



Dear Parents/Carers,

With a rather muddled and worrying start to January, I hope you are now getting into some sort of routine as lockdown is back and continues into February. Our teachers are doing a fantastic job in providing learning for the children that have to be in school and the majority that are at home, and you are doing a fantastic job at supporting learning at home. Thank you. It is not easy to help with home learning and juggle so much else: your own work, family, life! Please continue to do the best you can. We ask no more than that. We are still here if you need us and there are no silly questions. Keep safe.

Ms Jordan

Coronavirus Safety



Schools can only provide a place for key worker children where there is no other option. The safest place for your children now is at home. Numbers in both schools are far higher than in the last lockdown, with some bubbles being full. We have had to ask that even key workers only ask for places on the days they are actually in work. Should the number of requests for places continue to rise, we will be using the Norfolk County Council criteria for prioritising places. This starts with parents who are both key workers, then continues with those in the most front line roles. As challenging as home learning can be, please do not request a place in school for your child unless there is no other option.

I am pleased to share that the government have now begun testing of school staff. This means that the majority of our staff will be testing themselves at home, twice per week. Negative tests will of course provide reassurance. Any positive tests will require a second test to be booked and although this would most likely lead to bubble closures, would also help to break transmission chains and keep everyone safe.

Parent and Teacher Meetings



Our next planned parent and teacher meetings are booked for the week beginning 8th February. Learning is certainly different right now, but it is still happening! We want to take this opportunity to talk to you about your child's progress. We may only set one target together this time – something that will be useful and challenging, but achievable through home learning. With so much knowledge of how your child is learning right now, we can talk about what your child is finding more difficult and how we can help you at home. We will continue with our Zoom meetings, but are happy to move these early evening slots to earlier in the day if this would be easier. Please contact your child's teacher via Tapestry/Google Classroom to arrange any time changes. Your child is of course more than welcome to join the Zoom call, in fact we would encourage this.

Safeguarding - Reminders



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

See Something, Hear Something, Say Something:
Call 0344 800 8020

24 hour Domestic Abuse Line:
Call 0808 2000 247

Federation Logo



We are excited to announce that a new Federation logo is being designed! We hope to be able to share the final two designs with you very soon. Once everyone has had a chance to share their feedback, the most popular design will be chosen and added to all new uniform from September!

Home Learning!



My reflections of Workhouses by Evey

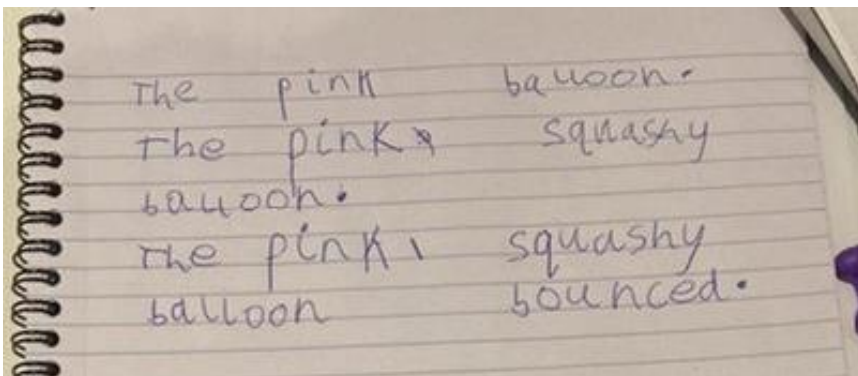
My name is Evey and I live in Spixworth, England in 2021. Yesterday I found a wooden door. How I found it I do not know, but all I know is I was late for class. I took a shortcut but ended up in a strange secret room. I stood still looking at the crumpled map in my hands. "I thought this would lead to my classroom", I pondered.

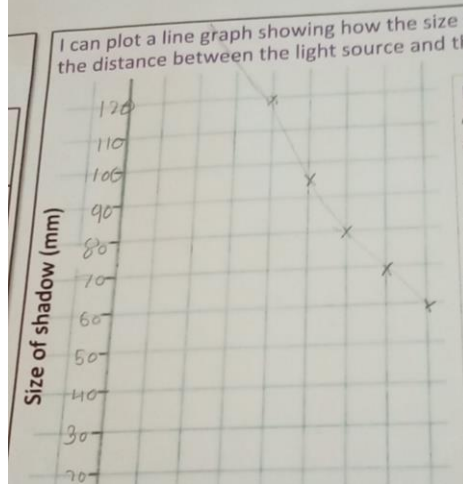
As I walked a few steps from where I stood, I found a mirror and saw my reflection, however it was a different me. She wore a plain grey dress and I was wearing my school uniform. I flung my hand inside the mirror and quickly out again. Then I bravely stepped through. For a moment there was silence, then I was transported outside a Workhouse in 1850. I was shocked but tried not to panic because it might look suspicious.

Suddenly, there was my reflection again, standing adjacent to me.

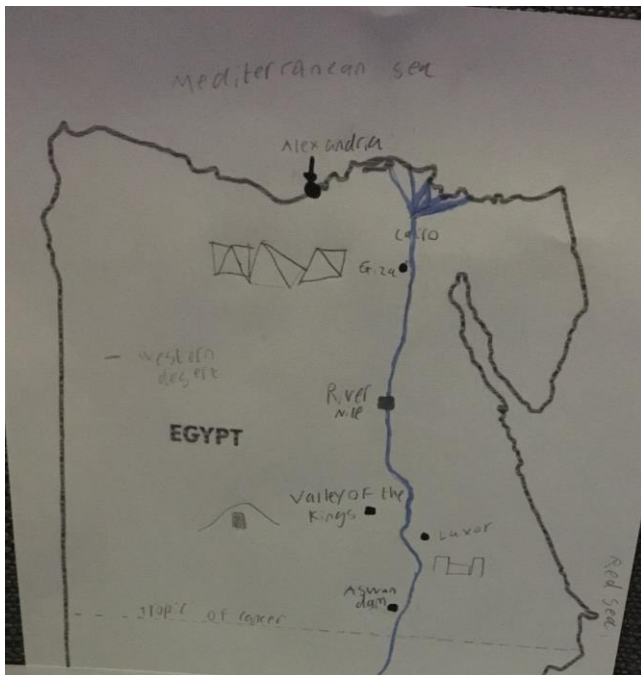
"Hello", she said. "My name's Evelyn, why don't I show you around? Follow me".

Evelyn explained that you have to be very quiet whilst walking through the corridors. She also explained that you couldn't play or be late for meals - or anything else - as you would get punished by the Masters.





This looks like a big gold necklace. I think it could of been used of special occasions as it looks very big and heavy. It could of been stored safely in a pyramid somewhere so no one could steal it. It could belong to a rich pharaoh. It looks like it's made from gold. It tells me that Egyptians liked big gold jewelry.



Dear diary,
 Today was terrible. I was heartbroken. I felt like garbage!
 Today I awoke to a terrible sound it started quietly "rat-a-tat-tat," then louder "rat-a-tat-tat," and louder "rat-a-tat-tat," and louder "rat-a-tat-tat," and louder "rat-a-tat-tat," and louder "rat-a-tat-tat," and even louder "rat-a-tat-tat ."
 I thought the door would fly off its hinges and it swung open. even though it was locked and in walked..... Mr spink , a million thoughts ran through my head was he going to take away our house?!!!!!!!! was he giving us food!!!!!! No he was here for rent but we were out of money. Jim had spent it all on a pudding my heart started beating faster " baboom, baboom, baboom, buboom, buboom, buboom, buboom, buboo," and then Mr spink ripped off the cover and then spotted my purse and said to my Jim "pick up that would you." "is it empty boy." and Jim said "yes" " did you have pudding for dinner "Mr mean landlord aka Mr spink inquired and Jim the poor boy immediately answered "yes sir but don't blame Ma it was Ma's last shilling but I spent it." I thought he was going to the workhouse I was about to say "don't send him to the workhouse" all I said was "d....."and then Mr spink said " right I have another family who wants to move and they can pay "ok the girl's can help me earn more money "NO Mrs Jarvis I am evicting you" boomed Mr spink "girls pack your things were leaving and out the door we stepped.

Keep Up the Excellent Work, Everyone!