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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I would like to start by saying how impressed all the staff have been by the way children and families have adapted to learning at home. I would like to stress that every child learns differently and each family will have their own way of adapting to home learning. Please be reassured that there is no 'right way' and we appreciate everything you do to support your child's learning. Our staff are here to support you every step of the way and do message or call us if you need to ask any questions, no matter how small.

It is our ambition at Riston Church of England Primary Academy, to facilitate a blended learning approach. We have worked incredibly hard to ensure that our teachers are able to deliver a high-quality remote learning offer. Children will be able to access this offer whilst working at home or under the supervision of school staff. This means that, irrespective of how your child is learning, they will not be at a disadvantage.

As part of our efforts to safeguard and protect all our children, we must have contact with every child or parent at least once per week. This can be online or by telephone and we will be regularly calling families to offer support with home-learning and to keep contact with our children.

Each week I would like to celebrate the work and effort of our pupils, as we will in our weekly Friday Celebration Assembly when we return to school. During the current school closure, I will include a piece of work from each class in the newsletter every fortnight and there will be a certificate in the post for that child.

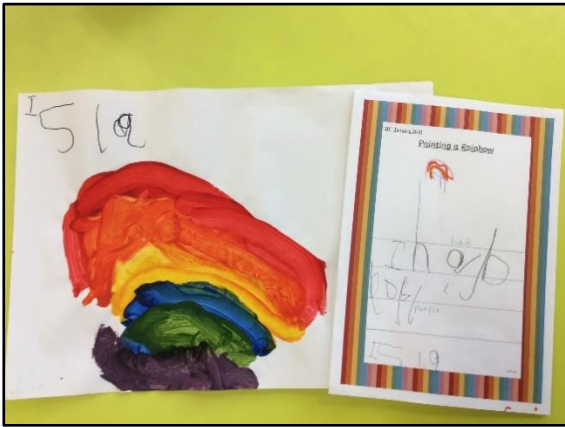
In order to ensure that our school remains a safe learning environment for our children and colleagues, we must all work together and do what we can to support each other. During these difficult times, I hope that we can maintain our core Christian values in terms of treating each other and our community with kindness.

Yours faithfully

Jennifer Marsden
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This week's Star Awards are presented to

Robins



Mrs Knowles has been very impressed by Isla's phonics and her writing this week - well done Isla!

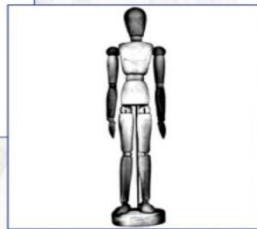
Topcats

At the start of this week, Miss Groom shared a piece of fantastic work all about Kenya, so Topcats Star Award this week is presented to Isabelle. Wonderful research and presentation Isabelle.

WALT: Understand what life is like for people living in Kenya.



Bluebirds



An amazing piece of art work on Henry Moore has been completed in Bluebirds this week. Fantastic work Emmie - an artist of the future no doubt!

Highflyers

Fantastic art work Scarlett, we are all looking forward to seeing the cherry blossom this year more than any! Well done!



Well done for all your hard-work this week - look out for your certificate in the post!