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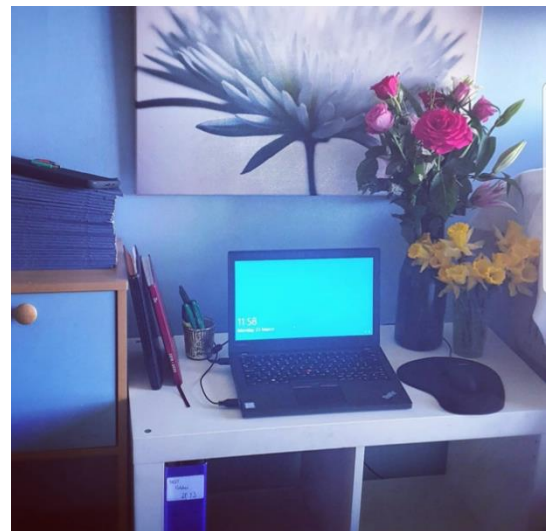
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To my lovely Year 3 Class,

I hope you are all well, staying safe and keeping healthy, and enjoying spending some time with your families at home.

Last Friday, I was already thinking about how much I was going to miss you all and hoping that we would be back in school again very soon. This week must have been very different for all of you and working from home has been very strange for me too, the beautiful flowers have really brightened up my workspace though - a very big thank you!

When I gaze out of my window, my thoughts always drift to my wonderful Year 3's... I miss seeing your faces when you learn something new, I miss the hugs you love to give (which last week turned into corona elbows!), I miss the kind words you say, I miss your wonderful, imaginative minds that make me chuckle, I miss my super class helpers always offering to do jobs and help out, I miss you reminding me to do the register every afternoon and I miss your funny little stories that you share with me. Overall, I just miss watching you learn, grow and shine every day.



Apart from spending lots of time thinking of all of you, I wanted to share some other things that I have also been up to at home this week. I am trying to exercise every day at home, Joe Wicks P.E in the morning is great to follow if you haven't done so already! I have also practiced some mindful moments at home this week, below is the link to the one we follow in class!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bk_qU7l-fcU

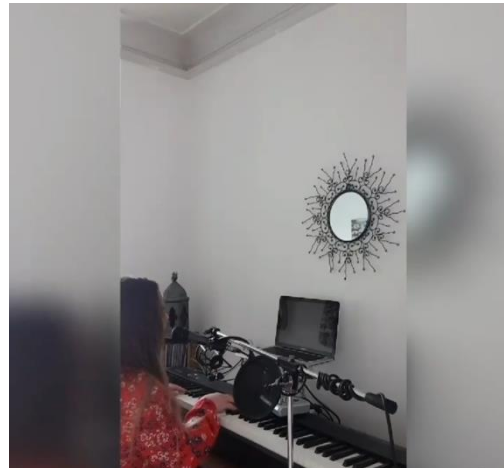
I absolutely love cooking and baking and this week, I have tried some new recipes. I made a very yummy lemon drizzle cake. Find the recipe I used below:

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/lemon-drizzle-cake>



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I have also been spending some time playing the piano and singing. Next term, we are learning about plants and I am hoping that when we are back in school for the summer term, we could write a class song about plants. It would be great if you started to have a think about some lyrics for the song too!



In the evenings, I have been reading and also listening to some great books! David Walliams is releasing one book per day for free on audible: <https://secretldn.com/david-walliams-audio-stories/>



Have any of you been busy baking or being creative this week? I look forward to hearing all about what you have been up to. Don't forget to keep a short diary/journal of your days at home!

Lastly, I have been keeping up to date with your learning at home and I can see that (nearly) all of you have been practicing some Maths online on MyMaths. I want to say a special well done though to **Luka** who has already completed 26 out of the 41 tasks set - super effort! I also want to say a congratulations to **Alexei** who is already a Rock Legend on Times Tables Rock Stars, which means you are answering the questions under 2 seconds, AMAZING! A big well done also to **Giovanna, Tommy and Amelia M** who are all Rock Stars!

Remember Year 3, you need to complete 10 games on studio to get your rock speed then keep practising and trying to improve that speed. I must admit that I wasn't very quick at first but remember practise makes perfect! I had great fun completing some of the challenges you have sent me - I am looking out for more of your challenges! To challenge me you need to go to multiplayer → rockslam → teachers.



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If you are feeling worried or need to talk to someone while school is closed, remember you can talk to a trusted adult at home or you can drop Mrs Watkins an email at wellbeing@emmanuel.camden.sch.uk. Childline also have lots of information that you might find useful. Click on the links below.

- information about [Coronavirus](#)
- [Calm Zone](#) - activities to help let go of stress
- [games](#) to help take your mind off things
- [Childline Kids](#), a website for under 12s.
- Childline can also give confidential help and advice. Calls to 0800 1111 are free or children can [get support online](#).

Next week, I will be logging on to MyMaths and leaving a comment for you on how you are doing so look out for that!

Miss Fitzsimmons has asked your parents if they would like to send in any tips or funny stories from this week whilst you are learning at home. Speak to your parents if you would like to do this for next week's newsletter.

I will be sending a 'Class Newsletter' every Friday. In the meantime, remember our school values and look after your parents as they try hard to work and be teachers too!

I will be thinking of your smiley faces and I know that you are all still shining at home and making me proud,

Miss Payne