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# The Maltby Lilly Hall Times

## Mr Pease's Blog

### Hello to Everyone!

These are truly strange and unique times we are living through, and it is at times like these that we are really tested. I have to say that everyone at school has been blown away by the work which has been done both at home and by those children accessing school. We thought that it would be really good to share some of the wonderful work being done!

### Reassurance

Huge thanks to everyone for engaging with our online learning resource, 'Purple Mash' - we know there have been some early frustrations born out of the speed we put this in place and thank you for working with us. We are confident this offers some support and a good platform for learning at home whilst lockdown is in place. We also appreciate fully that trying to juggle working from home and ensuring your children access Purple Mash can be difficult. This is even more so if you have children of different ages at home, ensuring they

### Mr Pease's JOKE OF THE WEEK

I couldn't decide whether or not  
to sell my bed.

So I slept on it.

all get access to the platform and are completing tasks can also be difficult.

With this in mind, we wanted to reassure you that any work you do with your child at this time is valuable. If some tasks set remain incomplete and have been difficult to find the time for, then please do not worry about this, we understand that pressures to work from home and look after other children at home are difficult as well. Your wellbeing is just as important as your child's.

### Basic Skills

If you are worried about what to do with your child, there are some basic elements that can be done as often as possible to keep your child learning. Reading with your child every day and giving them some basic maths skills to practice keeps them applying skills already learned and building on these to improve understanding. These could be -

### Woodlands

- Counting objects and ordering numbers
- Recognising numbers and counting the right number of objects

### Year 1 -2

- Number bonds to 10 (1+9, 7+3 etc)
- Number bonds to 20
- Number bonds to 100

### Year 2-4

- Times tables (and number bonds) 2s/5s/10s
- then 4s/8s/3's/6s

- then 7s

practice random questions as well as chanting through.

### Year 4-6

- All the times tables and basic maths skills
- Any number problems from real life - working out change from shopping, quantities etc

### Year 6

- Everything above
- percentages etc (if you can!)

If your child cannot complete all the Purple Mash tasks, or this becomes a battle, these simple tasks will still ensure your child is learning.

What you can do is enough!

Please do not worry about keeping on top of all work your child is set. At this time it is all we can do sometimes to keep our children emotionally safe and secure. We do understand that it is not always possible to complete the work set—we simply appreciate all you can do to ensure your child keeps their basic skills sharp. We will try to keep in touch with you and your child to make sure everyone in our Lilly Hall Family is safe at this time!

Thank you for everything you are doing and keep safe!

#stay home, stay safe

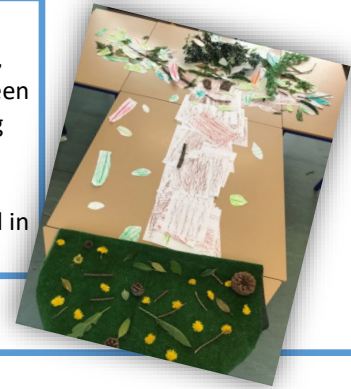
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# What You are Doing

## Earth Day

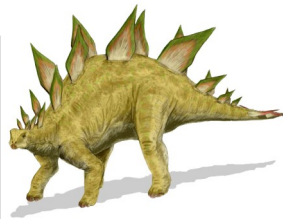
To think about Earth Day this week, Mr Jones and Mrs Cookson have been working with the children accessing school to make an environmental collage using natural materials and rubbings of the textures they found in



## Dino-Learning

Year one children have been working on descriptive language as part of their new dinosaurs topic on Purple Mash. They've written poems—can you guess which dinosaur they've described?

I am heavy  
I have plates on my back  
I have spikes on my tail  
I eat yummy plants too  
Who am I?  
*Max - YR1 Butterflies*

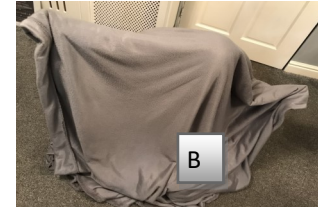


I have sharp claws.  
I have pointy teeth.  
I am very big.  
I have a loud roar.  
*Haydn - YR1 LadyBirds*



## Henry Moore

As part of their online learning before Easter, year 6 were learning about Henry Moore, the modern sculptor. Some of our teachers tried being a 'Henry Moore' sculpture, can you guess who they are? (answers below!)



## Home and Active!

Year 6 Foxes have been completing lots of learning. Tom has been researching his family history, producing a brilliant powerpoint on Maltby and his great, great, great grandad's life—Well done Tom! Liam has begun a home pond project—logging and tracking the wildlife in his garden pond

Olive has been very creative, baking a brilliant Easter cake, creating a T-Shirt with a colourful NHS logo on and creating an Eggy the Eagle as an Easter egg craft. This is her egg!



## Thank You!!

A HUGE thank you to everyone for the work you are doing with your children during this time. We are all massively impressed by the fact that all our families are doing the right thing and staying at home where they possibly can.

If your child has done anything they are really proud of or just want to let us know what they have been doing we'd be delighted to hear about it. They can email their teacher through Purple Mash, or you can either tag us in on twitter using @MaltbyLillyHall or email our info address. We will do our best to share some through this newsletter next time it comes out.

Above all—everyone stay safe, at times like this we see what an amazing community Maltby Lilly Hall really is!

## Easter Crafts

Over Easter, the children in school made a variety of Easter crafts with Mr Banks and Miss Hartshorne—Well done everyone!

