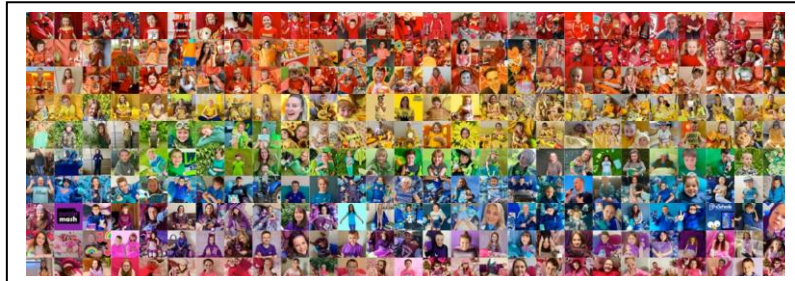


*Lanchester
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*A summary of your journey
throughout Lockdown
at Lanchester EP School!*

Summer 2020



Report for Parents

Effort

I have been very proud of the way you approached home-schooling from Day One. I am sure you were rather daunted by the prospect of trying to balance teaching your children as well as working from home – a completely impossible task for you really.

However, you worked hard, put 110% effort into it all and I am very proud of your efforts. Even though your children may not always have appreciated it, you were organised, enthusiastic and your effort was faultless. Resources were nearly always prepared in advance and ready for your children.

You have also been very creative in your role with so many children learning other skills during their time with you – baking, painting, pointing, horse-riding, kindness and lambing – are just a few of the many other skills you have shared with your children.

There has also been a wonderful willingness to create colourful lesson plans, even if they were not followed or appreciated.

You have taken the time to log onto Learning By Questions daily, happily giving up your iPad to do this, even though it meant that you could no longer do your own work.

Some of you have even helped to make videos – you have videoed your children, emailed them and been so creative in your ideas!

Perhaps the most challenging thing however, was simply getting out of bed in a morning. I am sure there have been many days that you could have happily turned over and pretended all of this was not happening.... But your child came first – again – and once again, you emerged from your bedroom, ready to start another tough day all over again! Well done each and every one of you.

Grade: Outstanding

Attitude

Your attitude to your new role as a teacher has been excellent. There have been times however, when I have noticed a lack of confidence – this is totally understandable. Support was given when needed to help you overcome this.

You have really shown passion for learning, even with subjects that are new to you or taught differently. I know you have struggled to get to grips with some of the new teaching methods but you have persevered and overcome this! Well done!

You have shown a great 'can-do' attitude when it comes to home-schooling, even when faced with children who were desperate to just watch TV. You persevered, tore your hair out, became angry and frustrated – but you returned to it time and time again. Well done!

Your engagement with school's social media has been first class. You have been game to join in with the twitter challenges, even if they were out of your comfort zone. Thank you – we are proud of you!

You are a real role model. Your self-motivation and dedication has been outstanding. Even though you felt totally overwhelmed and daunted at the start, you overcame this. You learnt many new skills, which were often self-taught - your perseverance has been admirable. Well done!

Grade: Outstanding

Achievements

As a result of your amazing effort, you have achieved the impossible.

You have managed to:

- educate your children
- care for their everyday needs
- reassure them when they were upset
- cope with the changes in their behaviour
- make their meals
- give them regular snacks every hour (or even more regularly)
- wash, dry and iron all their clothes
- really master the ins and outs of a Zoom call
- navigate a plethora of new technology – Zoom, Learning By Questions, Evidence Me, eSchools
- read Twitter daily for challenges and updates
- update photographs and comments to Twitter and Evidence Me
- provide art and craft materials for your children
- learn a whole new range of vocabulary (fronted adverbials, noun phrases, subordinate clauses)
- gain more patience than you thought was possible, even when you felt drained; finding this patience took many forms, including hiding in the kitchen and bathroom and also eating lots of cake!
- have patience when it was feared that all patience had run out, even though it was found after an hour, hiding in the kitchen, eating cake!
- enjoy long walks in the hot, sunny, summer weather
- spend time with your children at a slower pace
- rediscover your local area
- find out what survival skills are – you have survived 14 weeks of home-schooling during lockdown – you deserve a medal!
- Rediscover muscle groups that had long been forgotten after an hour of Joe Wicks PE!

Grade: Outstanding