



## Message from Mrs Hunkin

It has been lovely having larger numbers of children back in school for the past three weeks. Pupils are getting used to being in smaller bubbles (rather than whole classes of 30), seeing fewer school staff than usual, having lunch in their classrooms and not playing with anyone outside their bubble. In every group, pupils are working hard and everywhere feels really calm. Thanks to those of you who are still supporting your children with home learning. I can imagine how hard it is for them (and you), that they are not able to come back to school yet.

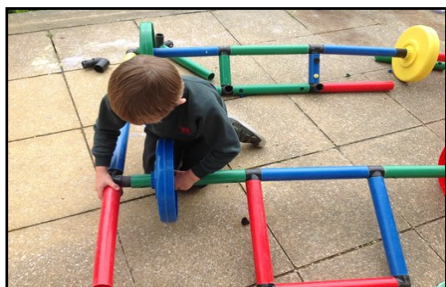
Mrs Olive and Mrs Green have both requested to move to part time working from September – governors have agreed this. Mrs Drzymala (Mrs D) is not yet sure when she will be returning from maternity leave – possibly January, but maybe a little earlier. I am delighted that Mrs Samuels will be teaching Y5 until she returns. She is a very strong and experienced teacher who has worked a number of days at Kea as supply teacher in the past year. I am also delighted that Mrs Marley will be re-joining the staff team in YF to cover some of Mrs Walker's maternity leave. Staffing will be as follows:

YF	Mrs Harvey / Mrs Marley
Y1	Mrs Olive / Mrs McPherson
Y2	Miss Reeve
Y3	Mr Carey / Mrs Green
Y4	Mrs Baker
Y5	Mrs Samuels (until Mrs Drzymala returns from maternity leave)
Y6	Mr Miles

We are still waiting for further guidance from the government about September. It is clear that they intend all primary pupils to return to school full time – but we are waiting to hear more details. For instance, we do not yet know if adults will be able to work with different groups throughout the week, whether classes will be able to mix with others at break/lunch times, whether they will be able to move about the school more freely and use different rooms (hall/ ICT suite), whether it will be ok for parents to gather together outside classrooms at the start/end of the day – or whether we'll still need to have staggered start/end times. I will also be liaising with Kea Preschool to find out whether they will be able to provide breakfast and after school clubs. We will let you know as soon as we know more.

## Bubble Four - Year F and I

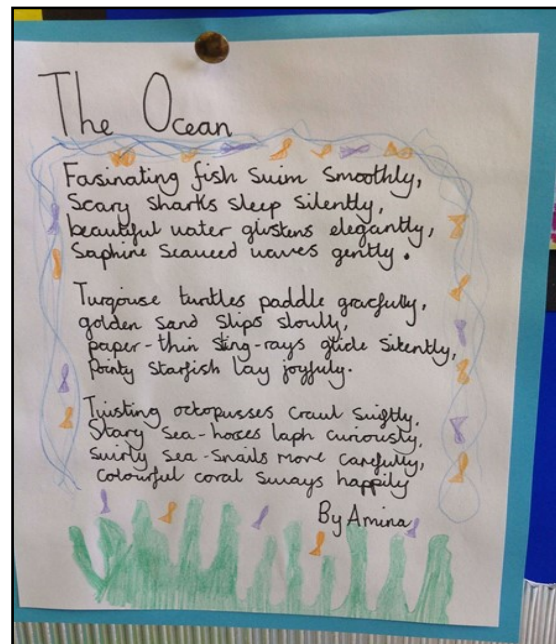
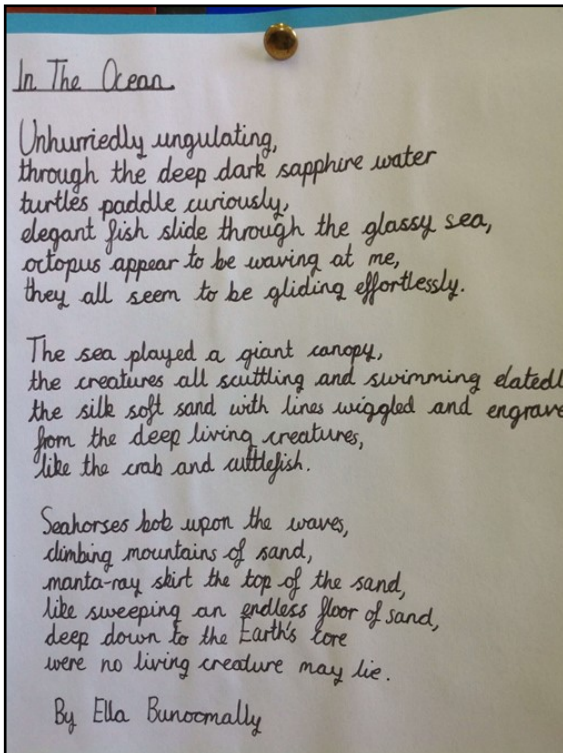
Bubble 4 have been busy all week creating underwater art, writing letters to "The Smartest Giant in Town", making odd and even numbers and finding doubles on our dominoes! Some children have even started building their own car! We have particularly enjoyed getting to know each other better this week through our fun "social distancing" games.



## **Bubble 5 Year 6**

Bubble 5 have been working on their topic for this term - Water, Water Everywhere!

They have been writing poetry based on Saint - Saens **Aquarium** from **The Carnival of the Animals**, and using water colours with the technique of Wax Resist to create pictures to accompany the poems.



## **Bubble 6 -Year 6**

Year 6 Bubble 6 have been back in school now for a couple of weeks and it feels like we have never been away.

The children have settled really well and are working very hard. We have been creating some lovely work for display and you can see the photos on our class page.

We are doing lots of work around settling the children back into school, as well as preparing the children for their transition to secondary school.

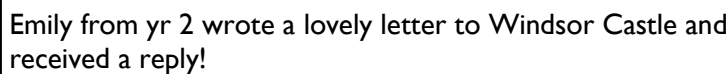
It has been fantastic seeing so many Year 6s back at school, being so positive and supportive of each other and getting on with things as normal. They are an amazing group of children.

Mr Miles



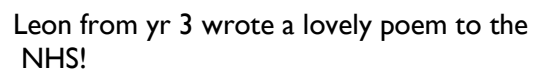


Below are a few photos of some of the fun things you have been getting up to.

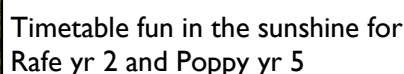
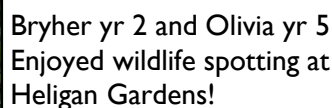


At the air show of hero's I saw ...  
Thousands of people  
Cheering when they saw a jet plane

Another great poem  
by Max C yr 4!



Amelie yr 4 wrote a brilliant report about Japanese Kawaii culture!



A photograph of two children, a girl and a boy, standing in a garden. The girl is on the left, wearing a white shirt, and the boy is on the right, wearing a grey t-shirt. They are standing next to a wooden easel holding a chalkboard. The chalkboard has text written on it, including 'The Great Outdoors' and 'The Great Outdoors' repeated several times. The background is a lush garden with various plants and trees.



## Bubble 1—Keyworker

In Bubble One we have a delightful mix of key workers' children from YF to Y6 who are with us on the days when their parents need to be at work. This gives us a dynamic, fun class and we are incredibly impressed with how well the children are getting on as a group. Whilst they would obviously rather be in school with their own classes, it is a joy to see friendships developing across the year groups as the children having this unique opportunity to make new friends.

In our literacy work this week the writing of children in YF to Y2 have been adding speech to the story of The Snail and the Whale and the children in Y3 to Y6 have been learning about different types of poems. We have all had a lot of fun 'playing with words' and becoming confident with using words such as stanza, simile and alliteration. You might like to have a look at this short video which has inspired us to think about the tone of our poems and has also inspired us to play with words: <https://youtu.be/wFCcbFtd6Zo>

Here is some 'work in progress' (not yet their final polished poems) from Riley, Marcelo, Issey, Tegan and Bea

