



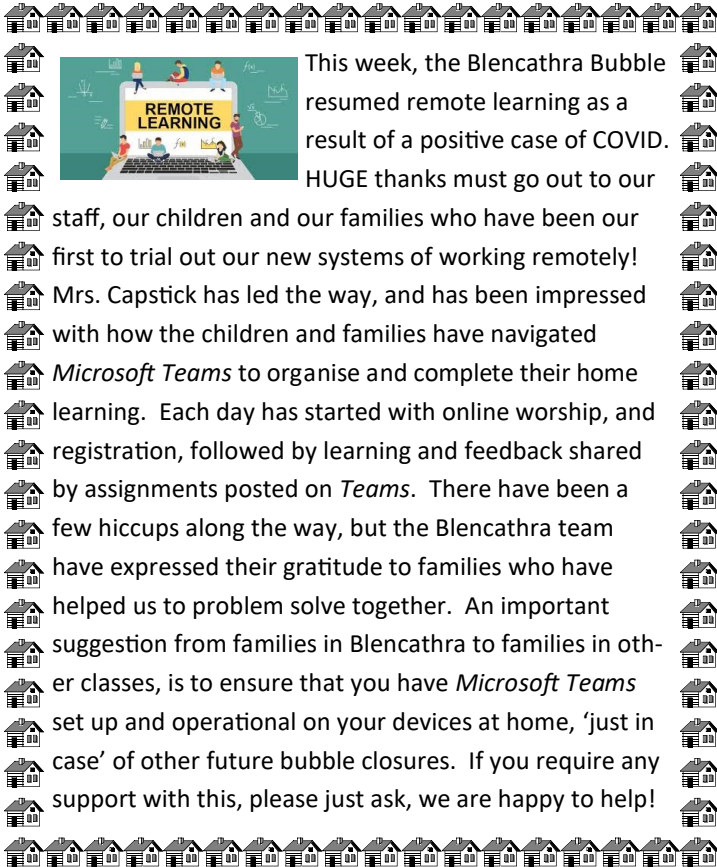
## Shap CE Endowed Primary School

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This week, the Blencathra Bubble resumed remote learning as a result of a positive case of COVID. HUGE thanks must go out to our

staff, our children and our families who have been our first to trial out our new systems of working remotely! Mrs. Capstick has led the way, and has been impressed with how the children and families have navigated *Microsoft Teams* to organise and complete their home learning. Each day has started with online worship, and registration, followed by learning and feedback shared by assignments posted on *Teams*. There have been a few hiccups along the way, but the Blencathra team have expressed their gratitude to families who have helped us to problem solve together. An important suggestion from families in Blencathra to families in other classes, is to ensure that you have *Microsoft Teams* set up and operational on your devices at home, 'just in case' of other future bubble closures. If you require any support with this, please just ask, we are happy to help!



Rev. Fran and Tim for a wonderful recital of *The Lord's my Shepherd* during Wednesday's Worship time.

Harry Horrocks for super 'news' writing! Jessica for amazing neat cutting skills.

Blencathra children AND their parents for excellent attitudes towards, and engagement with homelearning!

Josh for being helpful and working hard!

Darrenlee for always trying hard in maths!

The Blencathra staff team for their dedication and excellence in their remote teaching ability

Matthew Brady for fantastic 2D shape knowledge in maths this week.

Edward Bindloss for enthusiastically leading our drama groupwork with puppets!

Terence Burke for consistently focussed work in Outward Bounds sessions



One of the silver linings of the restrictions placed upon us by the COVID pandemic, is that our school Worship time has

remained strong, and has become an increasingly popular feature of our school day. We have Worship via Zoom every morning from 9.10—9.30, with classes joining in and viewing via their interactive whiteboards! We are blessed with a very supportive Clergy and Christian community, so we have Worship led by Rev. Alun, Rev. Fran and Rev. Dave, and also by Pastor Graham and Yari from *Church in the Barn*, Ruth Evans from *NISCU* and also pre-recorded Worship from our *Open the Book* team. Our themes for this half term are:

- ◆ Getting On and Falling Out
- ◆ The Christian Value of Trust
- ◆ Advent
- ◆ Christingle
- ◆ Christmas



We are working together with the clergy and parishioners of St. Michael's to make plans to celebrate Advent, including the *Angels of Hope* initiative below



## Angels of Hope

Help us to spread some intergenerational joy between our children and members of St. Michael's Church

As we begin the season of Advent leading up to Christmas we invite you to decorate an angel and display it in your window

or outside your home throughout December  
Let our angels be symbols of  
LIGHT AND HOPE  
to all who see them  
during these difficult times.





Dates in blue denote new dates added to the calendar!



Dates for  
the Diary:

01—11 December	Collection of children's Selection Boxes for <i>Upper Eden Foodbank</i> in lieu of Christmas cards
Advent	Angels of Hope initiative—decorate your homes with an angel as a sign of light and hope!
14 December	Classes to share a Christmas performance with you —More info. to follow
15 December	<i>Covidella and The Masked Ball</i> —streamed Pantomime treat from FoSS —More info. to follow
16 December	Christmas Film Afternoon —More info. to follow
17 December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch —More info. to follow
18 December	Christmas Parties—More info. to follow
18 December	Shap School Raffle Grand Prize Draw (raising funds for our School Grounds Project) Information coming out in book bags today!
05-08 January	First Aid Classes for all children
22 February	Wheelchair basketball
04 March	World Book Day
24 May DATE CHANGE	Young Voices 2021 @ Manchester Arena
28—30 June	Helvellyn Residential to Kingswood—more information to follow

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding the content of this newsletter!

For in-depth information about every aspect of our school, please see our website:

<https://www.shap.cumbria.sch.uk/>

For day-to-day news, reminders and celebrations, please see our School Facebook Page: Shap CE School



For information about fundraising and social events, please see Friends of Shap School – FoSS Facebook Page



Many thanks!

*Katie Chappell*

Acting Headteacher



***Shap CE School: A Safe Branch from which to Soar***

With children and the church at the heart of the school, we are  
'living in harmony' (Romans 12:16) within our community; nurturing one another  
in order to create an environment from which all can soar

