

Dear Parent/Carers,

We hope you all have had a good week and kept safe and well. At school this week the children have continued to have lots fun inside and outside! The changeable weather hasn't stopped the smiles and fun! We hope everybody at home have kept busy too. Many of you at home will have spoken to your child's teacher this week and if you haven't please expect a call very soon! We are sharing 'wow' moments from school and home in our 'shout out' section below and within our Friday assembly.

Some parents have said that they would benefit from reading some different books at home. Therefore, we are setting up a book share scheme from Monday where you can take a book from the box outside the gate to read at home. These are donations from staff and parents and have all been cleaned. There will also be a donation box if you would like to donate. For safety, we will then keep them aside for 72 hours before cleaning them and sharing them with others. If you would prefer to buy some books for home, this website has been recommended for good deals: <https://www.books2door.com/>. Below there are also some links to some online reading for you. We hope this helps.

We have started to plan activities to help your child to prepare for them moving to year 2 in September. We will be sharing more information week by week for you to be involved, this will include videos from your child's new class teacher and information about year 1. We will do this gradually to prepare for the changes in a positive way. This will support your child at home and in school. We are planning a celebration and farewell with your child's Class Teachers and Teaching Assistants safely in July and will be in touch with details very soon. This will involve inviting small groups of children and parents to come to school to see their teacher and celebrate their time at Downs View and also giving your child an opportunity to say farewell!

Please remember that school is closed next **Friday 19th June** as it is a teacher training day. If you are a key worker and require provision, please contact the office.

As you are probably aware some restrictions within lockdown are lifting but we must still stay safe and follow Government guidance to keep yourselves and others safe too.

Have a great week!

Best wishes

Mrs Kent

Hello Year 1!

We hope you've had a great week at home with your families. We have been busy in school this week continuing to support the reception children as well as keeping in touch with all of you at home. We are all still missing you terribly and love to hear from you via our year group email so keep them coming!

Wow moments - From this week and moving forward we would like to include a wow moment from a child or children in year 1 that have done something amazing during the week. Please send anything in to the year group email that you feel deserves a mention and we will choose a couple to share each week. This week we'd like to share these with you.



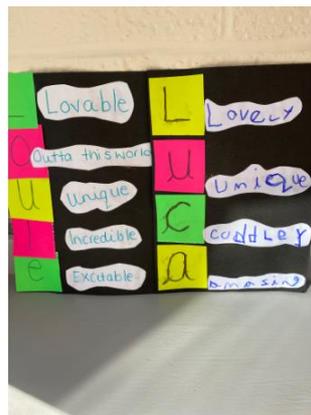
Wow moment!



Well done Maeve for creating these great UK flags and finding out about the different countries that make up the UK.



Wow moment!



Look at Luca and his brother's super work. They have created an acrostic of their names using some cool adjectives. Well done Luca!

In school:

Raniesha – for being a great helper to Mrs Little and for coming to school with a smile and trying her best.

Here are some home learning ideas for you to complete this week.

Phonics – Have a go at playing this fun frog game this week. There are also some other games on this website you might enjoy. Start with phase 3 and work your way up to phase 5.

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/phonics-frog?phase=5#>

English – This week we'd like you to listen to the story "Peace at last".

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9U9y35kWBvM> Here are some things we'd like you to do once you have enjoyed listening to the story, you can complete as many as you'd like.

1. Retell the story. Perhaps you have a bear you could act the story out with using the rooms in your home?

2. Draw some of the characters from the story and label them. Can you add some adjectives? I.e. **tired** eyes, **large, furry** hands.
3. Draw some of the rooms in the bear's house and label the things in side. Can you add some adjectives? I.e. **colourful** toy car, **spooky, dark,** garden.
4. Do you remember how to draw a story mountain to retell the story? Have a go at creating one of these.

Maths – This week we would like you to practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. You could do this by counting aloud, writing them down, testing your family or having them test you or you could try the following online games;

<http://www.snappymaths.com/multiplication/countin2s/interactive/countin2sattack.htm>

<https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/funkyMummy/index.html>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/times-tables/coconut-multiples>

There are also some great songs you can find on YouTube to help you. Just type in counting in 2's, 5's or 10's.

RE – This week can you find out about the Christian story of “The Good Samaritan”? What do you think Christians believe God was trying to teach them through this story? Can you think of any examples where you or someone you know has been a Good Samaritan?

ICT/Music – Have a listen to this story on YouTube. This week we'd like you to have a go at recording sounds. Can you make the sound of one of the vehicles using your voice or anything around the home that you could use as an instrument? We'd then like you to learn how to add this sound to an electronic device. Finally, if you have access to Microsoft PowerPoint, could you have a go at inserting the sound into PowerPoint (or a similar programme)? If you enjoy doing this you could create your own PowerPoint featuring pictures and sounds.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wKcrsv_t8Ko

Reading – We are so pleased to hear you are all continuing with you're reading at home. Here is another oxford owl book for you to try this week. It is a non-fiction book called “What's that Noise?” https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/api/digital_books/1464.html Can you read the book at answer the following questions;

Contents page -What page would you turn to find out about noises in the sea?

Page 5 -How many decibels is snoring?

Page 10 -What part of a rocket is so loud that it hurts your ears?

Page 14 -What is the loudest sound ever heard?

After reading -Can you remember which animal makes the loudest noise?

After reading -What part of the book did you like best? Why?

Just for fun...

Here's something you might enjoy doing for fun this week. Creating a story or poem after is optional.

Treasure Hunt

Find the treasures, then use them to inspire you to write a story or a poem!

<p>Something to do with outer space </p>	<p>Something you can eat </p>	<p>Something you can read </p>	<p>Something made of metal </p>	<p>Something to do with monsters </p>	<p>Something square shaped </p>
<p>Something star shaped </p>	<p>Something with a number on </p>	<p>Something a superhero would wear </p>	<p>Something with lots of numbers on </p>	<p>Something to write with </p>	<p>Something a snowman would wear </p>
<p>Something that grows </p>	<p>Something a cowboy would wear </p>	<p>Something you can put on your head </p>	<p>Something that could go in a sandwich </p>	<p>Something a pirate would wear </p>	<p>Something with a letter on it </p>
<p>Something you use in the shower </p>	<p>Something triangle shaped </p>	<p>Something with a flag on it </p>	<p>Something used to play sport </p>	<p>Something hexagon shaped </p>	<p>Something to do with dinosaurs </p>
<p>Something a builder might use </p>	<p>Something smooth </p>	<p>Something you can open </p>	<p>Something to measure things with </p>	<p>Something rough </p>	<p>Something you can see through </p>