



## Derwentwater Primary School | Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

### Message from Mrs Gardner

Another successful week at school with 30% of the children back. We can no longer accept any more children to the eligible year groups or key worker bubbles as we are at full capacity. Guidance was released on Thursday for September opening. Guidance for parents from the DFE:

<https://tinyurl.com/y79b2awp>

We are delighted to be opening school in September to all children and will be updating parents further in the coming days.

Well done to all of the children engaging with home learning. We understand that motivation might be waning for some as we approach the summer holidays. Learning can take place anywhere and in a variety of ways so continue to do what is best for your family and celebrate your achievements.

We are very excited about 'Move Up Week' next week when children from years 2 to 5 are invited back to school to meet their new teacher. Your child will attend either a morning or afternoon session from 10-12 or 1-3. During this time, children will meet their new teacher and have a chance to say goodbye to their last teacher. Uniform is optional. Please see the welcome back booklets and videos on the school website to help children prepare to come back to school. A reminder to maintain social distancing outside the school gates when you arrive. Parents are expected to say goodbye at the gate and the teachers will be ready to welcome your children in and follow the safety measures in place to keep everyone safe. Reception and Year 1 children already at school, will meet their teachers at an allocated time in the week.

Families who choose not to send their children in for their move up day can access a hello video from their new teacher on Google Classroom. Children in Reception and Year 1 who did not return should also access the hello video on Google Classroom.

### Nursery

Nursery children have been learning about dinosaurs this week. We hope that children enjoyed reading the fact cards about dinosaurs and chose their favourite one to create their own dinosaur face mask. Next week's learning is going to be all about 'Under the sea' creatures. We can't wait to see you for our weekly Google meet group this Friday at 11:45. Please use the link below to join the meeting.

Google meet link: [meet.google.com/vui-opvk-avh](https://meet.google.com/vui-opvk-avh)

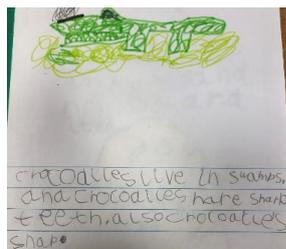
### Year 1 and 2

Year 1 has been thinking about crazy creatures this week. We wrote about what they would look like and even tried making them from playdough.



Year 2 had a chance to say "Hello" to Ms Mendykowska and Mr Stevenson this week. It was a great chance to see everyone else in the class and to find out how everyone is.

### Reception



This week in Reception we have been learning all about reptiles. We drew a picture of our favourite reptile and wrote some interesting facts about our drawings.

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### Year 3 and 4

The teachers in Years 3 and 4 are all looking forward to catching up with their children next week in their class google meets. It'll be a lovely opportunity to see each other and celebrate your achievements even though we cannot all see each other at school. Look for our weekly Google Classroom video where children will listen to their class teacher's sad 'goodbye' for this year. Next week, the teachers are also looking forward to meeting the children with their new classes in September: current Year 3s on Wednesday 8th and current Year 4s on Tuesday 7th July. Children will be meeting their teacher in bubbles so please check timings. We hope you can all make it then.

### Year 5 and 6

Last week, year 5 completed some amazing automatic drawings inspired by Juan Miro and Kadinsky. Here is Elias and Gwen's artwork.



Thanks to all the boys and girls who have recommended a book for our Year 5 Book Club and to everyone who has contributed a recipe for the Bake Off. Keep them coming!

To make your mouth water, here's Sabrina's triple layer cake....



Preparations are underway for graduation and the children have been practising their singing in their bubbles.

The lyrics have been added to Google Classroom so please practise at home if you are not attending school but will be attending graduation. Children have been learning about

3D shapes in Maths this week. Thank you to Lucy for sharing the 3D shapes she found at home.

Can you name these 3D shapes?



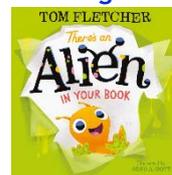
The blue bubble has been busy putting their memories of primary school together and creating a great finished piece. Well done.

### Reading Buddy

Well done to all the children who are continuing to log onto Reading Buddy every week and improve their reading comprehension. Please encourage your child to continue reading at home either online or with a book at home.



### Reading



Picture book of the month for July: There's an Alien in my book is the next in the series of bestsellers. There's a Monster in Your Book and There's a Dragon in Your Book. It's packed full of interactive fun, with a gentle message about openness, acceptance and inclusion that will speak to our young readers. Activity Books: The best activity books for young children make the perfect boredom-busters that don't involve a tablet. Ideal for reducing that screen time, they're a wonderful alternative that can boost creativity and learning at the same time as being fun to do. You can find a list on this website: <https://www.mirror.co.uk/money/shopping-deals/best-activity-books-young-kids-21914168> For our younger readers- Reception and Year 1- visit the Read Write Inc website for story time on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2 o'clock. Join Nick reading stories by well-known authors such as Oliver Jeffries.

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/>

Children have loved the World's Worst Children tales and revelled in the World's Worst Teachers with their delightfully dreadful deeds- now prepare to meet...

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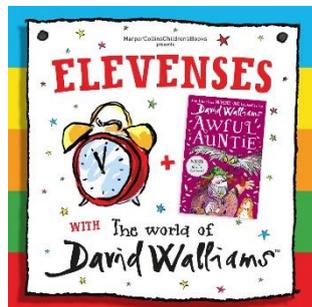
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## The World's Worst Parents!

To meet the cast click on the link below:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4WLhqK9QWbw>

Did you think Audio Elevenses was over?!  
Well, think again!

David Walliams' epic audiobook adventure **THE ICE MONSTER** will be stampeding into the Elevenses slot on Monday!



Get ready for a sizzling summer of supertastic sounds from The World of David Walliams, starting with the story of a 10-year-old girl, and a 10,000-year-old mammoth...

New audio extracts released every weekday at 11am, with catch-up for the week available each Saturday and Sunday!  
<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>

### Assembly

**Story:** A red, white and blue paint job on the Prime Minister's plane has recently been revealed.

**Question:** How important are first impressions?

**Virtual Assembly:** Now live on the Picture News Vimeo channel!

<https://vimeo.com/channels/picturenews>



### This week's British Value



## Counselling support

If you feel that you or your child need any support during these difficult times and particularly now the school has had to shut, please do get in touch with me.

Please contact me on the following:

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## Inclusion

### WHAT IS AUTISM?

Autism is much more common than most people think. There are around 700,000 autistic people in the UK - that's more than 1 in 100. People from all nationalities and cultural, religious and social backgrounds can be autistic, although it appears to affect more men than women.



Read more about autism on the National Autistic Society's website:

<https://www.autism.org.uk/about/what-is/asd.aspx>

### SAFEGUARDING DURING SCHOOL CLOSURE:

If you need to get hold of the Designated Safeguarding Officer, please contact Mrs Karen Hankin via email Parentcomms. If you are concerned about a child, please call Social Care on 0208 825 8000

### Childline

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

Childline are there for you all day and all night. You can talk to them about anything. No problem is too big or too small.



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