Dear Year 2

It has been lovely to hear from so many of you during the week. You certainly are a creative group and we are so pleased to see you are keeping busy and are still smiling! This unexpected time at home has given us time to try out new challenges or to spend time improving our skills. It reminds us of the 'Free Flow' trick. We would love to know what you have got better at since Lockdown started.



This is how we have been using some of our extra time.





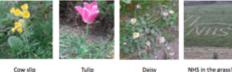


We have heard about the Pen Pal challenge that some of you have joined in with. What a great idea! It must be so exciting to receive a letter from someone in your year group. We bet many of you have learnt new things about each other. Take a look at some of the other great ideas you have been sharing with us.



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Here are some other suggestions of more practical activities you might like to try this week.

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Creative Challenge	Choose a word or message that you would like to share with the class. Display the word as a picture, or with objects. Ask someone to take a photo of you with your word/message and email it to your teacher. We would like to use the images to make a short video to share with you all. Alternatively, you could send us a photo of you trying out a new skill or improving a skill you already have. If you can do this by Tuesday 12 th May, we will try and compile something.
Handwriting	We know some of you are trying to improve your handwriting.
Challenge	Choose a poem, or some text from a story book. Copy it out in your
	best handwriting. Think about which letters are tall and which go underground. Make sure you close the letters that need to be closed (e.g. 'o') Does each letter start on the line? Can you join your letters neatly? You could practise your letter formation using chalk, or a paintbrush and water outside on the tarmac. We have put some handwriting sheets in the Week 6 folder that might help.
Science	Lots of you have enjoyed the outdoor challenges and are able to
	name lots of trees and flowers in your environment. This week, why not try to make a bug hotel to encourage some visitors to your garden. <u>https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/give-nature-a-home- in-your-garden/garden-activities/build-a-bug-hotel/</u> If you do not have a garden, then have a hunt for some bugs when you next go out for a walk. Where do you think they like to hide? If you look under any stones or logs, make sure you put them back.
Geography	How are you getting on with the St Peter's Challenges? Can you name the four countries of the UK and the capital cities? This clip might help <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z42pnrd</u> Look at a map of the UK. Where in the UK do you live? Can you find other places in the UK that you have heard of or have visited. Do you know the name of any rivers in the UK? Perhaps you could find out some new facts about the country and share something you learn with us. In the autumn we watched a video about Barnaby Bear in Edinburgh. Here is another adventure you might want to follow. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-NRJkmyggPY</u>
Creative challenge	Can you create a collage of an animal or a plant? You could use coloured paper, bits of wrapping paper, newspaper, magazines.

Remember, we would love to hear how you are doing so send us one piece of learning you are proud of. Don't forget to send a photo of you doing something creative or with a message if you would like us to include it in a class video.

Whatever you choose to do, have fun, stay safe and be kind to one another.

With love from

Mrs Hill, Ms Edmonds and Mrs Afonso