



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Diocese of Plymouth

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Dear Parents and Carers,

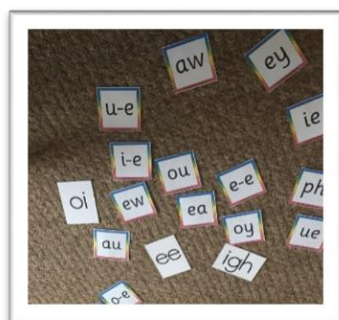
This week has probably made my top ten of most difficult weeks that I have ever experienced since becoming a Headteacher 11 years ago! Although I have had to make difficult decisions I have been blessed with extremely supportive staff, parents and governors. I cannot thank you all enough. The plan for after half term will be that we will continue to provide for the key worker and vulnerable groups, and the Reception and Year 6 children.



I know that some of you realised that it was National Thank a Teacher day on Wednesday, and you posted kind messages to teachers in the Google Classrooms. I wanted to take this opportunity to publically thank all my teaching assistants, teachers and all the staff who make it possible for us to teach your children in school. They have all gone above and beyond since this all started, giving of their own time and really making our school work. I cannot thank each and every one of them enough.

This week on my learning walk around the Google classrooms. I have come across many things that remind me why I became a teacher. Your children are all doing so well. They have great talents which will take them far. Here are just a few that I would like to share with you this week:

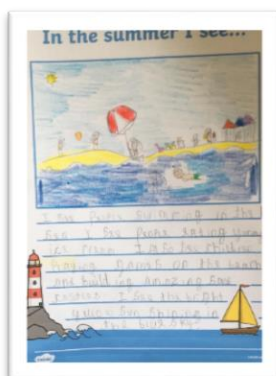
Zack has been matching



Mario could not visit a farm so he made an amazing one!



Henry's amazing writing



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**"Inspiring each other to learn, in the light of Christ"**

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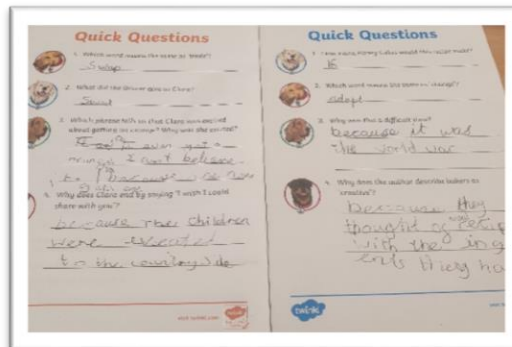
Henry's mini-challenge!



Joanna's SPAG work



Lara's reading comprehension



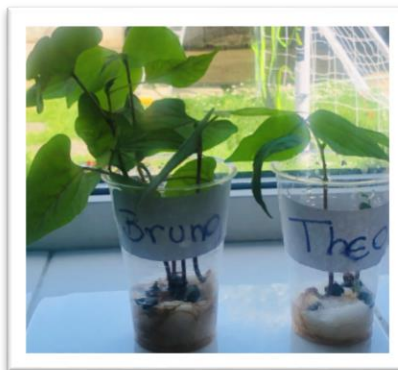
Jack's challenge to find as many things at home beginning with 'C'



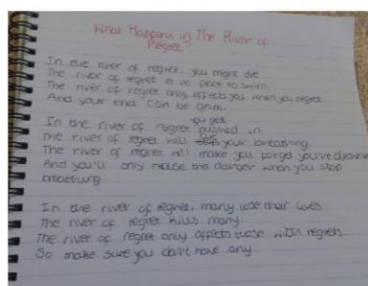
Samuel's amazing piece of work on 'Mary'



Bruno and his brother Theo's plant experiment



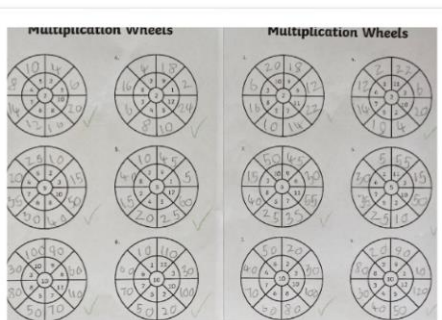
Emmanuella's writing



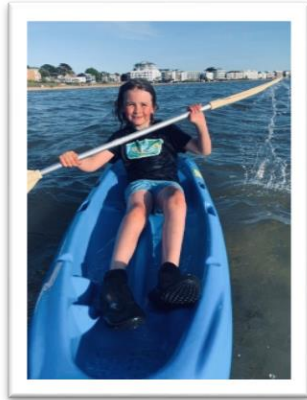
Alex's book recommendation



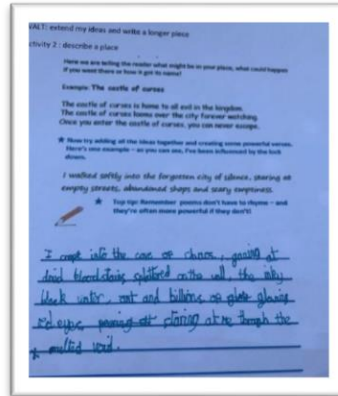
Ethan's multiplication wheels



## Fintan's amazing kayaking



## Samuel's writing task



The Value this week was 'Love' and I posted my liturgy on Monday on the classrooms as well as on the school website.

If your child is returning to school on June 1<sup>st</sup> and you need additional uniform, please contact Mrs Wright via the school email address. School will be closed next week for half term apart from for critical worker children so the office will be closed. However, if you need an email answering please send emails to [office@st-marys.poole.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-marys.poole.sch.uk) and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support, it really does mean a lot.

Yours faithfully,

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