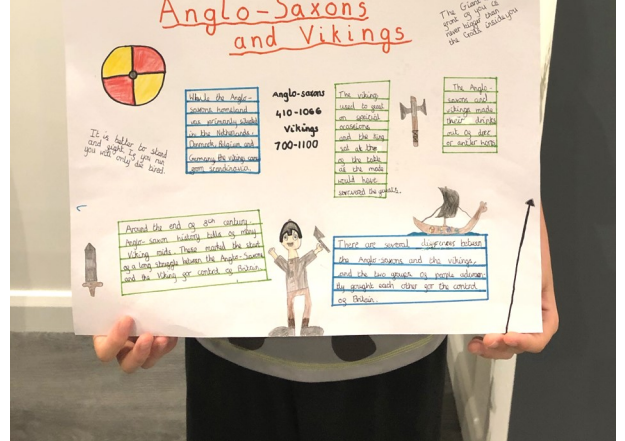
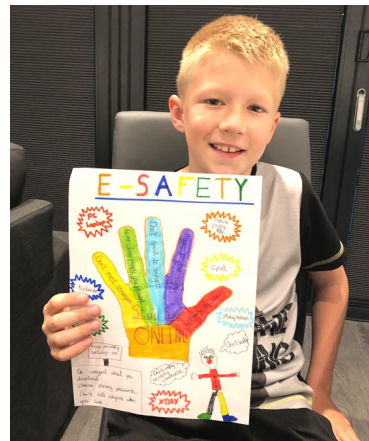
Well done to all of this week's TT Rockstars top users! Keep up the hard work.

Mr Taylor

Out Of This World

Ethan, year 5, has worked really hard on his project at home this week and it's amazing. He has really enjoyed learning about the solar system making a model of Saturn and writing interesting facts about Jupiter, Mars and Saturn. Also as part of BBC Bitesize, in English he has created a poster and chose E-Safety for his topic.

One of his favourite subjects is History so he has really enjoyed researching facts on Anglo-Saxons & Vikings. Some really impressive work Ethan, and it shows how hard you have worked. Well done and thanks for sharing.



Happy Home Workers

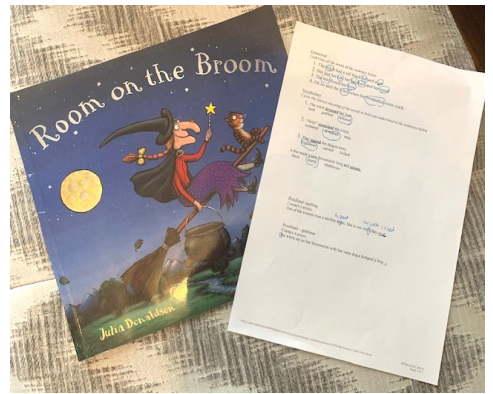
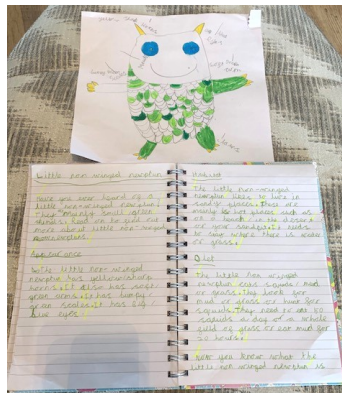
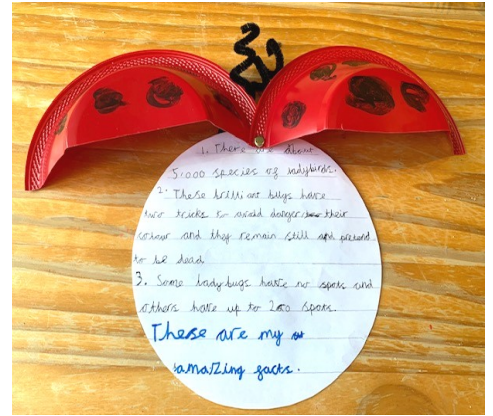
Josh (left) has been enjoying completing some activities on Purple Mash this week. Meanwhile, Freddie (right) received his signed copy of *The Boy who dreamed of Dragons* and a postcard from the author Andy Shepherd. Freddie has been keeping up with his reading and likes to read to his pet dragon called Blue.

Well done boys!



Fabulous Work & Fun In The Sun

Scarlett has had a very productive few weeks. She has been working through the activities on the school website, doing daily Oak National English and foundation lessons and has been very interested in learning about oceans this week. Scarlet has also cleverly designed her own creature in English. There have been daily White Rose maths lessons, TT Rock Stars and MyMaths. She enjoyed the challenge of choosing a mini beast and had fun researching about ladybirds. During the sunny weather Scarlet visited Cardingmill Valley and spent time playing in a little stream and building a dam.



The Final Frontier

Ross from Base 12 has been working incredibly hard on his space project over the last couple of weeks.

He started by watching the Oak National Academy assembly on Discovery, with the British astronaut, Helen Sharman, talking about her visit to the Mir Space Station. He then really enjoyed watching the SpaceX Launch online and followed Bob and Doug's journey to the International Space Station on Crew Dragon. Inspired by what he'd watched, he completed a fun Space themed activity book and learnt lots of facts about space and the solar system. He shared his favourite facts with us on a giant fact sheet and coloured pictures of the Earth, Sun, Saturn, a satellite, an astronaut and an alien to decorate it.



His favourite fact from his research (and one I still can't get over) was that a full NASA space suit costs a whopping £12 million pounds!

Mrs Williams



Double Figures!

Many happy returns to Yuvraj who has just celebrated his 10th birthday. Congratulations Yuvraj, we hope you had a lovely day and lots of fabulous presents.

Yuvraj's proud mum sent a birthday photo along with some photos of his baby brother, Ranveer. He is just the cutest!





Lunch Time Collectibles

The new lunch time routine has given rise to a new collecting craze! The lunch time sandwiches are served in their individual lunch boxes with everything the children need and there are lots of different designs. Pictured here is Loucas proudly displaying his collection so far.

All children in Reception, year 1 and 2 are entitled to Universal Free School meals, so if they would like a school sandwich lunch these can be ordered on the day during registration, and there is a hot meal served on Fridays.



Network Rail have brought schools attention to a high level of trespassing on the tracks by young people.

In partnership with **Learn Live** they are working to help raise awareness to students across the UK educating them about the dangers of the train tracks as there have been **1,024 incidents** since lockdown began.

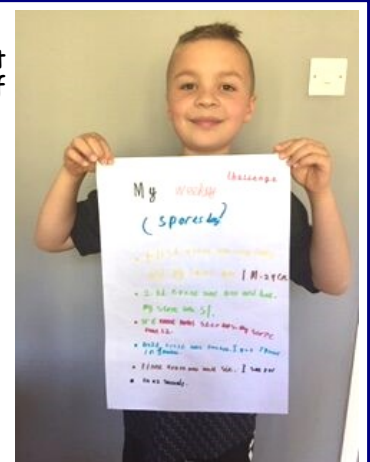
Safety videos are available on the Learn Live website (best viewed when using Google Chrome/Edge browser.) Primary school version: Age 7-11. <https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk/>

Sports Day Challenge

Ross managed to complete his sports day challenge last week on the hottest day of the year so far! He put together 5 different events and kept a record of his times and scores. Brilliant work Ross! - Mrs Williams.

My weekly Challenge (Sports day)

- **First event was Long Jump and my score was 1m.29cm.**
- **2nd event was Bat and ball. My score was 51.**
- **3rd event was Step ups. My score was 52.**
- **Next event was Football. I got 7 goals in 1 minute.**
- **Final event was wall sit. I sat for 1m02 seconds.**



Noah's a knockout!

Noah has been working his way through his work pack and has been practising his 8 times tables. Additionally, he has gone back over how to tell the time and labelled a clock brilliantly. Well done!

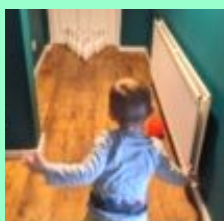
Noah has designed his own ice cream, painted it (using water colours) and labelled it. His family will be buying him ingredients so that he can make it very soon.

With lovely, neat handwriting, Noah made a Father's Day card too. Keep up the good handwriting.

Enjoying the sunshine, Noah played in his pool and brought bowling (one of his hobbies from before Lockdown) to his house. He even got a few strikes and won which made him very happy.

All of this sounds brilliant Noah!

Mrs Richards



Fabulous Finlay

Over the past couple of weeks, Finlay has really enjoyed learning all about Pompeii, Vesuvius and volcanoes. He created his own paper mache volcano. This then inspired Finlay to research into other natural disasters, such as earthquakes, too.

On his guitar, Finlay has been learning how to play some Beatles songs. This sounds very impressive! Finlay has made the most of the sunshine by riding his bike lots too.

Wow - this sounds fantastic!

Well done Finlay!

Mrs Richards



Lunchtime Supervisors Award




Congratulations to the following children who have received lunchtime supervisor awards this week.

Ruby H	Aluna	Tobiah	Dawson	Rosie-Mae
Seerat	Ami JM	Amelia S	Finley BD	Harry S
	Spencer	Zach	Farron	

This week's children have been nominated by our wonderful lunchtime team and some of the class teachers for lots of lovely reasons such as being an excellent role model, being kind, lovely table manners, settling in well with the new lunchtime rules, being kind to another member of class, being a team player and lots more.

Well done to everyone who received an award this week!

Sophie's Fashions



This week, Sophie in year 4, decided to do some tie dye work for an art project at home. She started by covering and protecting the work surface and used elastic bands to tie her items up. With some grown up help, she mixed the dye ready to cover the items she wanted to use. Sophie then placed each item in a small bag and tied them up to be left overnight.

The next day she took each one out of the bags, washed them, and hung them out to dry resulting in some fabulous fashions!



