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Dear Parents and Carers

Children's Mental Health Week



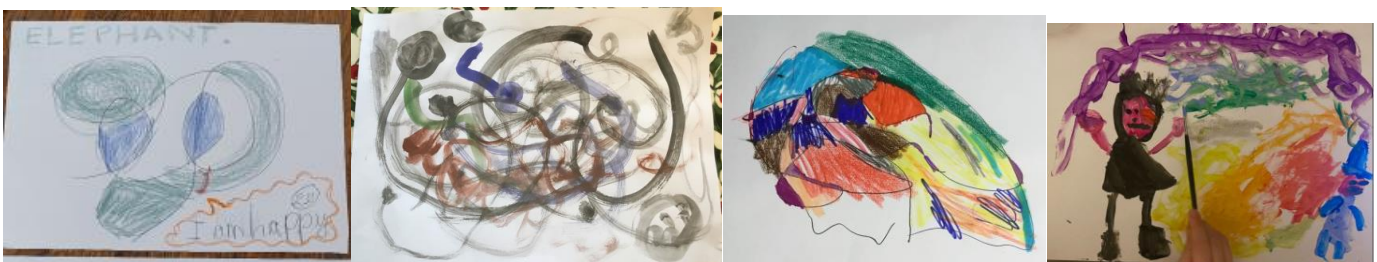
This week children at school and at home have been taking part in activities to raise awareness of the importance of children's mental health.

The theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week is Express Yourself and the children have been thinking about what they like to do to express themselves. Expressing yourself is about finding ways to share feelings, thoughts, or ideas, through creativity and doing activities that make you feel good.

Children in Darling class read 'Shapes in the Sky' and then took part in some cloud gazing – they spotted some interesting shapes and had lots of fun!



Children in Amazon class took time to listen to The Fifth Symphony by Ludwig Van Beethoven whilst drawing or painting a picture. What fantastic results!



Children in Rhine class took on some creative challenges to make an origami dog and do a one minute squiggle to represent how you felt.



If you would like more information find useful tools, apps and websites in this comprehensive list of [mental health resources](#)



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Remote Learning – Responding to feedback on Seesaw

Draft (visible to you and the tagged student)

It has been great to see more examples of high quality remote learning this week. Teachers are tracking which activities children complete and spending time giving quality feedback to your child as they would in class to help them progress.

To help us with this, please can you support your children to submit their work via activities (please do not post straight to journal). To do this, go to the activity on your activity log and click the green +add button to upload to that activity. This way teachers can respond with feedback orally or written. If there is something to action your child's teacher will send this back for them to do. It will appear as a draft for your child to respond to – then you need to re-submit the activity, whereupon the teacher will approve it and it will disappear from your activity log and it will be marked completed.

Teams Meetings

It has been lovely to see everyone and be together as a class even if this has been virtually. We also appreciate your patience as there have been a few technical issues. We are due to have an upgrade to our wifi over half term which should help.

Reading during Lockdown

Please look out for Mrs Anderson's reading during lockdown letter with lots of ideas on how to motivate and keep children reading for pleasure.

Nursery

Our nursery is still open and we are accepting applications to start after Easter or in September. If you know of anyone who is looking please ask them to get in touch.



Dates

Next Friday 12th February is the last day of term. We return to remote learning for most pupils on Monday 22nd February and children of critical works will continue return to school.

Thank you again for all your support.

Kind regards

Sarah Matthews