

Year 1 Home Learning

Week 12



St Catherine's
CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Year 1 families,

We know these last few weeks have not always been easy; they have certainly not been anything like we expected. We have missed welcoming your little faces at the classroom door each morning. We've missed sharing your achievements, and watching you grow in confidence and understanding over the summer term.

None of us will forget this year. We have lived through 'history in the making', as they say, and we will look back on these times with mixed feelings. What memories do you hold of your time in Year 1? If we could bottle our top memories, they would be:

1. Our penguin class assemblies. Watching you all confidently speak and sing in front of a large audience made us so proud. You all looked so happy and knowledgeable! You are all definitely penguin experts!
2. The wonderful books we have shared together. We have shared SO many wonderful books! We started with books by Julia Donaldson in the Autumn term. Followed by books by Sue Hendra, Oliver Jeffers and Kes Gray. Oh how we've laughed reading the 'Oi Frog' books! We've cheered together when Supertato saved the day and we've reflected when reading books like 'Lost and Found'. Your faces lit up when it was storytime. We loved nothing more than reading to you.
3. Your excited faces as you arrived at school on our DT day and your proud smiles as you made your own vehicles. Sawing your own axis was a highlight of the day and decorating the vehicles was great fun. A real memory to treasure!
4. How kind, responsible and HeartSmart you were to each other. You made us so proud to be your teachers.

Thank you boys and girls for the memories and the learning we have shared. Thank you parents and carers for your continued help and support throughout the school year. We have all grown and learnt together, and as the door on Year 1 closes, the door on Year 2 will open. Keep working hard and being the best you can be, but most importantly keep on being 'you'. Below is a poem that we think you will enjoy reading with your families.

Wishing you all a happy, safe and fun-filled summer,

Mrs Ross, Miss Wheeler, Miss Townsend, Mrs Shelley, Mrs Jones,
Miss Conway and Mrs Hulagu ☺



The Rainbow Children

By Gemma Peacock

The history books will talk of now,
That time the world stood still.
When every family stayed at home,
Waved out from windowsills-
At those they loved but could not hold,
Because they loved them so.
Yet, whilst they did they noticed all the flowers start to grow.



The sun came out, they can recall,
And windows, rainbows filled.
They kicked a football in their yards,
Until the night drew in.
They walked each day but not too close,
That time the world stood still.
When people walked straight down the roads,
That once the cars did fill.

They saw that people became ill,
They knew the world was scared.
But whilst the world stood still they saw,
How much the whole world cared.
They clapped on Thursdays from their doors,
They cheered for the brave.
For people who would risk their lives,
So others could be saved.



The schools closed down, they missed their friends,
They missed their teachers so.
Their Mum's and Dad's helped with their work,
They helped their minds to grow.
The parents used to worry that,
As schools were put on hold,
Their children wouldn't have the tools,
They'd need as they grew old.

But history books will talk of them,
Now adults, fully grown.
Those little boys and girls back then,
The ones who stayed at home.
They'll tell you that they fixed this world,
Of all they would fulfil.



The rainbow children building dreams,
They'd dreamed whilst time stood still.