



★ Dear all of my wonderful little humans,

★ I've struggled with where to start with this letter! I suppose I should start by referencing the strange times we find ourselves in. Never, in my lifetime, have we faced a situation like this and with that comes some uncertainty. I know some of you may be a little worried and the change in routine may leave you feeling uneasy however I hope this letter brings you a small piece of comfort and reassures you that I have been thinking about all of you!

★ Not seeing all of your faces beaming back at me each morning has been a real struggle. Most mornings, me, Mr Clayton and Millie have been getting up to do some form of exercise, whether that be a Joe Wick's workout, one of Millie's made up workouts or a run. It really does set us up for the day and makes us all feel a little more upbeat. I am sure that lots of you have been tuning into Joe Wicks in the morning and if you haven't, give it a go! I assure you that you will feel much better afterwards.

★ We have been trying to keep some structure to our day and this has meant home schooling for Millie. We have been doing some English and Maths each morning and I mean this when I say it, it is far easier teaching 29 of you than my only child! (I am sure many of your parents may agree with me on this one!) We then have a long dinner break that mainly consists of getting into the garden, bouncing on the trampoline, playing with our rabbit- Lavender, and making up games.

★ In the afternoon, we have been doing some of the topic activities and getting our craft on! So far, we have managed to make a junk model pirate ship and tested it to see if it would float, a pirate flag, a rainbow collage, lots of cakes (you know me and my love of cake and chocolate!) and we have been on a mini beast hunt! Millie has also been working on a DT project with her dad. They have been constructing an 'animal hotel' out of leftover wood for the garden.

★ Alongside all of this, we have also been working hard to complete jobs in our house. As you all know, we have been living in a building site since May but slowly but surely, we are making some progress! It has been really important to us to stay busy to occupy ourselves but we have also been taking time to just relax, watch films and go on long walks. It's very rare to have so much time to spend together and so I think it is really important to make the most of this time together. Make sure that you are all trying to see the positives in this time and be kind to your loved ones- we are all in this together!

★ I hope that you have been enjoying your home learning and having the opportunity to do more of the things that you enjoy doing. Hopefully, the nice weather we have had for the past couple of days continues and you can make the most of your daily exercise. I am sure many of you are itching to get out every day! Mrs Simon and Mrs Wilber both send their good wishes and are thinking of you all. Mrs Wilber has also recorded something special for you all, just follow this link- <https://youtu.be/8iu30Z5koKg>
★ We hope it brings a smile to your face.

★ I honestly do miss each and every one of you. You all have so much to give and I cannot wait to get back into class to see you all! In the meantime, stay safe, stay home as much as you possibly can and hopefully we will be back before long!

★ Lots of Love,
★ Mrs Clayton (and Millie too!)

