

Monday 20th April 2020

Dear Eagles and Falcons,

We hope that this newsletter finds you well and that you're being kind and helpful at home?

What a strange couple of weeks it has been so far, especially for the teachers and children that have been into school — it is so quiet! We all miss you very much, but we have been really impressed with the work you have been doing at home. Keep it up! We know that lots of you have also been doing some lovely things with your families too. This is a difficult time for everyone so remember to be patient with your parents as some of them have never worked from home before, let alone being your teachers during the day!

Spotlight on... Mrs Clark



This is me... thirty something years ago! Looking very cute if I do say so myself! I was born in Cuckfield in East Sussex and lived in Uckfield until I was nine years old, before moving to Ashford.

Things I love: Gardening, swimming, reading, crafting, music, singing, walking, birdwatching and nature.



Before I had my twins, Amelia and Oliver, I loved to cycle with Mr Clark. This is us at the top of a very tall mountain called Galibier. Maybe you could look on Google Earth/Maps to see where it is? We also cycled up Alpe d'Huez which is often on the Tour de France! I wish I was that fit now!



I LOVE gardening! This is one of my new trees, a weeping cherry.



My recent puzzle adventures and making rainbows to put in the window.

Persuasive writing task 🖊

Here are some resources which may be useful when planning your persuasive writing piece.

- Information to help you put together a piece of persuasive writing
- Examples of Caribbean resort writing
- <u>Mathletics support</u>
- Types of angle / How to use a protractor /

Use the help links for anything that you are unsure about.

Topic research

Below are some links and resources which show you different Caribbean holiday destinations from well-known travel companies and information sites:

https://www.virginholidays.co.uk/destinations/caribbeanholidays https://www.tui.co.uk/destinations/caribbean/holidayscaribbean.html https://www.sandals.co.uk/resorts/ https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Caribbean-Sea/352913 https://kids.kiddle.co/Caribbean

- Comparing the Caribbean and UK
- <u>Classifying living things</u>
- Animal groups sorting cards game



SPACE CHALLENGE!

You can try and spot the International Space Station from your own garden! Follow the Nasa website link below and it should take you to the Ashford Location. If not, just search for Ashford above the map. Some of them are probably past your bedtime (yeah, right!©) but some are at a more suitable time. Just scroll to the table at the bottom and it should tell you where to look and on which days and times — you might need your grown up to help with the directions. If you manage to spot it, maybe you could write about it in any diaries you're keeping, or, perhaps text, email or write to a relative to tell them all about it? Happy spotting!

I regularly see many satellites over my garden in the evenings — don't forget you are only looking for a tiny light which moves in a straight line across the sky. Can you think about why we see a light?

https://spotthestation.nasa.gov/sightings/view.cfm?country=United_Kingdom®ion=England&city=Ashford#. XoW2A9NKg1l