



MINI NEWS

Message from Cindy,

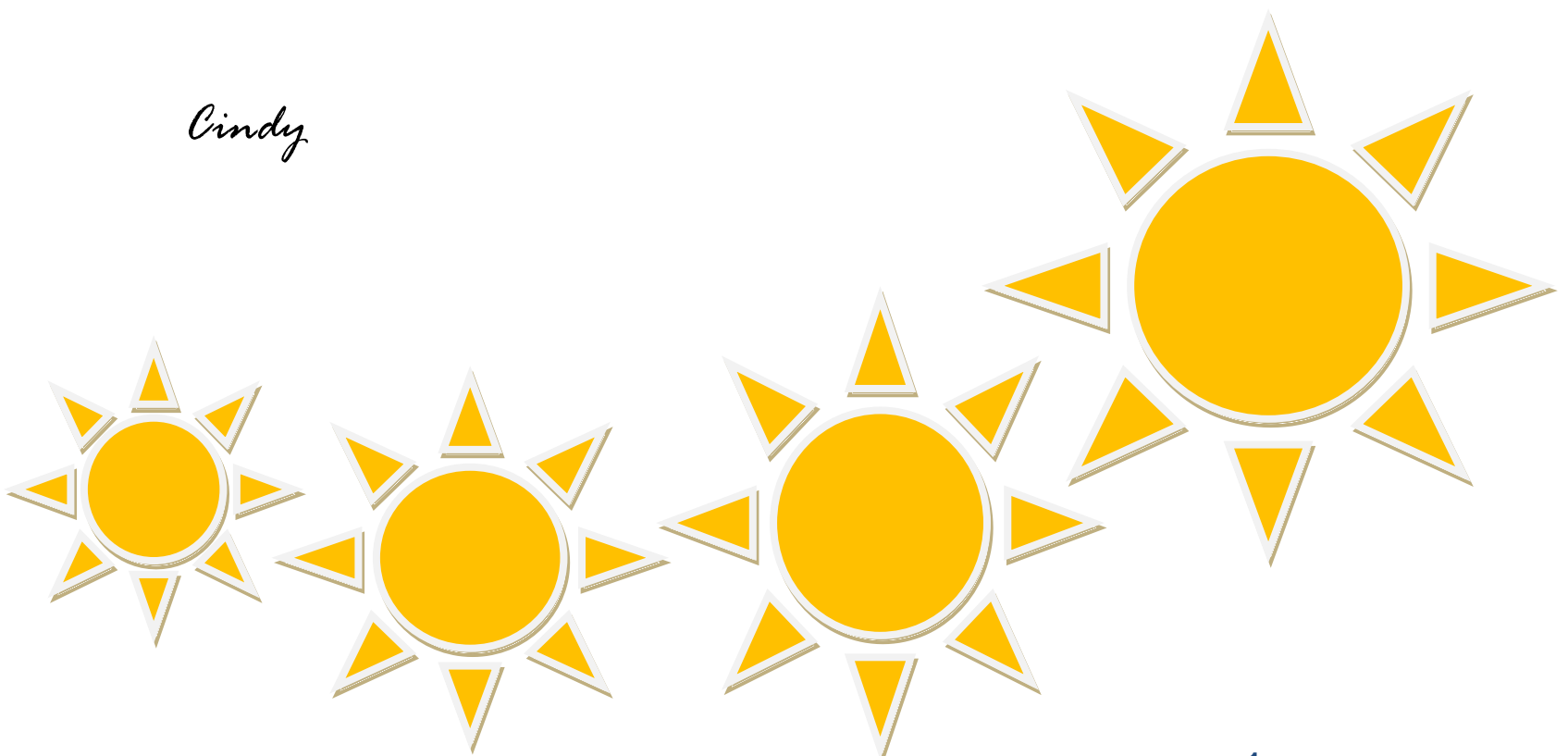
This week we were told that we can return to outside exercise and some sports. It's interesting that this has happened so early in the lifting of lockdown, and for me recognises the enormous benefit of being outdoors for our health.

According to my gardening magazine, dirt is even a natural antibiotic! I wouldn't recommend ingesting it though.

I see that much learning is taking place outdoors, which is just magic. The richness of adventurous learning is well evidenced in research, with benefits to physical health, but also problem solving, resilience and an ability to assess and mitigate risk.

Please keep the adventures going, and have a healthy, Vitamin D fuelled weekend.

Cindy



PRIMARY MINI NEWS

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE DIFFERENT CLASSES EACH WEEK

ROBIN CLASS

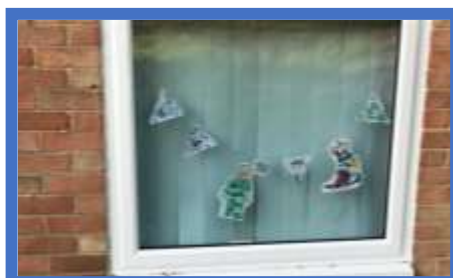
We had a teddy bears picnic at our houses. We had toys join us and even siblings! It was lots of fun.

We had a Mister Tumble story time with Fathema. The task for Robin Class the day before was to either find or make something spotty to wear. Henry went all out Mr Tumble!



OWL CLASS

Owl Class have been having lots of fun celebrating VE day both at home and at school

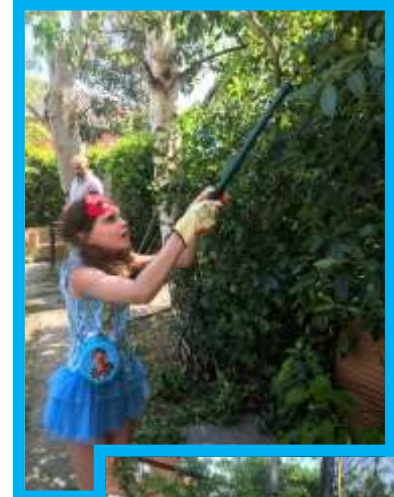


SQUIRREL CLASS

Everyone has been very busy, with practical tasks and maths tasks this week. As you can see Squirrels have been very helpful in the garden and also being independent and making their own lunch.



Measure has been the theme this week, with challenges involving the days of the week and telling the time.

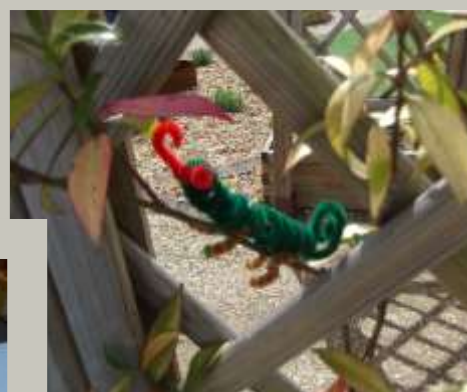


Squirrels have also been busy with other things too at home.



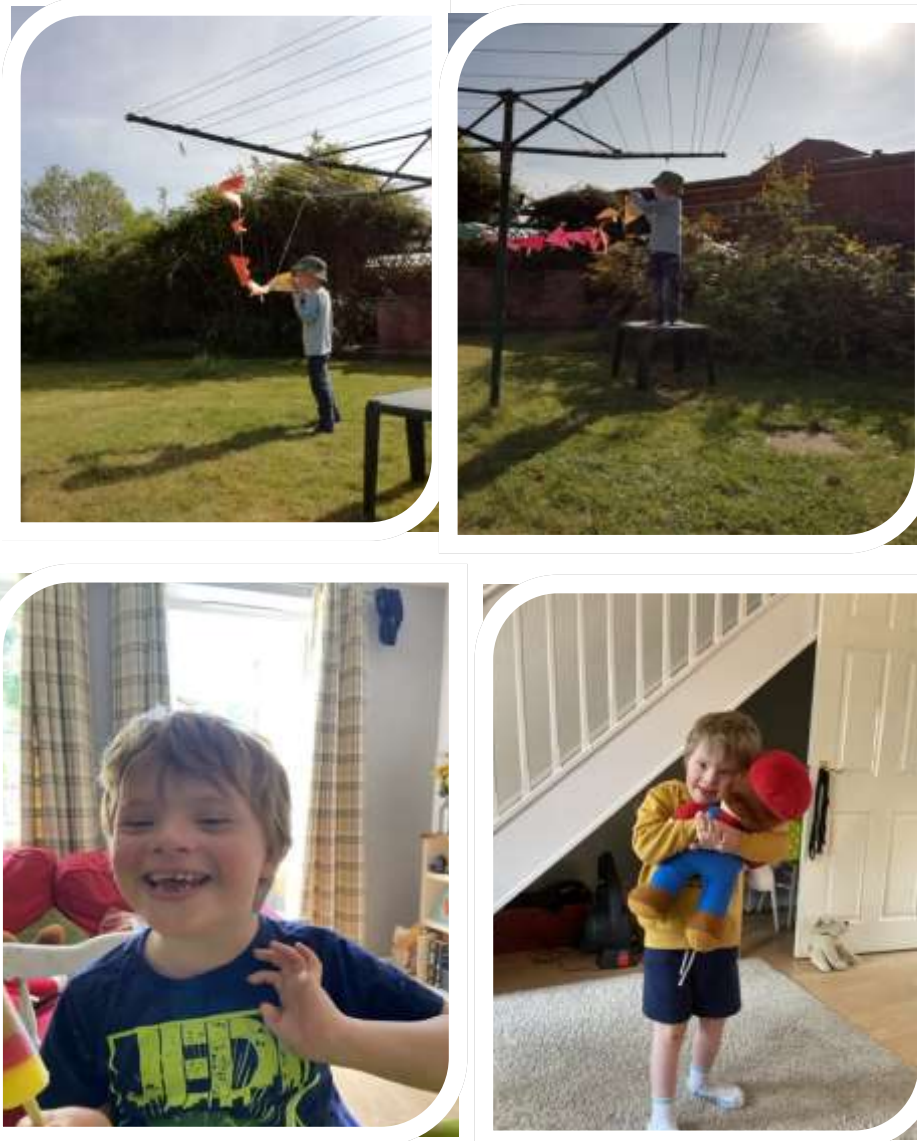
BADGER CLASS

The Badgers have been using animals in their learning this week.



RABBIT CLASS

The Rabbits have been busy competing their daily tasks. They had a fabulous Bank Holiday as they celebrated VE Day.



FOX CLASS

We have been working super hard completing our daily challenges set by Morgan and Miss Dobbs. We have been doing a variety of activities such as making and testing paper aeroplanes and hunting bugs in our gardens. It has been super being able to show our learning and try new things while we are at home. We have enjoyed being able to talk daily and virtually see our friends.



SECONDARY MINI NEWS



I hope your week is filled
with Smiles and Sunshine!

Dear KS4 students

I do hope you are keeping well.

It is strange that we are not at school, I am missing seeing and teaching you.

There is work for you to do in the teaching pack that was sent home and I have also set you some work on Education City. If you need some extra learning, I have some ideas that could keep you busy... maybe you could choose to do **two a day**.

1. **Plan a meal** for you to make with your mum's help. Write out the ingredients that you need and the quantities. Read the recipe and look up any words that you do not understand on your phone or using a dictionary. Take a photo when you have made the dish.
2. Using a shopping receipt or supermarket app (Tesco, Sainsbury or other), work out **how much it costs to make your dish**. If you use a calculator to divide by the number of people it serves, you will get the cost for each portion. For example: if it costs 4.80 to make and there are three in your family: 4.80 divided by 3 is 1.60. It cost £1.60 for each serving.
3. Talk to your mum about if this is good value. **How much would it cost to buy this dish, ready-made or in a restaurant?**
4. **Check the weather forecast each day and for the week**. Let the year 10 staff know each morning what the following day will be like. Will it rain, will it be sunny or cloudy? Will Mrs Downman need to use her umbrella when she is taking her bins out!?!?
5. **Play a card game or game** with your sister and/or mum. Keep a score/tally of how many times you win and lose.
6. **Draw a bird's-eye view plan of your bedroom** (looking from the ceiling). Measure your room with a tape measure or using an app on your phone. Try and show the furniture that you have in your bedroom and how it is laid out.
7. Choose something from outside- a plant, flower, tree and **draw it** on a plain piece of paper. With colouring pencils, **shade in the object** using different shades of the same colour.
8. Find and write down the **lyrics to your favourite songs**. Look up any words that you do not know in the dictionary. Can you think of other describing words that they could have used instead? Using a Thesaurus (orApp on your phone) find alternative words. For example: if they use 'alternative', you could use other, different or another, or if they use troubled, you could use: anxious, concerned, distressed) If you have a computer at home, you can use the Thesaurus in Word. It is in Review.
9. **Read each day** - a magazine or book or anything! **Tell the year 10 staff** what you have been reading each morning. (It may be that you have read what is on the cereal box or instructions for using your new item of make- up that you have just bought)
10. **Write a daily diary**. Each day record what you have been doing and/or how you have been feeling. Write the day and date for each entry, making sure you spell the days of the week correctly.
11. Using the alphabet, **write as many describing word that you can think of:**
eg A – amazing, adventurous, angelic.
Do this for the whole alphabet. Use your best handwriting as this will be really useful for English lessons.



Mrs Downman





What you need make play dough

2 cups of plain flour

1 cup of salt

2 cups of water

2 tbsps cooking oil

4 tsps cream of tartar

A few drops of food colouring in different colours

Optional: glitter

Messy play dough recipe - what to do

1. Pour all the dry ingredients into a saucepan and stir in the liquids gradually.
2. Stir on a very low heat until the dough forms a ball, and becomes less sticky.
3. Turn it out onto a clean surface and knead it until it becomes smooth and squidgy!
4. Split the play dough into four and add a couple of drops of food colouring to make 4 colours of dough. At this point you can also add some glitter to the dough to make it super sparkly – be warned this will make the play dough even messier!



SIMMONDS UPDATE



Alongside enjoying VE celebrations, over the weeks, we have been closely watching Lucie's caterpillars grow and change.

It was lovely for us to watch the changes and to see the butterflies hatch successfully.

Continue to keep well and be safe x

Parks Class Challenges



Parks Class are keeping busy with daily challenges from Cieran. This week we have done; Blindfolded drawing, create your own lava lamps, den building and trick shots with tea bags and washing. We eve had a go at designing next year's daybook.



Eryn has also been showing off her cooking skills! Hopefully she will be doing the school lunches soon, her lunch looks amazing!



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT GOSDEN?

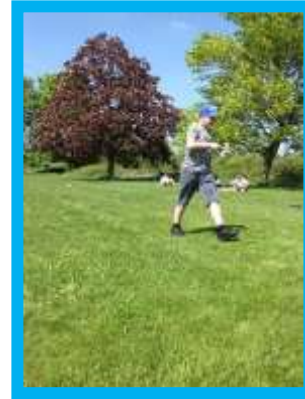
We have been having a pirate week and making pirate ships. It was great fun and we really enjoyed being pirates and sailing the 7 seas of Gosden! Also we have designed ourselves as pirates to join Blackbeard's crew - look how creative they are!



**The children have been bug hunting
and been having great fun with goo!**



Gosden Mini Olympics



After a week of preparing their own flags, the children put on a show during the Gos-Olympics opening ceremony. following our very own torchbearer, Charlotte, the children paraded around the playing fields. it was then time for the games to begin. the children competed in javelin, welly wanging and an egg and spoon race. We were very lucky that Mrs Williams provided us with strawberries and the upper secondary had baked some olympic ring doughnuts. yum! After all the events, we ended Gos-Olympics 2020 with a medal ceremony.



Some Lovely Chalk Art



Message for Year 9 and 10 Students from Emily Mainwaring, Deputy Head.

Dear Year 9 and 10 Students,

Although the school is closed to most of us, the teaching staff have been busy beginning to organise the courses and exam options for next year. There will be a variety of vocational options available for you to choose from including:

- Animal Care
- Horticulture
- Design and Technology
- The Arts

These are just a few of the options. At the beginning of **June**, you will receive an information pack outlining all of the courses on offer and asking you to make your course choices for next year.

I will also be available to talk through any of the courses further and answer any questions you or your parent/ carer may have.

***Kind regards
Emily Mainwaring***

YOUR VE DAY CELEBRATION PICTURES



If you have any more pictures of your child celebrating VE Day, then please do email them across so we can complete our photo montage for the website:
Email to: achapman@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk

GOSDEN VIDEO GALLERY

Please do have a look at the Home page of our website for a selection of fantastic videos created by Gosden pupils.

<https://gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk/>



GOSDEN COLOURING PAGE

Created by Porscha's Mum! Thank you!



Gosden House School

We're all in this together

By Lockdown free colouring page.

OUR WONDERFUL ANIMALS

By Frankie Gale, Animal Care

Rabbits:

They had a vet visit today, and were given the all-clear bill of health. The vet that saw them was pretty certain that they are all the same gender and are **girls!** They have grown so much since they first came to us, and are still as cute and sweet. They all like to give kisses and are becoming so much more confident around people walking past them. In the not-too-distant, I hope to have them outside on the grass which I'm happy for staff and students to see them for the first time.

Unfortunately, they won't be able to be held at the moment, but once things start to return back to "normal", I hope that everyone

can meet them and give them cuddles.

Rosie:

Still large as life and has continued to enjoy snoozing in the warmth and sunshine, when it's not cold or windy as it has been recently... Some days I have been playing 'Where's Rosie in the field', as so much vegetation has grown in her field (which is on my job list to sort out over the next week or two)!

Chickens:

They are loving the dirt baths that our Animal Care student and others put in their pen, with is having a positive effect on their welfare. They are so happy in fact, that they've been laying up to two eggs a day most days! If anyone plans on doing any baking/cooking with eggs, then please feel free to use them - they taste great! I always (try to remember) to leave an egg box on top of their coop. It's been lovely to see how the children are doing and what they've been up to, and it's been really nice to hear those that are at school creating wonderful work, laughing and screaming with joy - it really is the kids that make up the heart of Gosden!

Kind regards,
Frankie 😊



Can you spot Rosie in the field?





SUPPORT

Remember to check our website for all support and help during this time:

<https://gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk/>

If you need to make contact with us during school hours, we have set up a special email address which will link to certain members of the Senior Leadership Team and our Home/School Link Worker, Annie Welch who will try to answer queries or signpost to help.

parenthelp@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk

Pastoral Mobile: 07864 721931 –

Please add to your contacts Additional support Health:

The School Nursing Service are aiming to continue to support us with advice if necessary, so contact us in the ways above (during school hours) and we'll aim to help.

To support your child with their mental health and wellbeing there is some good guidance on the Young Minds website here Adults may find support here Social Care: For any child or family worries for which you may need additional support or advice you can request it by contacting the

Surrey Children's Single Point of Access Team on 0300 470 9100 and press1 and then option required.