

Friday, 29th May 2020

Dear Sycamore Class

I hope you all had a good half term at home – at least the weather has been very kind to us!

Did you do anything different? I did some puppy sitting – it's been a very dog orientated couple of weeks! This time it was my son's West Highland Terrier puppy called Winnie. She is five months old and only one of her ears is standing up as yet! When they are born both their ears are drooping downwards, one stood up about two weeks ago and the other one is still trying! She is very young and not very well behaved at the moment! However, she has found her voice! A very loud, high pitched bark!!!



We have been having some family quiz nights on Zoom.

I have been calling my three granddaughters, Freya and Poppy are sisters and Zara is their cousin. I set them a scavenger hunt for things to find indoors. Zara is only three but she whizzes around their house so quickly that she usually wins. We also have one with the adults – my three children and their other halves. This week I have had to take a photo of the inside of my fridge for the quiz – I can't think what that might be for but at least it made me clean the fridge! The good news from the Prime Minister yesterday was that from next week we can be with up to 6 people who don't live with you so I can see my grandchildren for the first time in over two months. I can't wait!

I have spent a lot of time in the garden and it looks better than it has done for years. I am growing runner beans, beetroot, carrots, pumpkins, lettuce and cauliflowers in the vegetable garden but I have had to figure out a way to put a net around the plants as a deer has been having a little munch of the leaves! We have been busy putting up a new fence too!

Some of us will be coming back to school in the next few days. It will be very different from what we are used to – some of you will be in our usual classroom and some will be in a different one. Some of you will be with me and some won't. Even coming into school will be different! We can still wave and talk from a distance but it will not be the same. We will get used to working in a different way and we, the teachers, have spent a lot of time thinking of how we can still have lots of fun learning – from a distance. If you are not coming back we will still be putting things onto the website for you to use from home and you can still use Purple Mash and Doodle Maths. However, as the teachers will be in school, we will not be able to mark the work on Purple Mash as often as we have been doing.

Have a lovely weekend.

Love from Mrs Cruickshank x