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## Newsletter

Head's Message

Theme for next week: Individual Liberty (British Values)

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday, schools received a brief from Gavin Williams, the Secretary of State for Education. This outlined future plans test and tracing, as well as the secondary school exams in the summer. He also spoke tentatively of the return to school and face to face teaching.

I have included an extract for your interest:

I know there are significant challenges in the coming weeks for school and college leaders. We know that receiving face to face education is best for children's and young people's mental health and for their educational achievement. It is therefore my sincere hope that with the efforts we are all making to contain the virus, children and young people across England will be back in the classroom, spending time with their friends and teachers, and getting back into the rhythms of the school or college year again soon. We are keeping plans for the return to school and college under continuous review and will ensure that children and young people return to face to face education as soon as it is possible. We will inform schools, colleges and parents ahead of the February half term. I will continue to work with you as we deal with this evolving and challenging situation, as well as with health colleagues, the Chief and Deputy Chief Medical Officers.

I would like to thank you for the huge effort that you have put into keeping children and young people safe and learning. I am extremely grateful to you, all your staff, governors and trustees for the immense commitment you have shown. I want you to know that I am committed to supporting you, and I know that together we will get through this as we all strive to deliver the best we can for our pupils and students.

The Rt Hon Gavin Williamson CBE MP Secretary of State for Education

I believe there is going to be a lot of rain this weekend. Stay safe.

Sincerely,

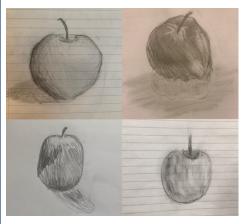
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Year 4 have been busy adding and subtracting fractions this week. It is clear to see from their smiling faces how positive they are feeling about this concept in

their live lessons!



Year 2 have been refining their observational drawing skills. They were tasked with drawing an apple and had to include a range of shading techniques such as contour hatching to help create a realistic, three-dimensional,

textured effect. As you can see, they did rather well!

5MA are always eager to start their day! They have adapted incredibly well to learning remotely and are working most industriously. Well done, 5MA!



This week, children in Year 3 have learnt about the different types of food that we eat and where they come from. This is part of their food nutrition topic in Design Technology. They have learnt about reared, caught and processed foods and then have gone on to investigate when a reared or caught food is in season. Here are a few examples of the beautifully presented pieces of work from Harry, Aarushan and Joshua in 3NL.

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This week, Reception have been reading the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood'. The children were then asked to write a shopping list of provisions they could buy and take to their grandma if she was feeling poorly.

Many congratulations to these pupils who received a Headmaster's Commendation this week.



The London Youth Games have recently updated their Virtual Challenges scoreboard. Thanks to the efforts from all the schools in Redbridge, including St Aubyn's, the London Borough of Redbridge finished the competition in 5th position! Also, in the LYG Virtual cross-country event, the Borough finished in joint 13th place out of the thirty-two London Boroughs.



This week in maths, Reception have been learning about doubling and halving. Here is Margo in RSL, finding the double of 4 by holding up four fingers and looking at her reflection in the mirror. Reception have also been working hard in Phonics, as evidenced here by Edward in RKO.



