



Dear Holly Parkers,

I hope that you are all still enjoying your home learning. I have enjoyed receiving photographs of the things that you have been doing. Year 5 enjoyed a virtual trip to the National Gallery – you can see them enjoying their picnics and some artwork they did if you look on the Year 5 page of the website. Also, Mr French played an April Fool's maths joke on Year 5 this week!

I loved the rainbow pictures that you sent me – I hope you have put them in your window – they are very beautiful. They make me feel hopeful that this virus will soon be gone and we can all get back to school. I wonder if you went out to clap for the amazing NHS staff last Thursday night. Lots of people came out to clap in my street – it was a wonderful experience. Poppy can't clap so she joined in with a few barks at the front door.

Do look out for another song on the school website from Mr Hogan. Also, have you listened to the stories that Mrs Thrasyvoulou is recording? They are on the nursery page.

I can also see that you have been doing lots of exercise this week. Thank you for the pictures – you have come up with some interesting ways to exercise. I think that the Joe Wicks work out each day is very popular. I know that one of our school governors tried it and so did Miss Hounslow! I wish I could have seen that! I have been taking Poppy for a nice walk each day and we have been throwing balls for her in the garden every day so that she has to run after them. I think she has had lots of fun but she doesn't want to give the ball back when she's caught it!

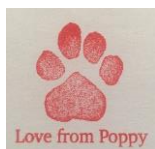


The Holly Park playground appeal that we talked about in assembly has done brilliantly well. Thanks to donations from Holly Park families, friends and relatives we have reached our target of £5,000! Isn't that wonderful?

There will be no work set by your teachers for the next two weeks as it is the Easter holidays. However, Miss Michael has two Rights Respecting tasks for you to do over the holidays (one each week) which she will email to your parents. Do send me photographs of these. You can of course visit the many links and websites that we have put on the school website. Some other ideas that you might also like to try over the holidays:

- Put a teddy bear in your window so that children can see them when they go for a walk – like a teddy bear hunt. People around the world are doing this.
- In a similar way – help the Easter Bunny by making an Easter egg hunt – draw and colour in a large Easter egg and put it in your window.
- Draw a picture for the walls of the new NHS Nightingale hospital. I sent your parents the address to email these to. Your pictures will cheer the patients up.

Do try and keep in touch with your friends and family – writing to them, texting, emailing, using face time and other online methods. Remember: 'However far apart we are we'll always be together..... Holly Park forever!'



Love Mrs Pelham and

Love from Poppy