

Dear Marvellous Malew,

I wanted to let you know I'm missing you and our lively, happy and chatty classroom. I know this is all a bit different and for many of you, not how you pictured your final year of primary school, but I'm sure you all understand why not being at school right now is important. We are all thinking about you and hope you are staying safe. I was thinking about all the good times we've had this year and it really cheered me up. One memory that still makes me laugh is when we all caught the giggles doing our jigsaw lesson, maybe you can tell your family about some of your favourite memories from our classroom.

I'm missing our jokes and news time and can't wait to hear some more of your favourite jokes, maybe you could find out some new jokes to share with us when we get back? The joke book I ordered finally arrived and I've picked out a few you might like:

Why are seagulls called seagulls? *Because if they flew over the bay, they'd be bagels!* 🥯

Where do cows go for entertainment? *To the moo-vies!* 🎬

How do you know if there's an elephant under your bed? *Your head hits the ceiling!* 😊

Another memory which always makes me smile, is our whole class reading time. I'm really missing sharing our class book with you but I hope you are all reading something that you really enjoy. Don't forget to write it down, so we can share our favourite books with each other. I'm currently re-reading my favourite books (Harry Potter) as well as reading some books I think we'd enjoy sharing as a class. I've heard about a series of books you might like to read by an author called Peter Bunzl. The series is called the Cogheart Adventures! I know lots of you enjoy reading our 'First News' newspaper and Mrs Awkal is kindly saving them for us.

I hope you had fun over the Easter holidays and enjoyed the sunshine (and some chocolate of course!). I was kept busy as we had lots of lambs born during the nice weather. You might have seen some of them if you have been out walking past the fields. We have 6 meg lambs who need bottle feeding twice a day, they're very noisy but cute. I've spent some time in the garden, reading and walking while I have been at home. I hope the nice weather continues!

I have been enjoying planning home learning for you. It's been very different planning challenges and activities for you to do at home. I have found it quite tricky working in this way, but I have tried to be resilient and use my 'keeping going' muscle. I hope you have found some things fun and interesting. Our theme for this term is Eco Warriors. I hope you have been enjoying learning about our environment and different sources of energy. Don't worry if you're struggling to get much done right now. As long as you are trying your best, using your learning muscles and managing to read every day, that's all I ask. Remember what I always say, "Don't panic!" Spending time with your family is the most important thing. I found colouring and yoga really helped me relax when I felt a bit worried and I used some of our mindfulness colouring sheets!

I really miss you and can't wait to see you all again. Make sure you're practising your rounders skills! I'm practising my bowling ready for our next rounders game. Ready for our 'cheery' end of day goodbyes? I can hear you all now! "Good afternoon Malew." See you soon!

Stay safe,  
Miss Smiley.

PS. A message from Mrs Kermodie:

Hi everyone, I am missing you all and thinking of you during these challenging times. I hope it's not long before we can all get back to being together making more memories. Take care and see you all very soon.