

Friday 26th June 2020

Dear Parents and Families,

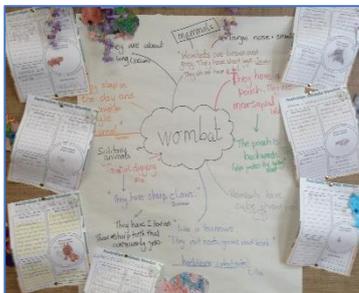
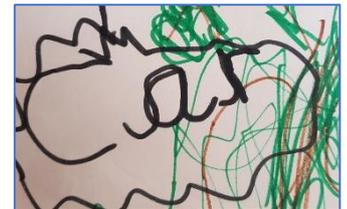
This week we have seen the children working hard at home and in school. Well done to children and the families supporting them. We know it is not always easy to juggle work with home learning.

Here is a just a taster of what the children across the Trinity have been busy with this week.

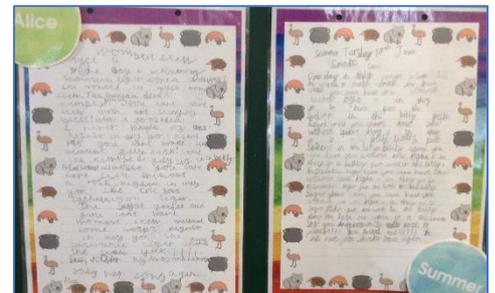


The children in Robins Bubble at The Norman have been learning about shadows. On Tuesday they went outside at different times of the day, to see how their shadows altered, drawing round their shadows on the playground. They looked at the position of the sun each time, noted which direction the sun had moved in and the difference it made to the size of their shadows.

Rory from Robins class has been working hard at home on his letter formation and segmenting learnt sounds to write words. He has also helped take apart his Hoover this week and was fascinated by all the different parts and mechanisms that make the Hoover work. He didn't find out what was making the horrible noise but when they put it back together it still worked.



Children from Weeting's Beech class have been learning all about wombats! They have read non-fiction reports about wombats and created a fact file and an interesting facts web. They then read Wombat Stew by Marcia K Vaughan. They created a Talk-for-Writing story map, innovated it and produced their own version of the story based on Australian



animals in the Outback. The children worked incredibly hard and did a fantastic job!

Oak class have been enjoying their art lessons outside, drawing perspective and making it look as realistic as possible.



Also at Weeting Children in Chestnut have been exploring the Beebots, a new ICT resource that is teaching them the first stages of coding. As part of this week's work around the story "What the Ladybird Heard" the children have been programming Beebot to visit different places on the farm to check that the animals hadn't been stolen by Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len! They have had to learn the correct sequence needed to make Beebot move and use directional language, including left and right. The children were encouraged to plan their route before programming Beebot. It was great to see how quickly the children picked up and understood the language of directionality and how to program Beebot.



Duchy of Lancaster's Reception bubble have been busy making natural sculptures in the style of Andy Goldsworthy this week. As part of our Africa topic they have been reading the book 'Handa's Surprise'. The children made masks and acted out the story.



Also at Duchy the Key Worker bubble have been busy with Harry Potter themed activities and have made their own broomsticks and played a game of quidditch. They have also made Harry Potter stained glass windows and wizard wands.

Teachers have been working hard on the children's school reports this term, which will be posted out to parents on Monday 6 July.

I hope you have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr Owen Rhodes
Executive Head Teacher

Reminders

If you have a child in Reception, Y1 or Y6 (or you are a key worker with no alternative childcare) who you would like to return to school, please make sure you contact the school office beforehand, and try to give us one week's notice, to enable us to meet our safety requirements.

Please make sure that all children are dropped off and collected at their allocated staggered times (not early!) to prevent the pupil groups mixing.

For safeguarding reasons, we ask that if your child is expected to attend school on a particular day, and will not be attending, please phone and leave a message. You should please state your child's name, class and the reason for their absence.

For the safety of the children, yourselves and also our neighbours can we please ask that when you drop off, pick up or visit any of our schools that you park safely and avoid parking too close to the school gates and never on the yellow zig zag lines outside school. Please also park with consideration to our neighbours around all schools.



Term Dates 2019/2020

Summer term

Monday 1st June - Tuesday 21st July 2020

Summer holiday: Wednesday 22nd July - Friday 4th September 2020

Term Dates 2020/2021

Staff INSET days – 3rd/4th September 2020, 22nd/23rd October 2020

Autumn term

Monday 7th September - Wednesday 21st October 2020

Half-term holiday: Thursday 22nd - Friday 30th October 2020

Monday 2nd November - Friday 18th December 2020

Christmas holiday: Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January 2021

Spring term

Monday 4th January - Friday 12th February 2021

Half-term holiday: Monday 15th - Friday 19th February 2021

Monday 22nd February – Thursday 26th March 2021

Easter holiday: Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April 2021

Summer term

Monday 12th April - Friday 28th May 2020 (Monday 3rd May is a Bank Holiday)

Half-term holiday: Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021

Monday 7th June - Wednesday 21st July 2021

Summer holiday: Thursday 22nd July - Friday 3rd September 2021