

# THE ELMHURST TIMES

Thank you to all of you who have shared your work and a big thank you to the School Councillors who are spending their spare time writing their articles, as well as doing all their Google classroom work.

## Getting back to school

Last week Year 6 pupils and staff came back to school. It will have been very different from what they are used to. Our Year 6 Councillors will be reporting back to us and in the next edition on the Elmhurst Times we hope to find out how they found the return to school. We wish all children and staff returning to school the best of luck.

## What are you all reading?

### KS1

#### *Dev, Year 2*

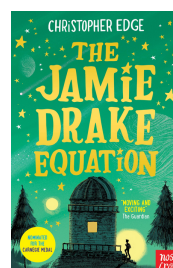
Dirty Bertie Fangs is an interesting story book. I love to read it over and over as it is easy to understand. It is about a boy with nose pickingly disgusting habits. He is full, bursting with crazy plans and ideas. I hope you will enjoy reading it too.

### KS2

#### *Abubakar, Year 6:*

I have been listening to an audio book called 'White Fang'. It is a book for people that are aged 6+. It is a classic and I would recommend it to people who are interested in history and zoology.

I also recently read a book called 'The Jamie Drake Equation'. I recommend it to people who really like dramatic starts and endings. I would give this to a person who is aged 7+.



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# Tasnuba's Signature Noodles (serves 3)

*Tasnuba, Year 5*

Ingredients:

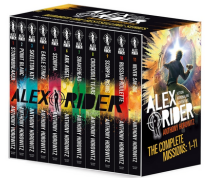
- 250g noodles
- 2 eggs
- 200g cauliflower
- 200g carrots
- 150g sweetcorn
- 1 medium onion
- 2 tablespoons of olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon of salt



1. First, boil the noodles 15 minutes and steam the vegetables for about 15 - 16 minutes. In the meantime, boil the eggs.
2. Next, pour the oil into the cooking pot and put chopped onion until they are a little brown.
3. Then, drain the water out of the noodles and put them in the cooking pot, add salt, and stir for 5 minutes.
4. After, put in the steamed vegetables and stir for another minute.
5. Carefully transfer everything onto a plate.
6. Cut up the boiled eggs (after peeling them of course) and put them on the plate too.
7. Serve with sauce if you want to and EAT! Yummy!

If you want a meaty version, replace the egg with meat: chicken or sausages, it is important to have protein! You can also add any vegetables of your choice into the noodles too.

# Miss Weaver on life in lockdown.



*Isha, Year 4*

## 1. What do you do in your spare time?

The days have all sort of melted together (which is code for "I don't do very much") I've had a go at a bit of embroidery and lots of jigsaws. I like to sit in my balcony in the sunshine to read my book, though I can only do that in the evening because there's a very noisy building site right opposite. I've been having daily, socially distanced chats with my neighbour.

## 2. Do you like to bake?

I'm not normally much of a baker, though I do like to cook. I've made an apple pie, gnocchi, quiche and a mug cake so far. I have big plans for a lemon sponge just as soon as I get some more eggs.

## 3. How many books do you read?

I haven't read as much as I'd like to during lockdown. I've really enjoyed reading a few chapters a day to share with 4W on Google classroom. I've got a great big pile of books that I want to read on my dining table.

## 4. Are you active while you are at home?

I wasn't very active at all for the first few weeks of lockdown, but I've managed to buy myself a bike. I've been cycling all over the place and have recently worked out how to get to my mum and dad's. (We sit outside in the sun.)

## 5. What is your favourite book?

My favourite book changes a lot. It's often the one I'm reading at the time. Right now, I'm nearly finished rereading the Alex Rider books so I'd probably have to say one of those.



# Eid celebrations during lockdown

Maryam, Year 5



On Eid day, my family and I woke up for the morning prayer at approximately 3am. We went back to sleep and woke up with the happy feeling of Eid. My mum and I were awake first, so we prepared the lovely traditional Eid breakfast which we have every year and look forward to. A few hours later, everyone else woke up and there were balloons flying everywhere and everyone shouting greetings of Eid Mubarak, and there were basically lots of hugs and joy.

We had a huuuge feast of cookies, brownies, fruit platter, samosas and lots more yummy treats. After we had tidied up, we got changed into our pretty dresses and then it was my favourite time in the whole of Eid day... The Presents! My sisters and I got lots of awesome presents and my mum and dad loved theirs too. We played with our new toys for a while and then Face-timed our family members.

It was a very different Eid day due to lockdown but my parents made sure we had lots of fun and ate lots of delicious food all day long. I can't wait until the next one!!

And to everyone.... HAPPY LATE EID MUBARAK !!

-Maryam

## Keeping busy



Shazeb, Year 6

Let's Create! Pottery HD Lite available on the app store

This app will teach you how to make pottery and what it is like to sell pottery.

Pottery making ceramics has never been more simple and fun! Become a true artist and create "one of a kind" pottery items and share them with your friends! Throw the clay on the wheel, release all your artistic talents and take benefit of dozens of materials available in order to create your own design! Even when you glaze and fire your very first pot you will feel accomplished and relaxed as pottery is the best way to relieve your everyday stress and find your inner peace. An amazing, therapeutic and uplifting experience you can enjoy with your family and friends!

## Helping the homeless

Shazeb, Year 6

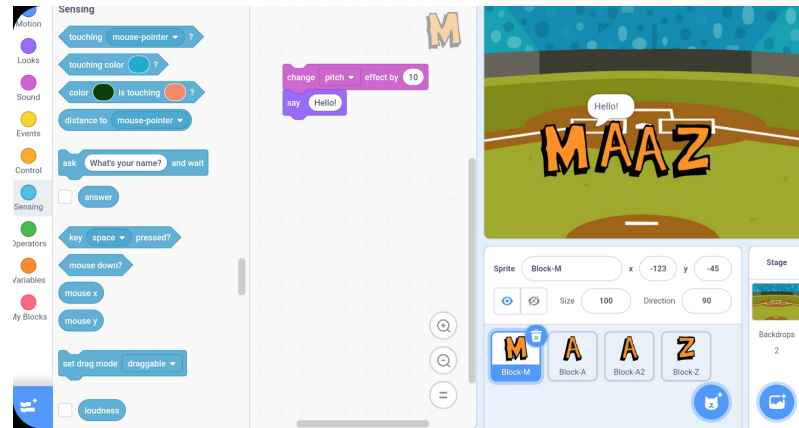
The U.S are making portable sinks for the homeless: portable sinks have been installed for the homeless for their hygiene during this pandemic. Over the course of the last two months a Georgia based non profit called Love Beyond Wall, dedicated to help the homeless, has been setting up a dozen washing station in areas popularly visited by the homeless.



# WOW, you have been busy!

Here are some samples of the amazing work you have been doing at home.

Year 3 have been doing some exciting work in computing. They used the scratch program to animate their names.



Maaz Noman 3TA



Qasim Ahmad 3TA



Yashi Quissor 3TA



Yusra Syeda 3TA

Well done to Year 3. If you would like your work featured in the newsletter next month, then speak to your class teacher and ask them to send your work to Miss Shaw.

# Thank you!

Here we would like to take the opportunity to mention some of the key workers in our community and thank them for their amazing work. If you know of a key worker or a health hero that you would like to thank, please speak to your class School Councillor.

## Key Worker Interview

*by Issaac Alom Year 3*

We interviewed Rubina Akhtar who works for the London Underground as a customer service assistant and asked how life is as a key worker

### 1. How do you maintain social distancing?

"At work we have enough space to maintain a 2 metres distance from one another, we also ask customers to stand at a distance when they need our help"

### 2. Do you feel safe?

"At work I feel safe however, on a busy train I feel somewhat anxious about safety"

### 3. Do you wish it was back to normal?

"I do, however, I don't think the new normal will be like the old normal as people will be more weary of germs."

### 4. What do you miss about normal life?

"I miss going out to eat with my friends, going to the cinema and seeing all my family"

**Thank you**

*by Ayaan Year 4*



My aunty works at the hospital and faces people with Covid-19 symptoms everyday. Here is a letter to all the key workers to say thank you.

*To my aunt and all key workers,*

*You risk your life every day to help other people in need. Every day you go to work despite the dangers. You got sick too but after feeling better you went straight back to help. You are selfless and we thank you for everything. You are doing this to help our country.*

*Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. You are our superheroes. We are lucky to have you.*

Thank you

From Ayaan (Year 4)

If you have an interesting news story, useful website, book review or anything else you would like to share, please speak to you class School Councillor about adding it in the next newsletter.

Have a great week and stay safe.