Dear Year 2

We hope this message finds you all well. Thank you to everyone who has contacted us during the week to let us know what you have been doing. We feel it is really important to keep in touch, and we love seeing the variety of activities you have been enjoying, and your smiling faces. We think you are all great and have stayed strong during these unusual times. A big thank you to the children who have taken the time to illustrate a word and send it to us. We hope to be able to compile these and share them soon.



This is what some of you have been doing this week. Did you have a go at a collage, or enjoy a tree hunt? Some of you have been using the time to research things you are interested in.











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

Book Scavenger Hunt



The most important thing you can do during Lockdown is to **keep reading and enjoying books**. Hopefully you have lots of books at home or have been making use of free resources online https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/fun-at-home-with-authors-and-illustrators/ is a good place to look. There are also some familiar faces on our website reading stories (take a look at Year 1 or EYFS if you have not already). We know that some of you have become authors

	yourself and have written your own stories. If you have, please share with us. Knowing how much you love a scavenger hunt, there is a book hunt to try this week. Don't forget, you can also have a go at writing a book review on Purple Mash (click the Sharing tab to find other book reviews by some of your friends).
Bird spotting	Have you noticed more birds around since we have been at home? Mrs Hill has spotted lots of goldfinches in her garden! How many can you name? Why not use the bird spotter sheet to help you identify the birds in your garden or the local park. You could keep a tally to show how many different birds of each variety you spot.
Reading quiz The Secret Garden Translinden broat Complete & Unabeligned	Continuing with the bird theme, have a go at reading 'The Robin' . This is an extract from 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett. Then have a go at the questions at the end to see how much you understood.
Art	This half term we would have been looking at the artwork of Angie Lewin. We would have looked closely at the plants growing around our school and drawn them carefully. Using our favourite pictures we would have transferred these to fabric and used dyes and threads to create a piece of artwork. Choose a plant in your garden or park. Look carefully at the shape of the petals and leaves. Have a go at doing an observational drawing of the plant. Dandelion clocks are fun to draw!
Music	We remember our Christmas Play with fondness and your wonderful singing. Why not have a go at singing along to an uplifting song. There are lots to try https://www.outoftheark.co.uk/ootam-at-home/ We suggest start with 'Clap Hands! Stamp Feet!' which can be found in Week 2, Monday. Can you make up some actions to go with the song? You could have a go at changing the lyrics and making up your own actions. We will sing this together when we

Remember, we would love to hear how you are doing so send us one piece of learning you are proud of. We will also update the challenges on Mathletics, Readiwriter and Purple Mash.

are back at school.

We won't be suggesting anything new for half term, but if you need ideas, look back over earlier weeks and try something you didn't get time to do the first time!

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