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As we move into a new month we have new things to look forward to, starting with VE Day Celebrations tomorrow to mark 75 years of peace. The weather is forecast to be good so we hope you all have a lovely day. We look forward to hearing all about the ways you have celebrated next week.

Please see the school website for a Guide to Online Safety whilst children are off school.

A thought from Calan in Year 5:

Education is the foundation of society because if we knew nothing the status-quo would crumble.

Have fun learning, stay in and stay safe.

Please note that we do not intend to be open on VE Bank Holiday tomorrow. Schools are remaining open **only** for the children of Key Workers critical to the ongoing management of Covid-19 that are **unable to safely stay at home**. If there is an alternative adult, such as a partner or second parent who is not a critical worker, parents may be questioned as to why the child/ren is/are not able to stay at home as per the Government's guidance. **If the other adult is working at home or able to take leave from their non-critical job, this will be deemed as a safe alternative** (as per Essex LA guidance for schools). The school is currently open for those who meet the criteria in the above paragraph, BUT this will only be on the school days where we have been advised that childcare provision is required. This is so that we only open when absolutely necessary thus supporting the Government's non-essential travel guidance. Therefore a place **must be 'booked'** for your child to attend a school day and, for those who require it, there can be the provision of a free-of-charge after-school club ending at 4.15p.m. Please email to book your child's place under the subject title 'Critical Worker Childcare Required' **giving a minimum of 24 hours' notice**. Please use the admin email address (admin@st-andrewscofe.essex.sch.uk), which will be monitored on a daily basis, so that we can arrange a provision to meet your needs.

Above arrangements continue from 11th May – remember to book.

Dancing Darren's Online Stream: Dances are uploaded each Thursday and your password has been emailed via DB. Go to <https://www.dancedays.co.uk/remote> (also on DB and the homepage of the school website).

Miss Gutteridge's music video for this week will be on Yumu from today.

Here are a few more suggestions for our Jar of Joy.

Baking muffins and cheese scones and colouring unicorn pictures.
Leoni



Build a den.
Melissa



DB Please note:
Email attachments can now be up to 15mb in total. DB is a product of New Era Technology whose GDPR policy can be seen at <https://neweratech.co.uk/data-sharing-agreement/>

Go back to Brownies
Connie

To go to school again
Frank



To go for a long walk on a beach with my family and my dog.
Mrs Stroud

LOOK OUT! ...for video stories from the Open the Book team: <https://www.facebook.com/OpenTheBookuk/video/2543128015902242/>

Good Luck to Jake in Year 6 and his mum who are walking 26 miles over 7 days to raise money for Colchester Gateway Clubs. If you wish to find out more or support them please go to:

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/ClaireSparkes5/1?utm_source=messenger&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=fundraiser&utm_term=socialshare&utm_content=fundriasingpage

Jake has also been fabulous in his home learning and trying new things ▶



◀ Also from Year 6, a wonderful attempt at the Mission Impossible task set by Mr Birbeck.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS
BATTLE SUPERSTARS

Year 4 v. Year 5
Winners: Year 5 9,847 to 8,125
Yr5 Highest: Tommy – 2,908
Yr4 Highest: Melissa – 3,230
Well done to all! Yr3 v. Yr next..

Dear God, thank you for all the soldiers who fought for us in World War II which we learnt about this week. Thank you for looking after us all and keeping safe at this time I am thankful for my life and that me and my family are safe and well. Thank you to all the NHS workers, supermarket workers, key workers and everyone who looks after me. I am thankful that everyone is so hardworking and that the rules are being followed. Amen
By Reggie, Oakley, Sheldon, Theo Ewan & George H (Year 3)