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Yateley Manor Award

Many congratulations to the following senior pupil who has achieved his Yateley Manor Award:

Siraj Hussain

Silver

Congratulations to ...

Jessica Fussey (5EMG) who passed her Grade 3 Theory of Music Exam with Distinction and Rory Minson (7RJE) who passed his Grade 3 Theory of Music Exam with Merit.

Happy Birthday

Joseph Bailey 10 Louisa Bexell 9 Bella Clark 11 Bella Hall 12 Jasper Wisbey 9



Daily Messages and Assemblies on YouTube

Do not forget to watch the Headmaster's daily message which he records for the children and posts on our <u>YouTube Channel</u>. They are a great way to start each school day.

Recorded assemblies can also be found on YouTube. A Years 1 to 4 with Miss Thompson and a Years 5 to 8 assembly with Mr Head are scheduled for each Tuesday. On Thursdays Mr Upton will lead a whole school assembly.

There are also several help videos which will help guide children through joining a live lesson, using Chat, handing in assignments and logging into Office 365.

While you are on the YouTube Channel do not forget to check out the YMCA video of members of the Yateley Manor Community which was put together over Easter. It is bound to lift your spirits!

Welcome to Summer Term 2020

A very warm welcome back to the summer term to all our children, parents and staff. A particular welcome to our new children and their families.

The final week of the Spring Term and this week have seen the children and staff tackle remote learning with gusto. Staff worked hard during the Easter break to replan their lessons, create video classes and learn Teams and have been delighted with the children's response. The children have worked really hard this week and we are incredibly proud of their attitude to their learning. We know, however, that learning from home is a different way of learning and that it can be a challenge. It is important that children do not worry and they are welcome to contact their teachers with any concerns.

The Headmaster recounted in one of his daily messages that he has received some lovely emails from parents saying that the children are all looking after and helping each other with Chat and Teams. Yateley Manor is a wonderful community and we all look forward to when we can all be together again.

BBC 500 Word Story Successes

Once again, The English Department have had success with the National BBC 500 words competition. It is always an exciting time to see which stories have been selected by the judges to go through to the second round of the competition and this year we are pleased to have 13 stories through.

The stories are given a mark out of ten for each of the following criteria: Characterisation, Plot, Language, Originality and Enjoyment. It seems that creativity and imagination won the day with some of our most unusual stories chosen as winners in their round.

It was very pleasing to see that stories that had not 'made it through the cut' of our internal competition were selected and it just goes to show stories can resonate differently with people. A particular mention goes to **Millie Day** who has had her story selected for the internal and external competitions two years running- a huge achievement!

Congratulations to the following:

James Pearce The Everything Shop
Louis Raven The Great Cheese Robbery

Louisa BexellOn the LooseCharlie EverestA Scorching DayMiguel Simoes da SilvaThe Time TrailMatilda UpfoldGolden Shot

Eloise Macoraghty Mines The girl who was obsessed with lemons

Joe SpradberySaucy SamurieJoshua BinksLizard BoyRobin HawksleyMad Hatter

Daniel Brown Should I Stay or Should I Go?

Lucas IrwinRobert RexMillie DayA Rubbish Story

A Hero Lies in You

Robert Upton's latest blog can be found on the School website. The following is a taster:

"A person who, in the opinion of others, has special achievements, abilities, or personal qualities and is regarded as a role model or ideal" (www.dictionary.com)

A hero for children as they grow up is likely to have brightly coloured clothes, possibly a cape but certainly the ability to perform acts that are beyond expectations for a normal human. When I was growing up, Superman was mine, although when I realised that his acts really were the results of someone's imagination my allegiance moved to Hannibal from the A Team, played by George Peppard. There was a man who had vision, courage and a passion to succeed.



To read the rest of this article and other blog posts visit the website

Drama

In Drama on Thursday Mrs Brundle, along with her classes, celebrated William Shakespeare's birthday. Shakespeare made a guest appearance in several lessons during which he blew out the

candle on his cake while Happy Birthday was sung to him and some party poppers set off!



Nursery

The Nursery children have been busy threading daisy chains and being very active in their gardens riding bikes, throwing and catching balls and creating obstacle courses. Some children have been cooking with their family, being creative with paints and planting seeds in their gardens. Those in school practised their skipping, climbing and joined the older children for games.







Year 6 Art

Mrs Bell and her new assitant teaching Year 6 art lessons! We look forward to seeing the resulting artwork!



Year 4

As part of the Viking topic Year 4 children were asked to make their own Viking shield using resources which are readily to hand at home.

Every Viking shield had a distinct painted design to represent the warrior. Shields were important to the Vikings as protection and were also displayed on the walls of houses and along the sides of boats. Following the steps in the slideshow Year 4





children created amongst many other, these fabulous examples.



Andrew Martin, our Director of Chess, FIDE Senior Trainer and International Master has created a new YouTube Channel.

It features a number of videos aimed at children and also, from time to time, topical chess videos on a variety of subjects designed for advanced players.







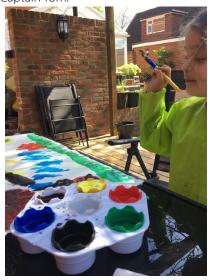
Year 6 DT

In DT Year 6 are currently developing solutions for exploring Mars using either a manned craft or an unmanned robot to collect samples of rock for analysis and also the atmosphere. Lance Andrews has received many excellent diagrams and also this photograph of the bold and well-proportioned model of **Francesca McLoughlin's** prototype undergoing trials over very tricky terrain!



Reception

Reception started their topic on Bears this week. To start with they have been focusing on their own bears. They did observational drawings of their bears, described their bears, had teddy bear picnics and made dens for their bears. Of course there was still time for other activities like making and writing a card for Captain Tom.







Year 7 Art

Year 7 have been asked to create a page that represents their unique experience of staying at home.

Some people keep what's called a visual journal that can be a collection of images, words, photographs and drawings that represent thoughts and feelings.

Year 7 were asked to create just one page that might include things that have frustrated them and things they have liked. It may also include photographs or drawings of activities that have filled their days or that mean something to them.

They are able to make a collage, create it on the computer, paint, draw, take cuttings from magazines, sew or stick on 3D objects.

This is a really exciting project and we look forward to seeing what the finished pages look like.

Year 5 English

In English after studying the opening of a story about butterflies, Year 5's extension task was to carefully follow instructions to make paper butterflies. These are **Lily Moore's** super butterflies.



Project Smile is Coming

Jennifer Hustler, Director of Music, is planning Project Smile - Yateley Manor united in song. She is sure that the children (and staff) are missing singing and she has a plan.



This will be rolled out, initially, to the children in Year 5 upwards who would like to take part. If it goes well, she has a plan for the younger children too! Watch this space.

Singing can be really helpful to your physical and mental health so we hope this will be a positive activity during this challenging time.

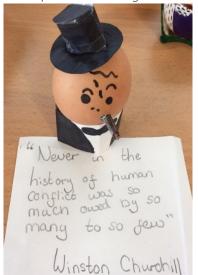


How beautiful the school playing fields look in the Spring sunshine. Thank you Laurence for keeping looking so good.

Historical EGGcellence Competition

The History Department at Yateley Manor is inviting children from Year 5 to Year 8 to enter our EGGcellent Competition.

The Department is asking children to design a



diorama based on the theme of VE Day to celebrate the 75th anniversary of this EGvent.



SuccEGGs Criteria

- Use HOLLOWED out EGGS please!
- Can be a single character or a scene from history.
- A short EGGplanation of the event and why you think it is important.

Terms and Conditions

- EGGtrys must be photographed and emailed to Mr Davis <u>ndavis@</u> <u>yateleymanor.com</u> by no later than Monday 4th May.
- Prizes will come in varying chocolate forms which will be awarded once we return to school.



Year 6 & 8 Hooded Tops

Order forms for the Year 6 and 8 Hooded Tops that FYMS offer each year were emailed home to parents on Friday.

Please email completed forms to <u>Jo Foster</u> by Friday 15th May. Payment should be made via PayPal or bank transfer to FYMS. Full payment details are on the forms.

Please note that there will be only one order placed with the manufacturer and orders which arrive after 15th May will not be accepted.

Year 8 DT

Year 8 turned their graphic design skills to good use this week as they looked at creating some eye-catching and memorable fridge magnet designs to celebrate the work of the NHS.

This design by Ryan Tan will soon be on its way to Aldershot Hospital and also Frimley Park for some feedback!



Joseph's Tribute to Captain Tom



We loved

Joseph Bailey's
tribute to
Captain Tom
which he
made out of
Lego.

Year 2's Funky Friday

Year 2 had a live Funky Friday PSHE session. The children all dressed up and they talked about how they feel about the first week back and remote learning. They also had a treasure hunt looking for things beginning with the letter of their name which was greatly enjoyed by everyone.



They also took part in a mindfulness session in which they created these beautiful Mandalas. These are Ruby's, Jacob's and Ethan's.



