Messages from Hillcrest

May 2020



A message from the Headteacher

I hope that you and your family are well and managing at this challenging time for everyone. Please remember that staff at Hillcrest are all still working and are here to support you and your child.

I understand that completing school work at home is not easy and I would like to thank all of our students for doing their best and parents and carers for all of the support you are giving to your children, whilst also trying to manage all the other aspects of family life.

Everyone at Hillcrest is looking forward to a time when we can see our students in school again, but for now, we all have to stay at home to stay safe.

While we do not want your child to get behind in their studies during the school closures, we also want to make sure they are not getting anxious or worried about their work. Looking after our mental health is extremely important in this current situation. Please remind them that they can message their teachers for help and advice via Show My Homework (SMHW).

You can see that this edition of the Hillcrest Messenger is very different to normal. Usually we share with you pictures and reports of school activities from the last half term. In this edition we decided that instead of 'The Hillcrest Messenger' we would have a 'Messages from Hillcrest' Messenger so that staff could send their best wishes to all our wonderful students and their families. You will see that some of the photographs don't have captions, that's because they are previews of video messages that we will send out next week in a video version of the 'Messages from Hillcrest' Messenger. We also have some very special videos from Milo and Peggy.

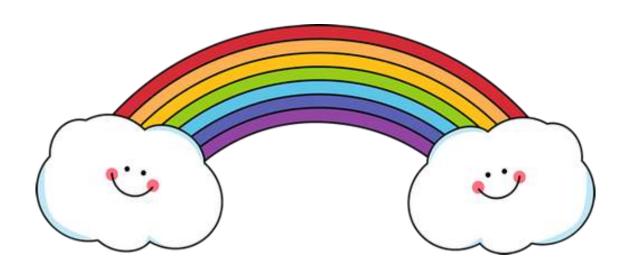
If any parents would like to send in a picture message of positivity from their child to other children to feature in the next (June) edition of the 'Messages from Hillcrest' Messenger, or for sharing on Hillcrest Twitter, please send them to enquiry@hillcrest.bham.sch.uk

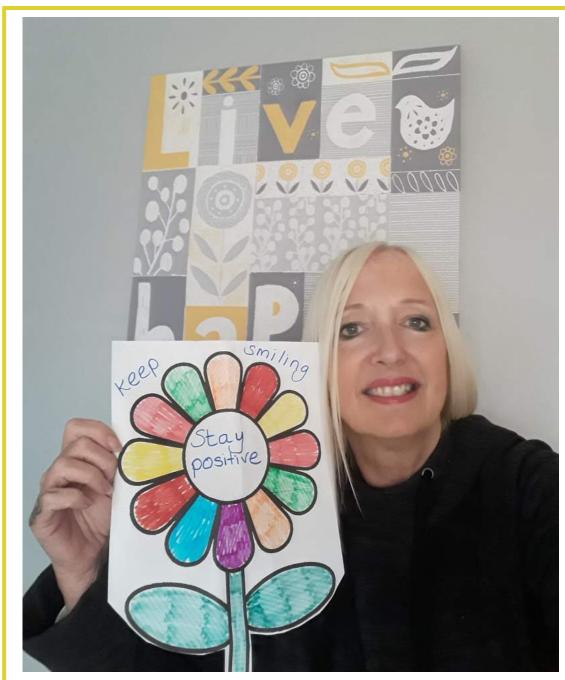
Best wishes and keep safe
Ms Davies





Mrs Mostofi xx





Mrs Stanford xx





Miss Guyver xx











Mr James & Ella xx



Mrs Penn xx

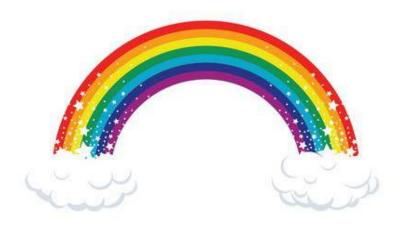


Mrs Drury xx



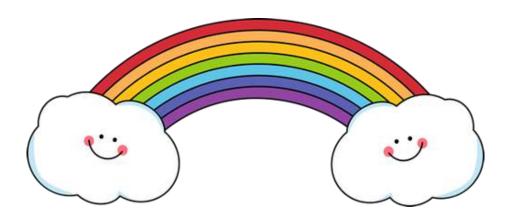


Miss Meacher xx





Mrs Sheppard xx





Keep safe & keep active

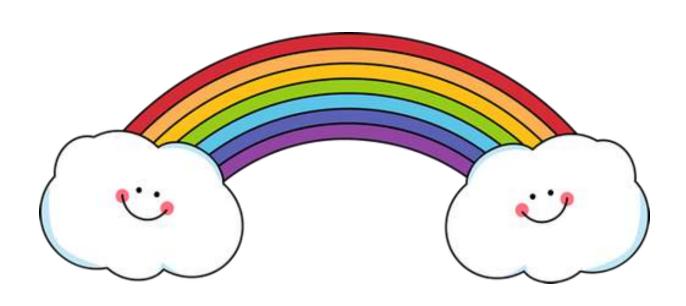


Miss Taylor xx





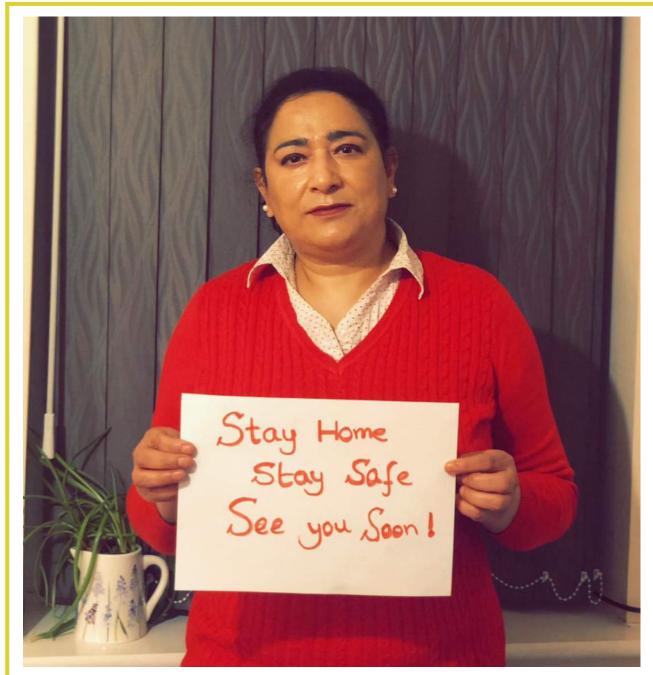
Miss King xx



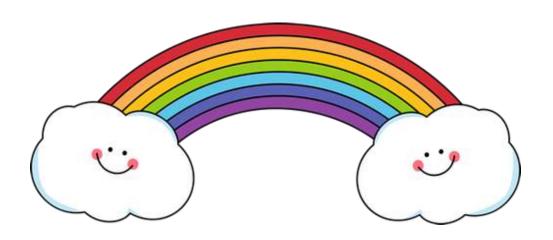


Mrs Koasha xx





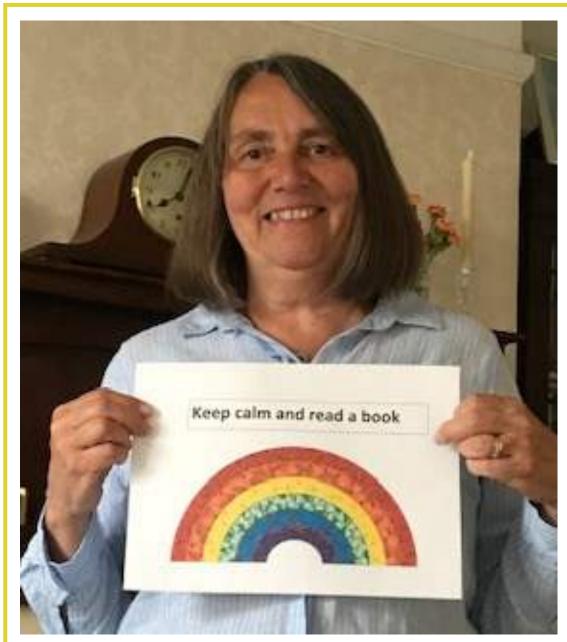
Mrs Zahoor xx





Mrs Hendrickse xx





Mrs Price xx





Mr Squires xx





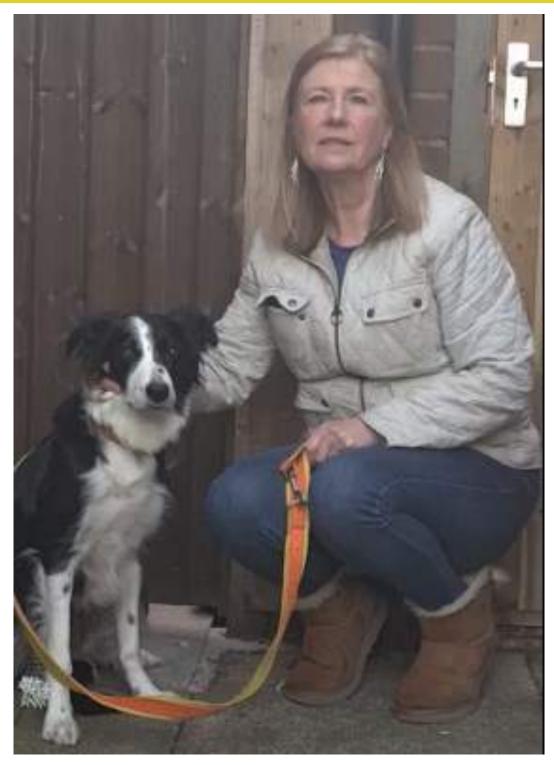
Mrs Sanger xx





Miss Glendening xx





Mrs Field xx





Mrs Kaur xx

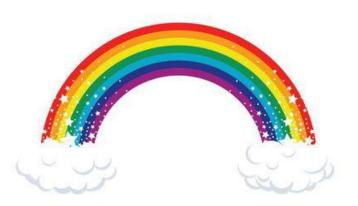


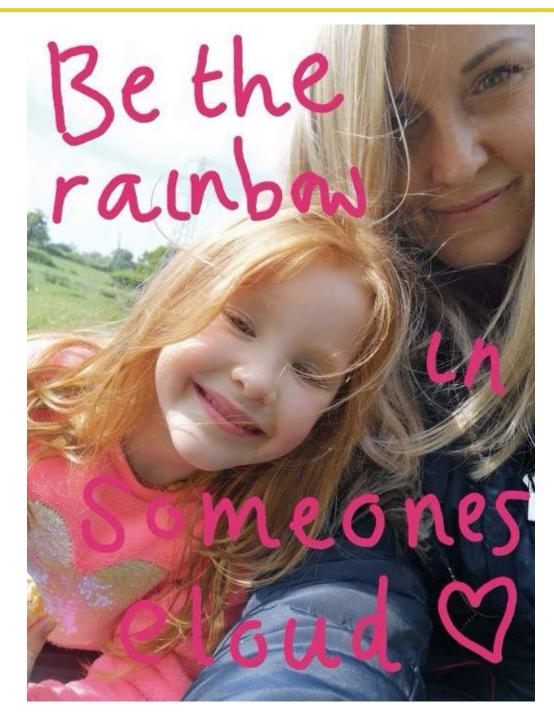


Ms Cooper xx









Ms Cox & Aimee xx





Miss Reeves xx











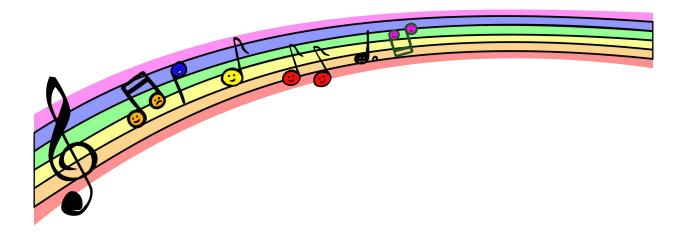
Mr and Mrs Abbotts are pleased to introduce Bruno Samuel Abbotts who arrived a month early on the 5th of April weighing 6lb 8oz. Luckily, Mrs Abbotts didn't go in to labour in her classroom this time! He is doing well and enjoying all the time at home. We hope you are all staying safe at home.







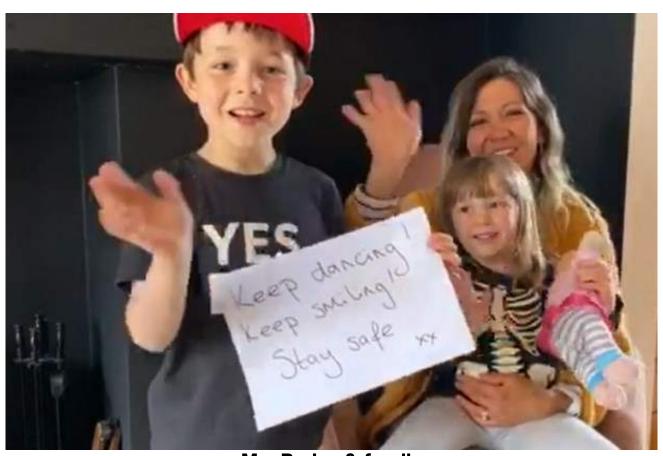
Mr Nock xx





Mr Gregory xx





Mrs Berlyn & family xx



Miss Howard xx





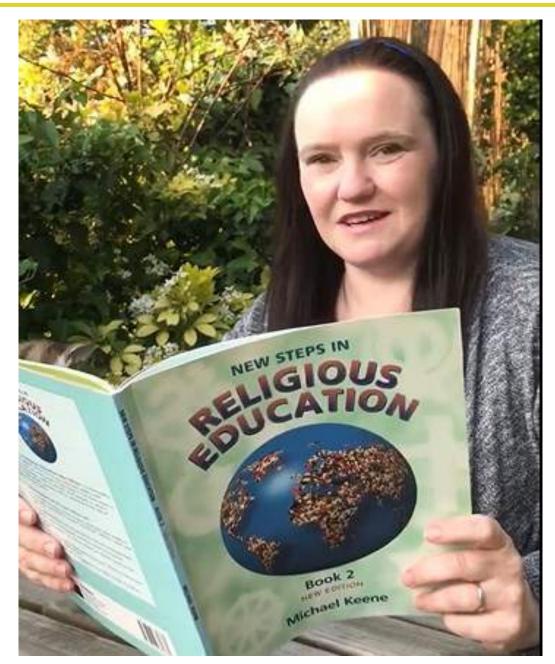
Mrs Johnson xx





Mr Harrison-Webster xx





Miss Calder xx



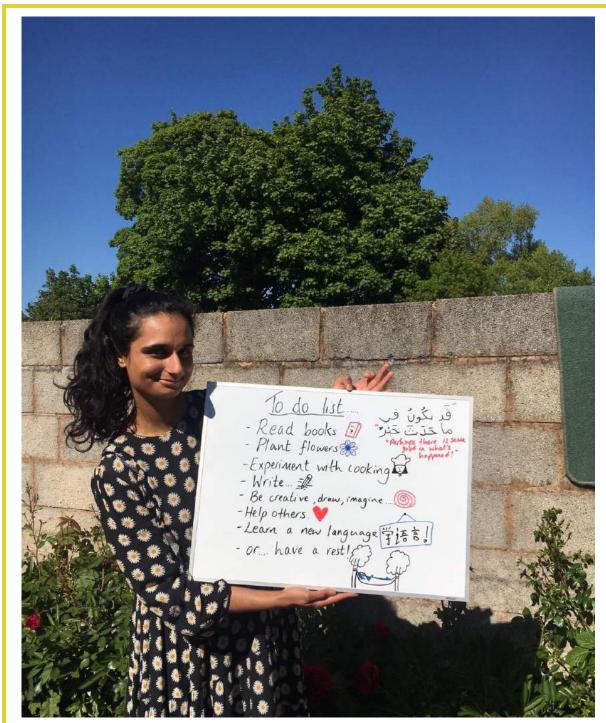


Mr Kennard & Emilia xx









Mrs Erdogan xx



The Rainbow Children

A poem written by a mum in County Durham to reassure her own children at this time, truly lovely.

The history books will talk of now,
That time the world stood still.
When every family stayed at home,
Waved out from windowsillsAt those they loved but could not hold,
Because they loved them so.
Yet, whilst they did they noticed all the flowers starting to grow.

The sun came out, they can recall,
And windows, rainbows filled.
They kicked a football in their yards,
Until the night drew in.
They walked each day but not too close,
That time the world stood still.
When people walked straight down the roads,
That once the cars did fill.

They saw that people became ill,
They knew the world was scared.
But whilst the world stood still they saw,
How much to whole world cared.
They clapped on Thursdays from their doors,
They cheered for the brave.
For people who would risk their lives,
So others could be saved.

But history books will talk of them,
Now adults, fully grown.
Those little boys and girls back then,
The ones who stayed at home.
They'll tell you that they fixed this world,
Of all they would fulfil.
The rainbow children building dreams,
They'd dreamed whilst time stood still.

