



A big HELLO to Jurby Class and Bride Class!

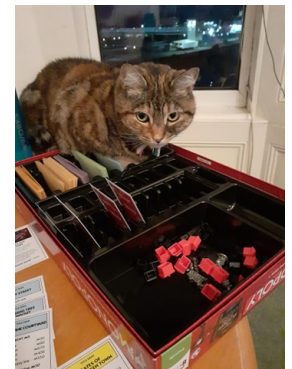
How are you all? It has been a long time since I last saw you and I am sure that you have all grown a lot. Some of you may have even grown taller than me!

I am writing to let you know that I miss all of your happy faces. I miss all of the fun learning we have in our school and although we cannot all be together, we can still have fun learning at home.

I have found it a bit strange having to stay at home a lot, but I have been keeping busy learning lots about how to become a better support teacher. I have learnt different ways to teach phonics and new and interesting things that will make me help more and more children at school.

I wonder what kinds of new and interesting things you have learnt at home or out and about on the island? Have you been making things with junk modelling, painting or drawing lovely pictures, or maybe you have been practising your reading and writing? You can tell me all about it and maybe you could teach me something new, when I see you next.

I live in Douglas, which is on the righthand side of the Isle of Man, if you see it on a map, and luckily for me I can see a lovely view of the Steam Packet, the mountains and Douglas Bay. My cat Terra has been enjoying my company and has been the team captain of our Monopoly games, which can last hours and hours. It has really helped me with my adding and subtracting. Well mostly subtracting, I don't win many games. :(



I have been on lovely walks along Marine Drive and drives out in my car to The Sound, Clypse Reservoir and to Jurby Beach to see the Passages shipwreck when the water was at low tide. My feet got very wet and I walked for hours to find it. I think I parked my car a little too far away. :)



At Clypse Reservoir in Onchan, I was surprised to see the new baby horse-tram horses, which are called foals, in a field near the water.



These are just a few of the adventures I have had and I hope you have all been on exciting adventures too. Don't forget to wash your hands, keep learning and stay safe.

I miss you all and cannot wait to see you again!

Mr Townend