

Fen Rivers Academy School News

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Our School Improvement Focus this week: Quality of the Remote Curriculum Offer

This has been an exciting week for home learning and we have been really pleased with the level of student engagement. So much so, that we have set up new class pages on the website where your child's class teacher will be celebrating all the wonderful work that has been coming in. Additional video links to lessons will be posted here too. The class staff have been having lots of conversations about how best to showcase the children's work and this week Polar Bears and Hedgehogs class pages are worth a special mention. There are new PE and Forest School pages coming too which will include lots of great ideas for keeping active and learning in the outdoors, using the garden and daily exercise time to do this in a safe and socially distanced way whilst we are still in a national lockdown.

Here is a wonderful piece of writing shared by Miss Hill. She was really impressed with the effort put in by this student in her class, who not only completed his writing independently but watched an entire documentary on Mount Vesuvius, as part of his research, before creating his fact sheet about it. He says he really enjoyed it too. I feel we may have a Volcanologist in the making here! A great career choice.



The advocates have been doing socially distanced doorstep drops this week to ensure that everyone has access to appropriate technology to enable them to engage fully with the online learning. Daily timetables are sent home via class dojo and these reflect what is going on in school so nobody is disadvantaged by having to isolate. The government expectation is that the regular class timetable is followed and the medium-term plan for learning to ensure children do not miss out on their education. We are ensuring that the

cooking, motional and physical exercise sessions are included as these are so important to physical health and mental wellbeing, key to learning. If there is anything your child is struggling with that we can support with further please do contact your child's class teacher via Class Dojo, one of the advocates via 01553 887335 or myself via the email below and we will be only too willing to help. The on site offer resumes on Monday 25^{th} January when staff complete their isolation and return to site. We look forward to seeing you all back in person then.

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