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# NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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The class with the best attendance on Google Classroom at 89% was

## Year 6



### Attendance

Please ensure that your child is logging on to Google Classroom every day

## Track & Trace During the Holidays

As cases rise in Islington and across London it is increasingly important to limit your interactions with others as much as possible and to engage with the track and trace system.

If your child develops symptoms and/or tests positive for Covid-19 during the holidays, please follow the steps below;



1. You must seek a test for your child and the household must isolate at home until the test result is returned.
2. If the test result is positive for Covid-19 you must contact NHS Test and Trace and follow the advice given by them: [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/)
3. If the test result is positive for Covid-19, you must also inform school via email [admin@stjhv.islington.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stjhv.islington.sch.uk)

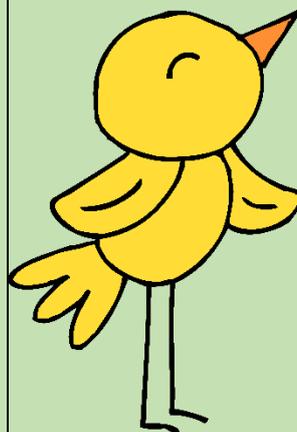
### Collective Worship

Chris and Brigid from Crosstreach created a video assembly on the theme of Immanuel- Jesus being God with us. You can access it here:

<https://vimeo.com/484219696/793eed7e20>



### Spring Term Updates



We will continue to follow the government's guidance when making decisions about the school. As you know, the guidance is subject to change at short notice and is often published after the press have released it! However, we will also do our best to update the school community with any changes as soon as we are able to.

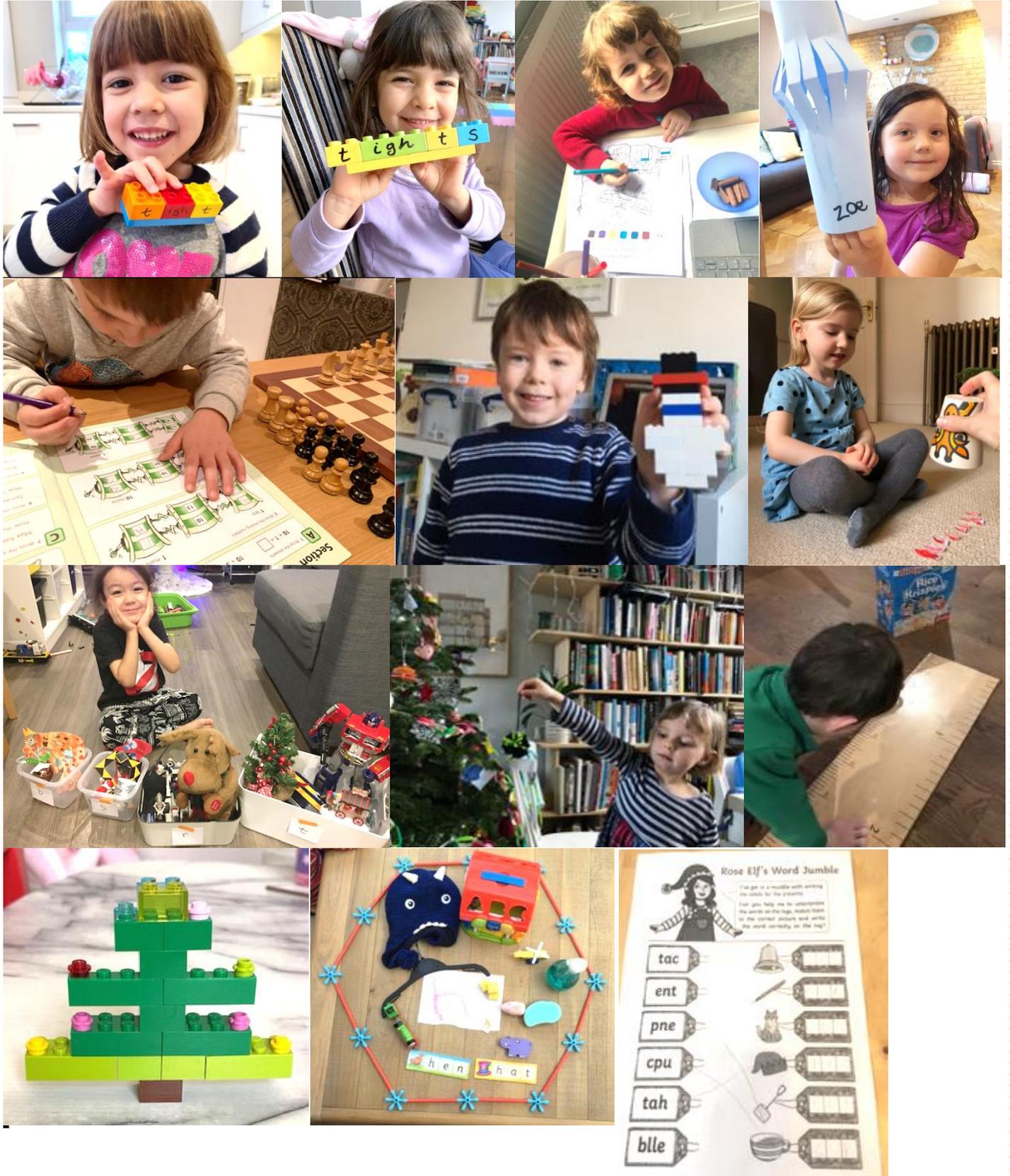
St John's plans to open to all pupils on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

# Recent Events

Take a look at all of the wonderful learning that has been happening at each class this week!

## Reception

We are so proud of all the home learning everyone in Reception class has been doing. The children have been doing sound hunts, counting practice, making Christmas decorations, making Christmas Lego models, spelling words and practicing their sounds, writing Christmas cards and Christmas present tags and lots more. Thank you to all the grown ups for supporting your children with these tasks! You have all been doing amazingly!



# Year 1

Over this half term Year 1 have been focusing on the adventures of Traction Man and Scrubbing Brush. To finish off the term, they have been planning and drafting an adventure that Traction Man and Scrubbing Brush take into their own book.

Once upon a time there was a normal man called traction man he had a pet called scrubbing brush they became very good at being raxtix they were in africa a lion hid in the eye of what? they were going they were sure to be raxtix they met some people who were in the circus scrubbing-brush and traction man joined the circus they were very good at it so they became faemos and livee happy ever after for a ve man that's not they En a traction man married one of the ladies and now it's the End!

Traction man in africa!

or even  
Traction man and Scrubbing brush are rolling on the floor and the store is getting close to them and is planning to snap the book in half and going to eat them.

The extremely close to biting the book Traction man is scared and scrubbing brush is scared too.

The store was bit the book in half scrubbing brush and traction man are running away from the store.

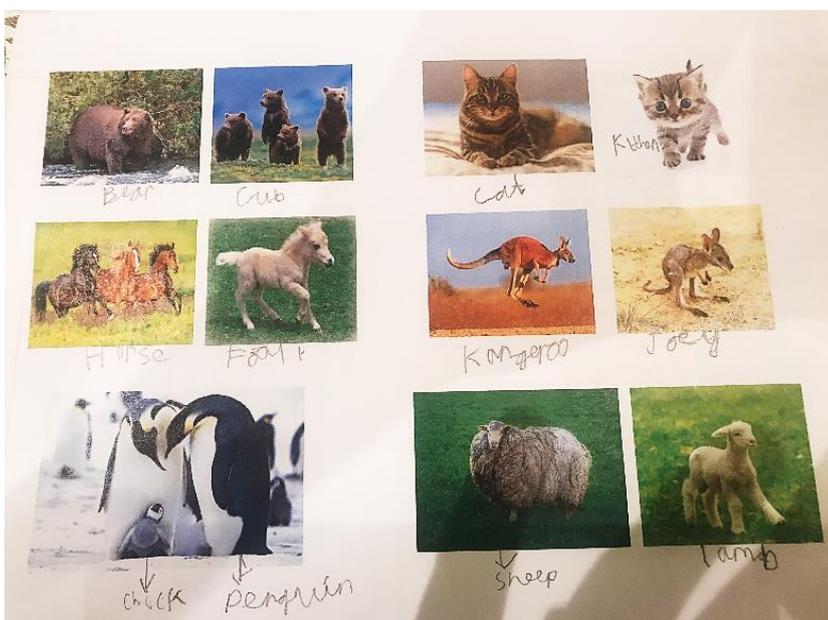
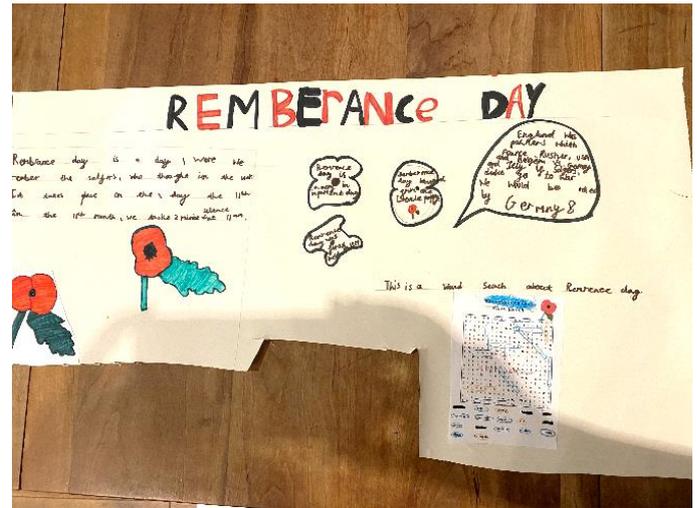
Now they are safe in the car

1. traction man is scaring away the scissors.  
2. then he smacked the scissors in the mouth.  
3. after that the scissors went away in to the water.  
4. after that traction man put a christmas brush was asked on the



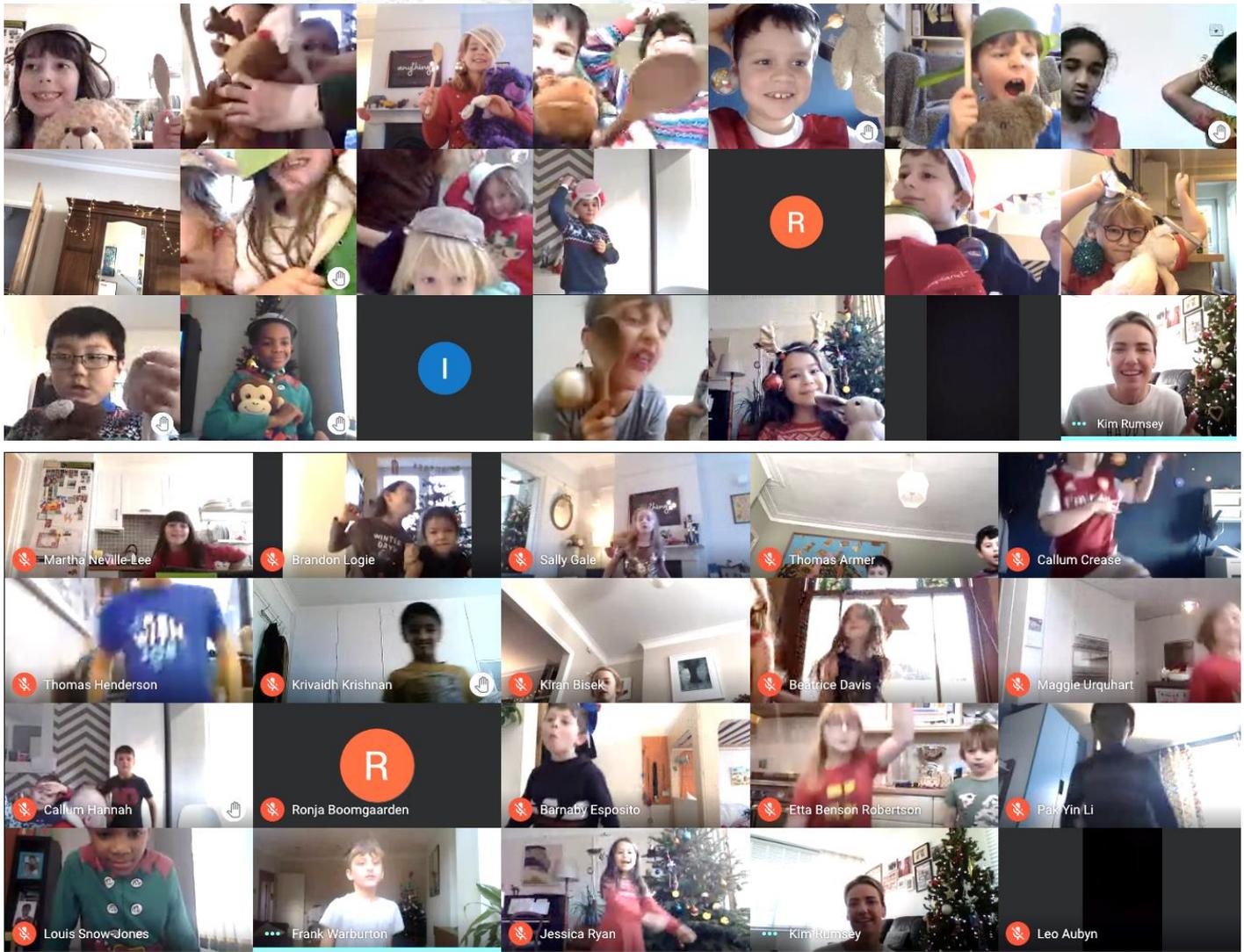
## Year 2

Year 2 have been working hard on their Home Learning, this half term. We have been making puppets, drawing posters and Nativity scenes, matching animals and their offspring and baking delicious festive treats!



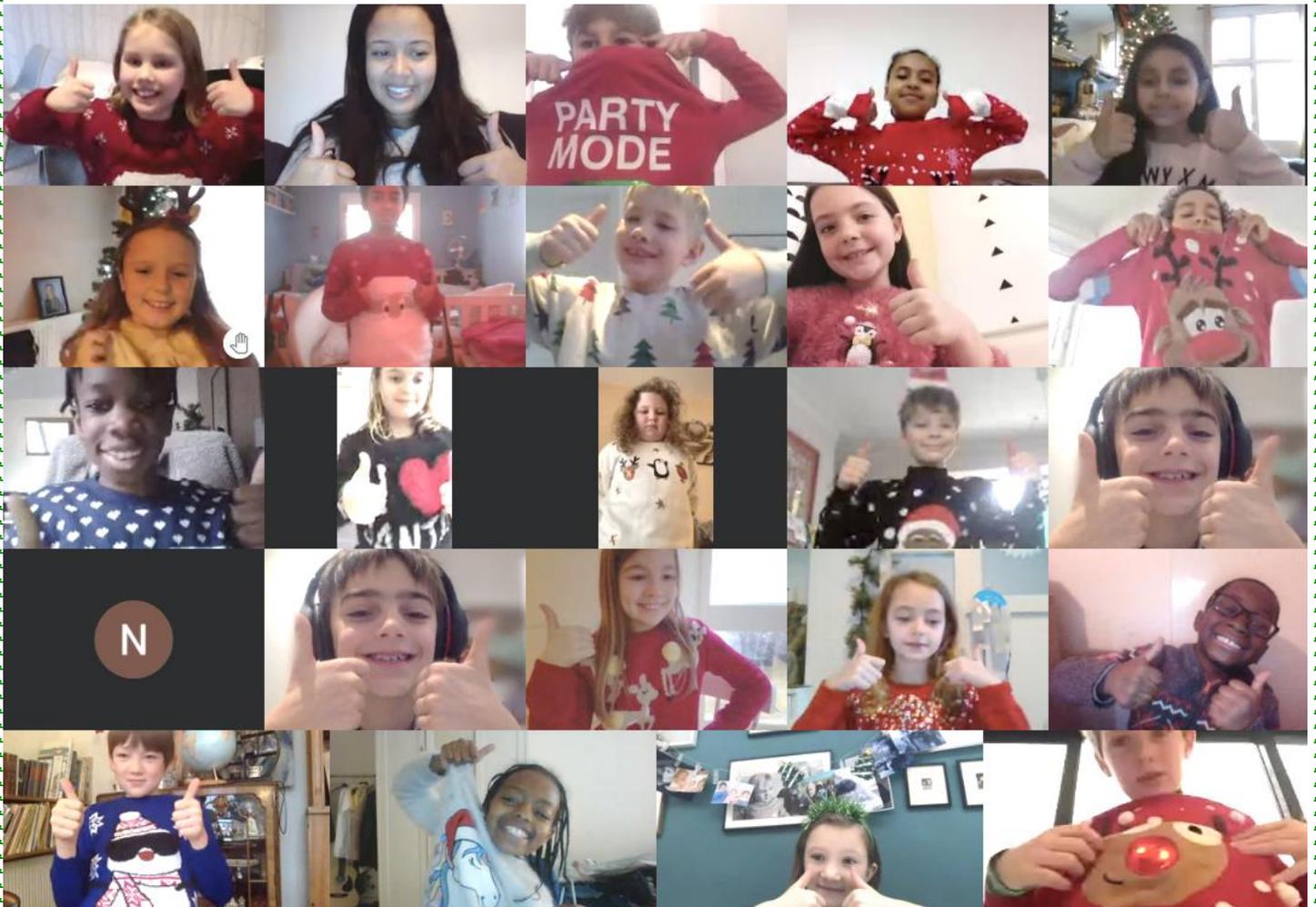
## Year 3

This year's party day looked a little different in Year 3. Everyone who attended the Google Meet put so much effort into their festive gear and had enormous amounts of fun. Special thanks to Mrs O who ran some awesome party games!



## Year 4

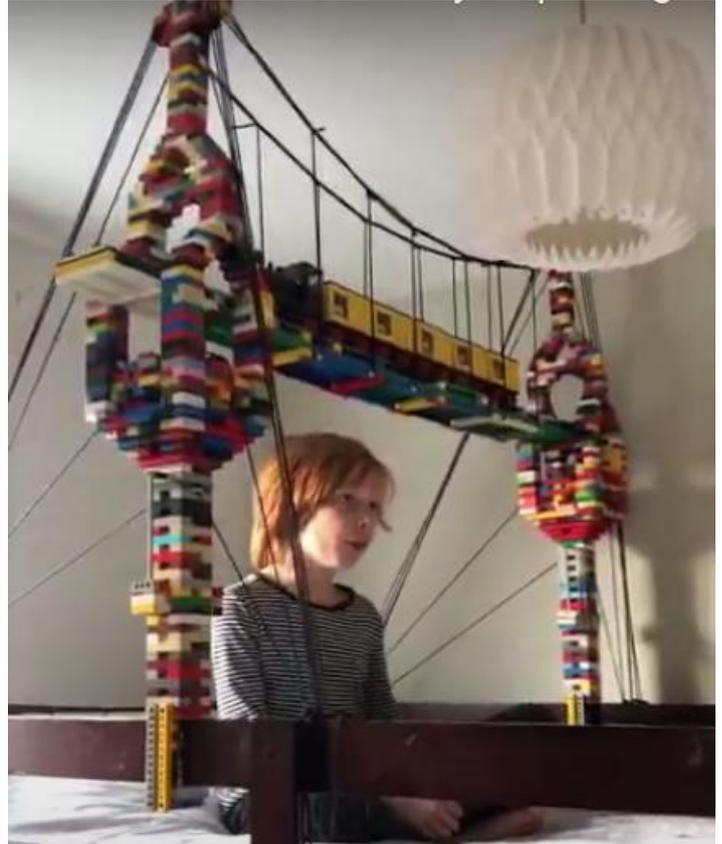
Last Friday, Year 4 had a Christmas jumper google meet. The children wore their Christmas jumpers whilst sharing their fantastic home learning.



## Year 5

Despite the school closure, we in Year 5 have been aiming to make sure we have as much fun as possible with our learning this week. Whether that is making songs about the pandemic set to the tune of 'Jingle Bells' or making models of the fall of Troy in lieu of our History topic this term; it's been amazing to see such incredible work. Thank you parents for helping to make it happen!

One student has even built a working  
Suspension bridge made of Lego!



Dashing through the pandemic,  
Testing all the way,  
We just want to pass the peak,  
And get vaccine's today, Hey!

Jingle bells, use hand gels,  
Stay two meters away,  
Keep your distance, wash your hands,  
And then you'll be okay, Hey!

Watching out for symptoms,  
On a cold December day,  
If you lose your sense of smell,  
Self isolate today hey!

Jingle bells, use hand gels,  
Stay two meters away,  
Keep your distance, wash your hands,  
And then you'll be okay, Hey!



## Year 6

Year 6 have just finished their class text *Pig Heart Boy* by Malorie Blackman. They really enjoyed getting to know the main character (Cameron) and going on an emotional journey with him. Here is a review of the book and pictures of the children's favourite part of the story.

### *Pig Heart Boy review. By Kiran Bisek*

*The story started with Cameron Kelsey, a thirteen-year-old boy, who caught a viral infection at a very young age. This affected his whole life. He was offered 2 human donors but were turned down. Time was running out. Cameron's dad secretly contacts Dr Bryce who arranges to meet Cam and have a heart transplant. Not any heart transplant. A pig's transplant. The story carries on with the transplant going through. Many people loving Cameron, many people hating him. Cam get bad publicity and things get worse. He gets splashed with pig's blood and gets called a murderer! Then the worst thing happens. Cameron's body starts to reject his heart. The story ends with Cameron's nan dying and Cam getting a second transplant.*

*One of the main characters is Cameron. A teenage boy who goes through a lot in his life. Cam's best friend, Marlon, who supports him the whole way through and ends up saving his life. Cameron wishes for a sibling and one day his dream comes true. His mum gets pregnant and Cameron chooses the name Alex for the baby. My favourite character is nan because she is always so lively and positive. She persuades Cam to fight for what you want. To push through the hard things in life and to see the best in things in everything. My least favourite character is Travis because he bullies Cameron. He calls Cam a weed and thinks he is better than everyone else.*

*The story is set in Cameron's house, Dr Bryce's clinic and school. Dr Bryce's clinic is where Cameron finds out that his mum is pregnant! This is also where he sees Trudy and starts to feel sorry for her. The book spends a bit of time in school where Cameron Kelsey tells the whole class he will be having a transplant.*

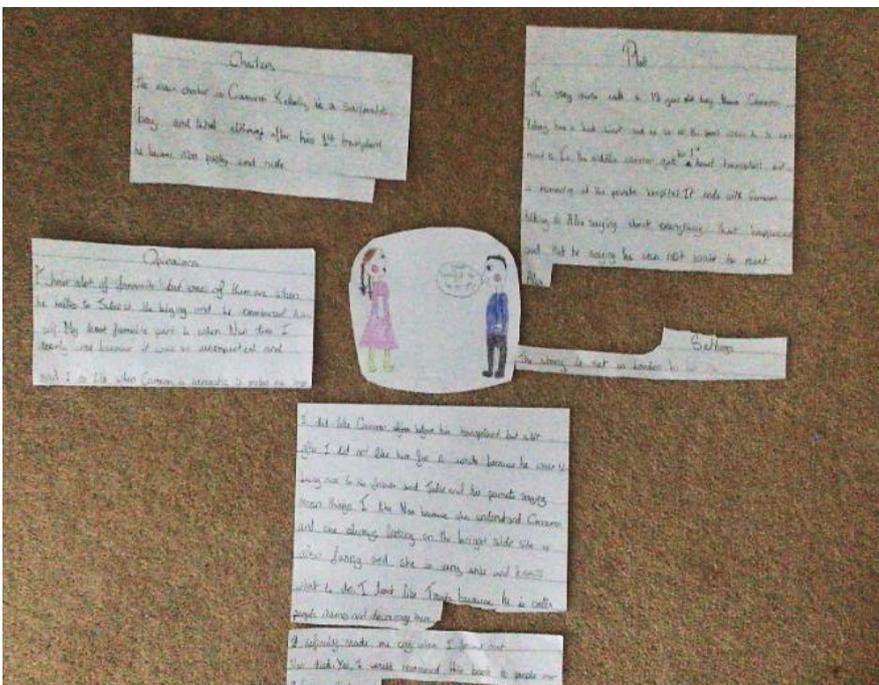
*My favourite part is when Cameron goes swimming and touches the bottom of the pool. This feel like such an accomplishment to me and I feel like Cam should be really proud of himself. My least favourite part was when we find out Cameron's body is rejecting his heart. Cam feels hopeless and like he should give up. I found it funny when Cam was mean to Travis. I felt like the characters had swapped around and I found that quite amusing. I was really sad when Nan dies as nan was the only person who had a special relationship with Cam and Cam could talk to her freely about whatever he wanted. This was something that changed Cameron's behaviour and took him a few days to come back from.*

*I would recommend this book to someone who has an interest in animals and transplants. Maybe someone my age.*

By Elizabeth Hoare



By Lizzie Little



By Amy Waterworth

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## WE HAVE THE WINNERS!

Friends of St John's Christmas Poster Competition with our sponsor,  
James Edward Properties

### 1st Place- Ruqayyah, Year 2



### 2nd Place- Ella, Year 4



### 3rd Place- Orlando, Year 3



Please look for those pictures in the neighbourhood

