

CAMBRIDGE CHILDREN'S LOCKDOWN DIARIES

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Week one we were so very excited, no school and home all day...what could we do? Paul said 'I had so many great suggestions for the grownups that included staying in pyjamas and doing what we wanted for the whole day!'. Penny said 'some of us were sad because we love school and we love learning'. Abigail said 'Some of us thought this would be a great time to get a pet and tried to persuade the grown ups by researching Guinea pigs. Planning how to look after them and working out what to buy'.





Othello thought 'this was ruined for some of us by teachers sending us work to do at home', Felix said 'not being able to leave the house and the shops running out of flour...people went toilet roll crazy and the streets of Cambridge were empty'. 'The biggest catastrophe was shops running out of ketchup! Said Paul. Chloe, Derek and several others became experts in baking cakes, cookies and pizza when they could buy the ingredients.

Sam said 'queuing up to go into shops was weird! Sometimes I would have to stand outside and sometimes I would go in there weren't any crisps or biscuits left. We couldn't even get the shopping delivered to us!'.





The first few weeks were strange, lot's of us were doing PE with Joe, helping round the house (Amelie said 'mum kept telling me to clean my room!', and Martina said 'some of us were really missing our friends'. Abigail missed her gymnastics and lots of children missed fencing, football and all the fun things we get to do after school.

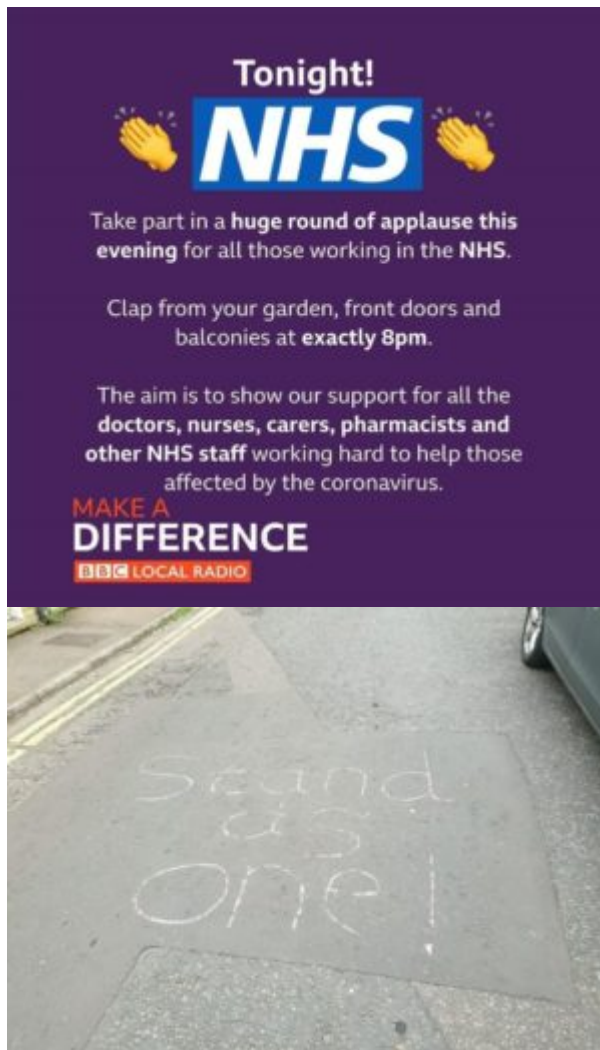
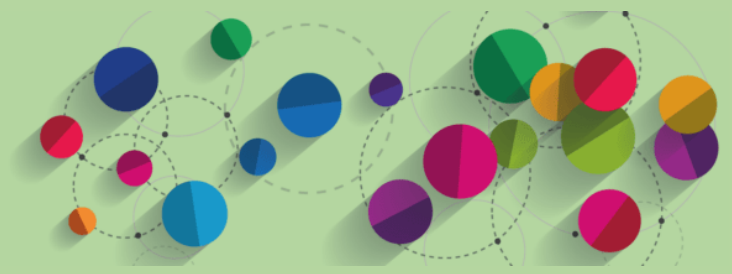


Zoe said 'we drew rainbows and put them up in our windows, we clapped for the NHS and sang 'happy birthday' to the people living on our street. Lots of people put teddy bears in their windows and this meant when we went for our daily walk we had fun spotting them!'.



Leslei explained the 'rainbows were to cheer people up when we were only allowed out for an hour once a day'. We wrote messages on the pavement and roads and some of us decorated wheelie bins or made posters to say thank you to the bin, post and other people still working.

Chloe said 'the teddy bear hunt was fun, different people put things in their window some even had lego'. On May the 4th some windows changed and had Star Wars themed toys and pictures, Rupesh said 'some of the grown ups got a bit carried away with Star Wars!'. Zoe said 'this bear hunt idea was copied all over the world, as well as the clapping and rainbows'.



VE Day

On VE day people decorated their houses and windows with toys and flags. A lot of people made bunting which made the streets look pretty. On VE day people came out and had socially distanced drinks and tea parties in their gardens.



Being at home the things the children love the most is:

- watching you tube
- spending more time with mum
- playing lego
- going to bed later than normal and waking up later which is amazing



- learning to bake things
- chatting to my parents and playing on my phone
- learnt and practised tic tok dances which I can show my friends
- when we meet online
- reading all day long