

15<sup>th</sup> May

**Home School Link Worker:** From Megan Evetts - Just a reminder that I am still available to support families throughout these uncertain and challenging times. I will be contacting parents that I work with on a weekly basis by telephone, and all parents can contact me directly using the following email address - [oxhslw@glfschools.org](mailto:oxhslw@glfschools.org)

## Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May



**Froebel** - I was blown away by all the amazing photos and videos of your bank holiday and VE day celebrations, really well done, it looked so much fun. Well done to everyone that has continued to engage with school based learning despite the exciting celebrations. Lots of you have posted some fantastic math's activities using your ordering and sequencing knowledge to represent numbers with objects. I have also enjoyed seeing you all enjoying our story of the week 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and learning new songs and dances. Looking forward to seeing your bean life cycles and creating your own parts and characters to the story.

**Nightingale** – It was wonderful to see all your VE Day celebrations and the delicious treats you baked! I know lots of you have been researching into why we celebrate this day and asking your extended family members about their experiences; what valuable family learning. Looking to this week's tasks, lots of you have read and listened to our story of the week Jack and the Beanstalk including learning a new song! Well done also for cracking on with the Maths work this week, starting with creating the number sequence to 20 using by writing numerals and drawing your own Numicon.

**Franklin** – Thank you Franklin Class for posting some lovely photos of your VE Celebrations, it looks like you all had a wonderful time! This week we are focusing on our new story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and it has been great to see your writing about the different characters in the story. In maths, I have seen lots of work using the Ten's Frame and developing your knowledge of 'counting on'. There has been some excellent work using number lines too and creating your own. We are continuing to watch our caterpillars and it's exciting to report that they are all now in their cocoons and hanging from the top of the pot. They will be placed into their net soon and we can wait to watch them turn into butterflies! Do watch the videos I post, if you haven't already, to see the progress they are making.

**Johnson** – There were some great picture so of VE celebrations from Friday. It was fantastic to see some cooking done based on the YouTube cooking lessons that have been created. On top of all of that, the work being completed continues to be top notch. Using BBC Bitesize seems to be working well for everyone.

**Kahlo** – Once again an excellent start to the week for Kahlo class. The children have been finding out facts all about David Attenborough. They also produced a short story for our reading task, imagining what it would be like to be one of the animals from a book they have read, the stories I have read have been so fun and full of description. In maths we have moved onto addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers and all the children have made a flying start.

## Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May



**Fröebel** – It has been so wonderful to see you all getting so creative with making your own magic beans from our story, they're fabulous! Do you think they will grow into a beanstalk like Jack's? In math's we have moved on to looking at the sequence of numbers in a different way. We have experimented with numberlines, numicon and now Lego building blocks. Lots of you were able to tell me that as the numbers got bigger, so did the next tower of Lego, eventually they ended up looking like stairs. Very well done. More fantastic phonic games and sounds too, it is really impressive to see you engaging with these tasks so independently and confidently. Keep up the great work.

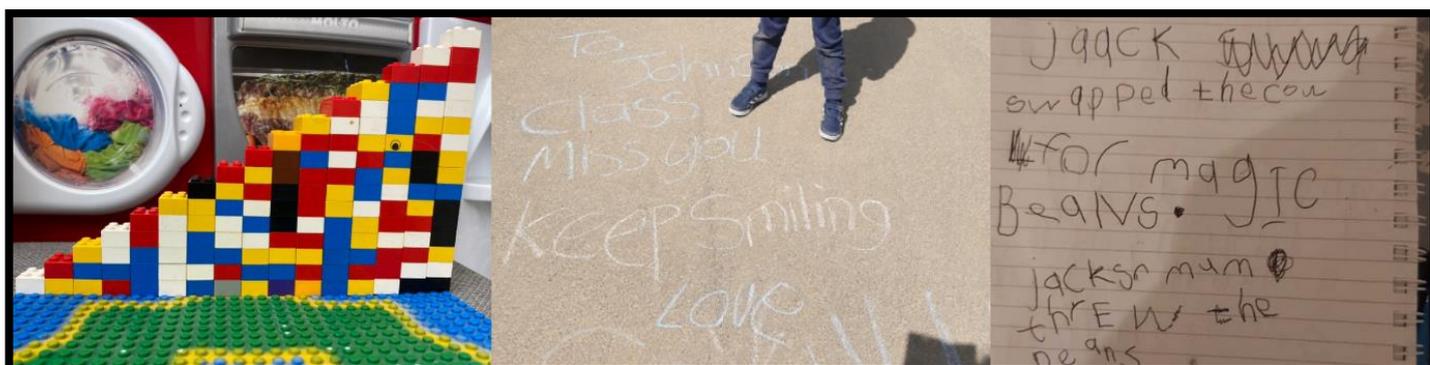
**Johnson** – More cooking pictures today. It seems that some of you have caught the cooking bug, which is great!! It was also brilliant to see reading being done in weird places – in the bath, under the desk. It's good to have fun with reading, including the location of where you read. More great writing, and seeing children go back and check their work has been really pleasing as it shows development of independence.

**Nightingale** – Wonderful sentence writing today to describe the key events in the Jack and the Beanstalk story. I even received a video of the story being retold with puppets and toys from home, what great imaginative and creative thinking Nightingale. I can see lots of you are practising your phonics every day and it is really showing in your writing and spelling. In Maths it has been very pleasing to see the tens frames you have created in order to help count your 'teen towers'. Some of you are even starting to draw your own tens frames – what a super skill to be practising.

**Franklin** – Today the children in Franklin Class have been focusing on the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and either answering questions about the text or writing sentences to describe the characters. I have been really impressed with the level of work I have received, including some good knowledge of phonics. Lots of you are working hard in Maths and I have seen some excellent examples of 'counting on', using your tens frames. Many children are still growing plants and have been showing me photos of what their plants look like now. Some plants are growing so tall, you must have been looking after them well! Keep up the good work children!

**Kahlo** – Kahlo class have used their senses today to imagine they were cameramen and camerawomen out on the planes of Africa following wild monkeys, they described what they could see, hear, smell, feel and maybe even taste. The children have been getting on incredibly well with the BBC Bitesize maths tasks. In addition to that they have written about what it would be like to have a superpower, like one of the characters from a book they have read for their reading task today.

## Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May



**Froebel** – Froebel class have been amazing today by experimenting with different outdoor sounds using different resources to create different pitches and depths, well done. Brilliant work engaging with a new method of phonic tasks today too. We have begun to blend and segment simple CVC words using our 'Fred Frog' talk and knowledge of set 1 sounds. I have been so impressed with your abilities to blend words so far, keep up the practice. Lastly, It was wonderful to see you all enjoying our PE bean game today, you all conducted the task with such enthusiasm and confidence.

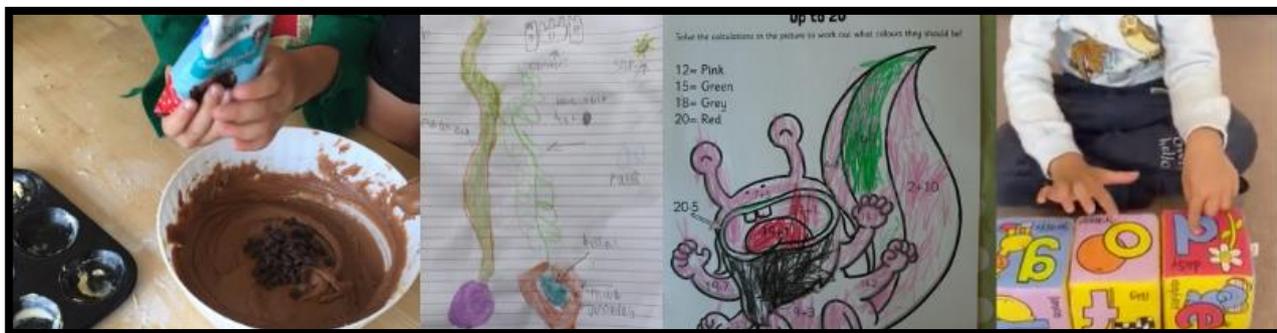
**Nightingale** – Beautiful photos today of your beanstalks, thinking about what they need to grow healthily, and photos of you helping to care for plants in the garden. Did your seedlings become poorly from the overnight frosts this week? Mine did! Wonderful work on reorganising the muddled number lines today and in the videos, you have sent I can hear you using full sentences to justify your reasoning – well done. Lots of you enjoyed the 'jumping bean' PE game today – this is such a great warm-up before any physical exercise. Finally, great work on your comprehension of the Jack and the Beanstalk story.

**Johnson** – WOW!!! The amount of work I've received today is incredible. Maths, Writing, Phonics, Reading, Science, Cooking and Art! It's been great to see the weird places where you're reading, ranging from the toilet, to under the bed, to a cat box/bed. It's getting hard to keep up with all the activities being completed.

**Franklin** – There has been some excellent work today focusing on our story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. I really enjoyed reading the sentences that you have been writing and can see that you have been using your phonic knowledge to help you. I know that lots of you have been using the Oxford Owl website to find books to read and some of you have even sent me a short video of you reading, well done. Many of you had fun thinking of actions for the physical 'bean game' challenge, for example, I saw actions for jellybean, string bean and frozen bean!

**Kahlo** – Kahlo class have been working incredibly hard today at solving some very tricky sums posed to them by BBC Bitesize, the children showed incredible perseverance to find the answers. For our reading task today the children imagined what questions they would ask characters from the books they are reading. In our writing task we found out the definitions of scientific words related to nature and then used these words to fill in the blank spaces to complete some sentences.

## Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May



**Froebel** – Beautiful Jack and the Beanstalk story creations today, thinking about characters, ordering events and using descriptive words to describe the story line. For our math's task today, the children were getting creative in making their own set of dominoes using numerals and pictorial representations, I'm looking forward to seeing you play with your grown ups when they are complete. Wonderful work putting your green fingers to the test today, by planting your own beans in an observatory glass jar. I am really looking forward to seeing how they grow and finding out how you have looked after them.

**Nightingale** – Today you have created tens frames on a giant scale today, using books, hair bands and other objects around them home to lay them out in regular layouts – super work. Some amazing work on your number formation too, labelling your ten and twenty frames correctly. In your Writing you have used your imagination to think about what else Jack could find at the top of the beanstalk....my favourite is the scary dragon idea!

**Franklin** – Lots of maths work has been taking place today. You have been finding objects from around the house and carefully arranging them to help you count. Many of you enjoyed watching the number video and were joining in with the words, so well done! Photographs have been uploaded to Tapestry of you joining in with the Jo Wicks sessions and cosmic yoga as part of your PE tasks. Well done for keeping so fit and active!

**Johnson** – Those who have completed work have done everything! Maths has been most impressive, but it's really pleasing to see so many getting involved with the writing task. There has been more reading in weird places and it has been good to see more involvement with the cooking lessons.

**Kahlo** – Kahlo class have blown me away today with their creativity, for their reading task today they created scenes from their favourite books using chalks, sheets, pillow, basically anything they could find in the house. For our writing task today, the children channelled their inner David Attenborough and produced speeches about animals they might find in the habitats they have in their gardens...can't wait to see you perform your speeches tomorrow!

## Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May



**Froebel** – What a fantastic week for Froebel class! This week I have been particularly impressed with your math's tasks. I was blown away by the creativity and imagination you have all showed me for representing, ordering and arranging numbers to 10. You have demonstrated a brilliant knowledge of number and have completed some amazing work with all the different resources, Well done. I have also loved seeing all your photos and videos of you baking, being active in the garden and spending time with your loved ones. Super work this week, have a wonderful weekend.

**Nightingale** – As well as your curriculum tasks this week you have been busy enjoying time with your families and making memories together during this unusual time. I have loved seeing photos of your family experience including you decorating birthday cakes, gardening, enjoying walks together, writing pavement messages in chalk, and making the most of the sunshine.

**Franklin** – What busy week of home learning Franklin class! It has been really interesting to watch the videos of our class caterpillars and see them grow bigger and bigger. An exciting change happened this week and the caterpillars crawled the top of the pot and form themselves into chrysalis. We are now looking forward to them turning into butterflies! Don't forget to add to your caterpillar diary to record what is happening. I am enjoying seeing the photographs that you have added to Tapestry of things you have been growing, these include potatoes, dandelions and beans. Well done!

**Johnson** – Another week of incredible work by children and parents! An all-round well done to you all. As well as the Maths, Writing, Phonics and Reading being completed everyday (especially the reading in weird places, which continues to be fun) the amount of baking and cooking at home has been amazing. Ranging from bread, to blueberry muffins, to chicken curry. Great job everyone!

**Kahlo** – Well done everyone for a fantastic week of learning. Today the children have been filming their own nature broadcasts just like David Attenborough. I loved seeing the different habitats around. They have also been having a go at drawing facial expressions for the characters in their books and tackling tricky maths challenges. What busy bees they have been.

**Additional Home Learning Support:** You may have seen, over social media, that number of new resources have been launch nationally to support learning whilst schools remain closed. We intend to continue with our existing home learning offer and will be making use of some of the BBC Bitesize resources where relevant. These will be added into our daily overviews for you to make use of. Should you wish to access any further learning activities, there is now a wealth of daily lessons for all year groups through the following website: <https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom> The Oak National Academy is a new collection of high-quality lessons and online resources. Backed by the Government, it has been created in response to the coronavirus lockdown. Their online classroom offers free access to great teachers, delivering video lessons, quizzes and worksheets. Available for both primary and secondary levels, it covers a range of subjects. All of the lessons are ordered so your child can learn along a clear plan, with new lessons and resources each week. Please note, there is **no** expectation for you to use any of these additional resources. However, they are there for you to access should you wish to.



Have a nice weekend

*Hiddleston*

Julie Hiddleston and the school team



# LEADERBOARD

1st Jacob

2nd George

3rd Nila



# LEADERBOARD

1st Gabriella

2nd Milly

3rd Helena



# STARS OF THE WEEK



Kahlo: Milly

Johnson: Edwin S

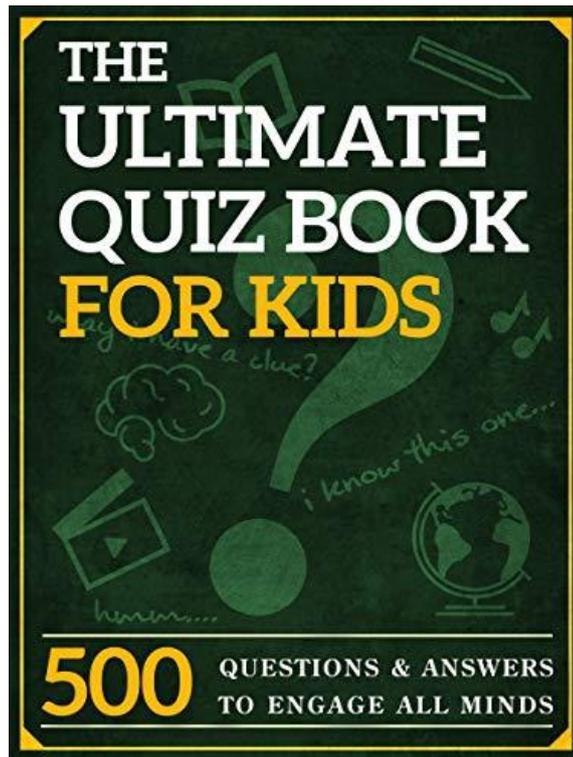
Nightingale: Imogen D

Franklin: Darae



We miss you all!

## Mrs Martin's Book Recommendation



**Author:** Peter Keyne

**Publisher:** Kindle edition

Currently free to download as an ebook through [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) - **kindle unlimited**

### Review

We have been having lots of fun with this book in my house during lockdown.

The Ultimate Quiz Book for Kids brings together a host of general knowledge quiz questions created especially for younger minds. Inside this book you'll find over 500 fascinating quiz questions spread across 50 quizzes. You'll be able to test your knowledge across a great range of subjects, including geography, history, sport, science and nature, art and literature, and movies and TV! Alongside the straightforward quiz questions, you'll also find some special bonus rounds which include rhyming quizzes, alphabet quizzes, and "sort out it" lists of famous people, places, and things.

Good luck and happy quizzing!

## Longford Park Primary School App

Now more than ever, it is essential that our parents have this app.

Through the app, we are able to:

- Send messages – much like text, but with more information and links
- Provide information – such as news items, school dinner information etc
- Contact information at the tip of your fingers
- Events and alerts for our events

### Downloading the app

You can download the app from the Playstore (using Android devices) and the App Store if you have an iOS device.

iOS: <https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/piota/id1297224201?mt=8>

Playstore: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.piota.app&hl=en\\_GB](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.piota.app&hl=en_GB)

Or search for **Piota – deeper engagement**. The icon is grey and looks like this:



Once you have downloaded it to your device, search for our school and connect.

### Using the app

Once downloaded and after your child is enrolled with us and has started, you will be able to register your device with the app, by clicking on the padlock icon:

This will enable us to tailor information to you as a parent. We can send messages to class groups and even individually, so it's really important that you register your device as soon as you are able. Please ensure you allow the app to send notifications as this will alert you to any information that we are sending you.



If you have any questions regarding the app, please email the school office on [info@longfordparkschool.org](mailto:info@longfordparkschool.org) and will try to help you.