

Dear Rousseau Class,

As always, I am still missing you all, your smiles, your laughter, your chatter and of course your wonderful hugs very much. It has really brightened my days to get your emails to hear about how hard you are working but also to hear about how much fun you are having with your families too. That is so important!

This week would have been half term. We have planned lots of fun things for you to try if you choose, both indoors and outdoors. Let's hope that the good weather returns and we have lots of beautiful sunshine. Remember that this is holiday time, so there is no pressure to do any of the ideas. In fact, some of you may feel that it is a chance to take a well deserved rest from school work and enjoy quality family time together. I know that it has been very hard for parents trying to balance work and school! Shay and Corey are VERY excited for a week off from home learning. Maybe they don't like their teacher. I have heard she is very strict haha. ☺ They have planned a pyjama day with movies and games!

It is Thomas' birthday on Friday. We all hope you have a wonderful day Thomas and that you have lots of fun with your family. Hopefully the sun will shine too. We can't wait to hear about it when we return to school! Let's give him our special cheer...

HIP HIP HOORAY!

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AND ONE FOR LUCK SAYS DONALD DUCK QUACK, QUACK, QUACK!

Here are this week's much awaited 'Shout Outs'. Remember you can ask your grown up to log onto Twitter @ OLQOPPrimary and then you can see what they have been doing. There is a Rousseau Class page for you to follow and Constable and Mondrian also have pages too. Remember you can leave a comment on your friends' posts so they know you have seen their wonderful work. That would really make their day! ☺

REMARKABLE ROUSSEAU SHOUT OUTS!!!



Update from Nathanael!!! Did you guess who he had been keeping busy? Yes it was the tooth fairy and he got £2! Wow! He is also racing through his reading books! Just fabulous! Well done Nathanael!



James and his Mum took on a virtual solo run challenge with Great Run to raise money for the NHS. James ran one mile every day for seven days in a row. Can you believe he completed his last mile in 12 minutes 13 seconds! AMAZING! We are so proud of you James.



We love your idea of board games nights too. This one looks like lots of fun!



Fraser posted a video of him doing an excellent job on column addition with exchanging. Marvellous Maths Fraser!

Mrs Elder and Mrs Cresswell said they were very proud too!



Myles has been busy working with capacity this week. He sorted his liquids from smallest to largest capacity then into more/less than 1ltr. He had to look carefully on each bottle to find how much each one held. Amazing!



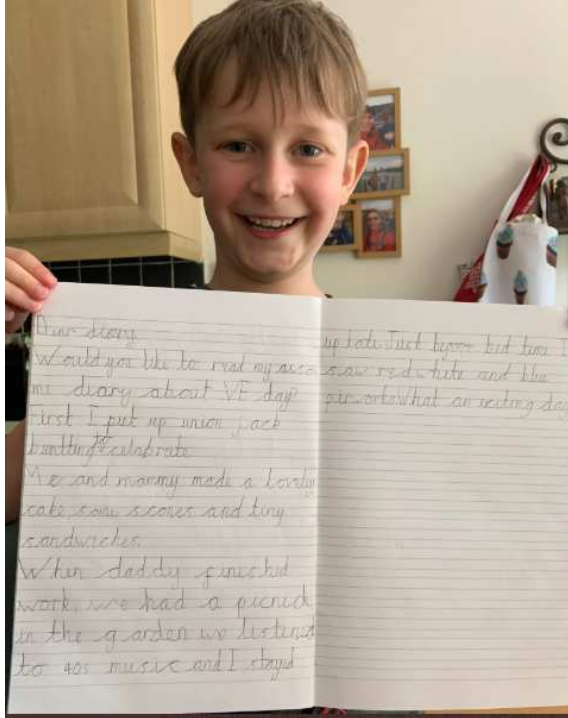
Myles and Miyah were investigating practically too! Water a lot of fun! Do you think they got wet?



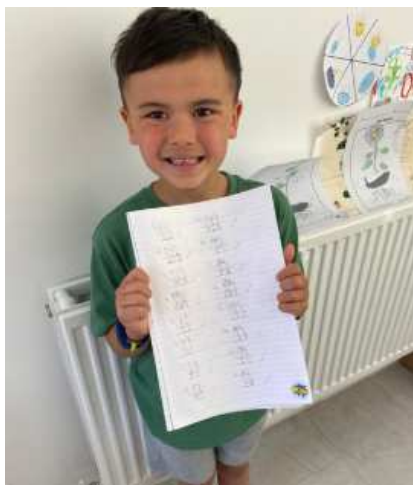
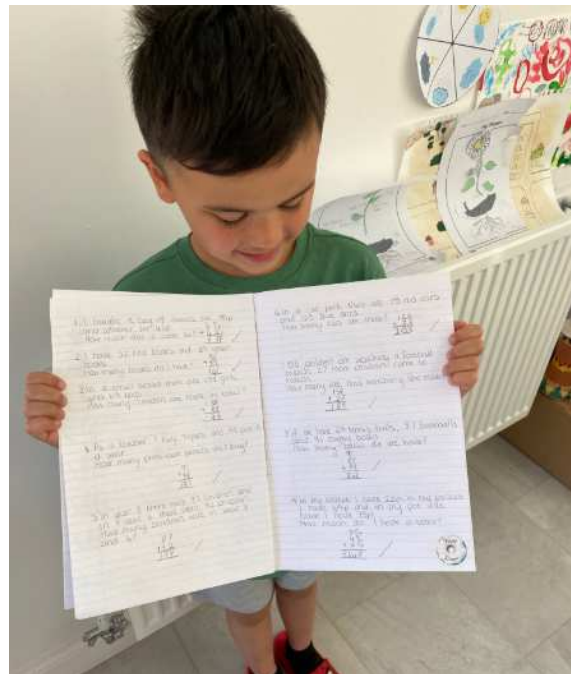
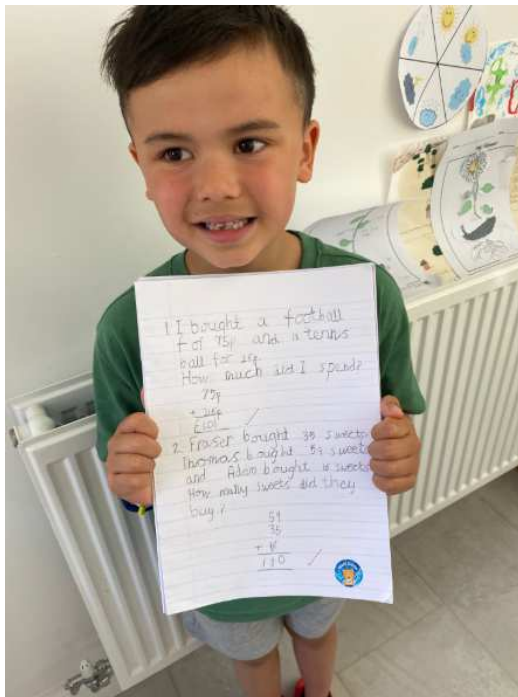
Harry has been challenging himself with 3 digit numbers in his column addition and is now joining his writing. WOW!



Myles has been a 'Master Builder' this week and has carefully followed instructions to make this awesome Knex truck this morning. Cool!



Fraser had an exciting VE day.  
Read all about it in his diary entry!



Harry rose to some extra challenges and definitely deserved an afternoon in the garden with a pool and BBQ. The Lamond boys were very jealous!

This week I was moved to tears by Fraser's wonderful poem for 'Thank a Teacher Day'. Mrs Brown and Mrs Fraser loved it too. Thank you so much Fraser and family.

I started off in Nursery,  
Under the care of Mrs Brown.  
Lots of other staff were there  
They'd hardly ever frown.

They taught me how to share and care  
And how letters made a sound.  
I wore a blue T-shirt then.  
A better start, I couldn't have found.

Next it was Reception  
And a yellow T-shirt for me.  
I still had Mrs Brown you know.  
She was the best a teacher could be!

Moving on and growing up,  
I made it to year one.  
Would I like my new teacher?  
Mrs Fraser was the funniest, bar none.

Every day, on her face,  
She always had a smile.  
I learned new things to help me grow  
My best teacher for a while.

My final year in Key Stage 1.  
It started really well  
But Mrs Lamond had to leave  
When she hurt her foot and fell.

So instead we got Mrs P.  
Her name's quite hard to say.  
She was able to take our class  
And she came in every day.

Finally Mrs Lamond came back.  
I was really quite excited  
But then the school had to close.  
My time with her was blighted.

Instead of going into school  
We had to stay away.  
She kept in touch throughout it all  
Keeping my doubts at bay.

I'm still learning lots of things  
Each and every day  
Just not at school - I miss it.  
We'll be back soon, I pray.

The thing about Mrs Lamond  
Is that I really like her style.  
She's helps me when I need it  
My best teacher for a while.

I wonder who I'll get next year.  
I'm sure they'll pass the test.  
I guess I'll have to wait and see.  
I'm sure they'll be the best.



Thomas and Fearne wanted to make a  
GIANT cookie, so a GIANT cookie  
they made!

I have never seen a cookie so big! Shay  
and Corey's mouths were watering!

COLOSSAL! 😊



Olivia got a wonderful surprise in  
the post this week for all her  
hard work. Her smile says it all!

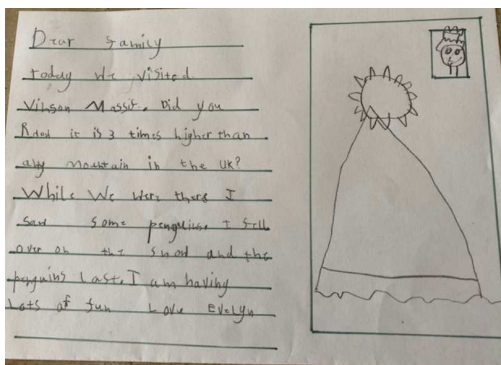
I wonder who will be next?

Watch this space...



Olivia is really working hard on telling the time and is continuing to be creative. She said "Don't worry Mrs Lamond I haven't dyed my hair...they are extensions." I think they look beautiful. What do you think?

She has also come up with a wonderful idea for spreading happiness but I will keep it a secret for now. Watch this space Rousseau class...



Evelyn has been researching Antarctica, writing postcards, identifying continents and learning all about odd and even

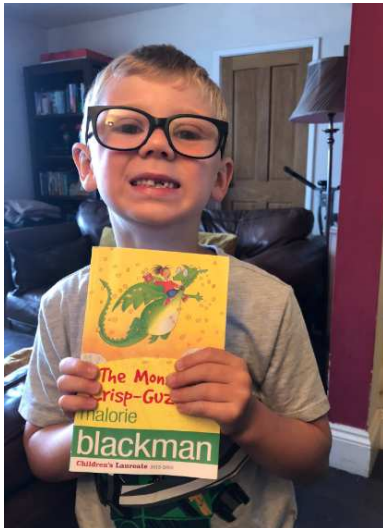
numbers. What a star! Well done Evelyn!





Lola has been working hard on her Maths and English this week. She is also continuing to work on her time telling skills. She has also been doing different stories through yoga with mum. I love

Alice in Wonderland too Lola...maybe I should give it a try with Shay and Corey?



Nathanael has developed a love of reading during our time away from school. He thought the Monster Crisp-Guzzler was fabulous and he is already on to his next book. What have you been reading? Let us know your recommendations! (Sunday night update...Nathanael has finished Happy Mouseday too! Brilliant work!!!)



Instead of research about Penshaw Monument, Thomas and Fearne researched the Victoria Viaduct as they pass it most days. This is their creation of it (with a little cutting help from grown ups). Definitely one for a frame Williamson family! ☺



Myles collected lots of interesting flowers and leaves on our Lambton Worm walk on Sunday. He decided to display them in this Perspex box.

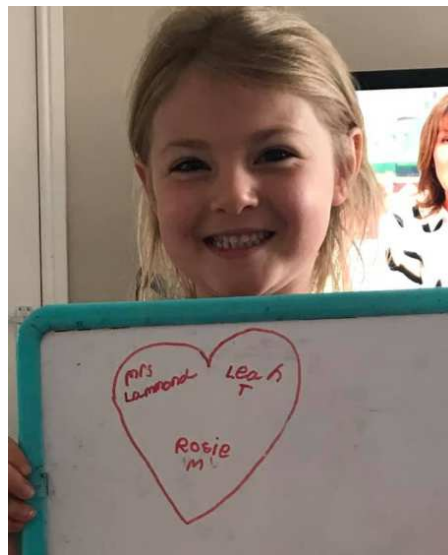
Don't they look beautiful!

I have had another very busy week. As always, Shay and Corey are keeping me busy with their home schooling. I have to upload Corey's work on to his school's Google classroom everyday. They set lots of work with screen shots or worksheets so I have developed my ICT skills in order to teach Corey how to adapt them or snip them and input text on them. As a result Corey's ICT skills are getting very good now too! I was at school for meetings with Mrs Reilly O'Donnell and Mrs Maher on Wednesday and I was lucky enough to spend some time with the key worker children. Evelyn did some wonderful maths work and we made daisy chains in the sunshine. I forgot how tricky it was! Do you know how to make them?

Mrs Edwards is keeping up to date with you on Twitter and is missing you very much too.

Even though it is half term next week I will be in school on Wednesday again with the key worker children and will be busy planning lots of fun things for you to do. If you have any ideas of things you really want to learn please share them with me and I will see what I can do.

If you remember from last week's update, I got involved in Mrs Burnicle's and Evelyn's phonic sessions on You Tube. Did you spot me this week?



It was wonderful to see Leah and Isla-Rose taking part. It really filled my heart with happiness to see that Isla-Rose had included me in her heart. I have missed that smile Isla-Rose! 😊

Although sadly the sessions have now ended you can still follow this link to watch and learn from past sessions.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sR88eraWMPg>

You can also access it from Facebook at 'Phonics with Adelle'.

Huge thanks must go to Mrs Burnicle and family for providing this wonderful resource and support at this uncertain time. It has been greatly appreciated.

Here are some jokes to keep you smiling. Shay and Corey's are Star Wars related as Corey makes us watch one every Saturday. I wasn't keen at first but I am really enjoying them. The boys think it is funny though as I cry at most of them...even at the end of Return of the Jedi! 😊

Mr Lamond -

Why did the teddy bear not finish dessert?

Because he was stuffed!

Mrs Lamond -

Why did the teacher wear sunglasses?

Because her class were so bright! 😊

Shay -

**Luke:** What's for dinner tonight, dad?

**Anakin:** Wookiee steak.

**Luke:** Is it any good?

**Anakin:** It's a little chewy!

Corey -

Why did Anakin Skywalker cross the road?

To get to the Dark Side!

Perhaps you could think of some jokes too to send to your friends to make them laugh? Remember to keep your smiles bright until we get to reunite!

You are in my thoughts and in my heart everyday and I am very proud of you all for doing your best and for keeping smiling. As always I am just at the end of an email if you need me. Whether it is something you need help with, or simply just to say hello.

Until then remember to be good for your grown ups, have fun, be kind and stay safe.

Lots and lots of love, as always,

Mrs Lamond ☺

