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# NEWSLETTER 294 – THE LOCKDOWN LETTERS

FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC - APRIL 2020

**For the Archives: Day 19 to Day 26**

Dear Parents and Friends,

DAILY UPDATE – DAY 20 – SATURDAY 11th APRIL

As promised - The Chocolate Song!

<https://youtu.be/ld4SIUqvP8U>

Activity sheet is attached.

Oliver P and Joseph W have birthdays this week. Why not wish them 'Happy Birthday' using the shared blogs. Here's a 24 second 'How to ... ' video.

[https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/person/head\\_northnibley\\_gloucs\\_sch\\_uk/EZoFDC0ypn5Jr30nULWMH0IBjd5\\_fbLD6Au1KpAkXEOEAQ?e=EsUSMG](https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/person/head_northnibley_gloucs_sch_uk/EZoFDC0ypn5Jr30nULWMH0IBjd5_fbLD6Au1KpAkXEOEAQ?e=EsUSMG)

PHOTO CHALLENGE – a creature in your garden

<http://northnibley.weebly.com/photo-challenge.html>

WEEKLY QUIZ – Animals -

<https://forms.gle/5L59qj6UDCyhZo9YA>

## REMINDERS

Year 6 – Record the assembly 'Welcome'. The 'script' is in your 'CLASS STORY'

Birthday Song – any musicians on any instrument, video or audio please, via Virtual Mash.

Uploading problems? Try  
[head@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:head@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk) or  
[class4@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:class4@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk)

Take care, Paul

DAILY UPDATE – DAY 21 – SUNDAY 12th APRIL

HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!

## SONG

Three Days That Changed The World -

<https://youtu.be/LMg8YRHCSa>

REMINDERS – See yesterday's updates.

## VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

If you want to find out more about Easter Sunday, this is a good site with a bible story, crafts, ideas and a prayer. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=->

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Stay safe, stay well. Paul

DAILY UPDATE – DAY 23 – TUESDAY 14th APRIL

MRS DIXON'S PE

10 more videos are available on the school's website. This time, batting skills.

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/pe-with-mrs-dixon4/>

BAFFLERS

Last week's quiz saw only 2 entrants with full marks – Mrs Hunter and Ollie!

This week's quiz is all about Easter!

<https://forms.gle/PYTdQnDE5z2j55iG7>

SONG

Still feeling Eastery? Hop, Hop, Hop!

Activity sheet attached.

<https://youtu.be/MKJICbxmh90>

HELP NEEDED

Year 6 – you are running out of time to record the 'Assembly Welcome' – Details in your Class Dojo Class Story.

ASSEMBLY

The story continues.

[https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/head\\_northnibley\\_gloucs\\_sch\\_uk/EZcDliu7cjlHoaw6cLQxVi0BrkdUdvPFay09VKQMV1QeQ?e=eDv2Tm](https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/head_northnibley_gloucs_sch_uk/EZcDliu7cjlHoaw6cLQxVi0BrkdUdvPFay09VKQMV1QeQ?e=eDv2Tm)

There's another song – I Have A Song To Sing. It's a song of unity and coming together, building momentum along the way.

<https://youtu.be/QpdQrp2is4A>

And if you want to, you can learn how to use sign language to sign as you sing!

<https://youtu.be/SB8MoU1zkwg>

Activity sheet attached.

Please remember to supervise YouTube use.

TWO BIRTHDAYS to celebrate this week. Check the Purple Mash blogs to leave messages of support.

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/north-gl11>

Take care,

Paul

DAILY UPDATE – DAY 24 – WEDNESDAY 15th APRIL

ASSEMBLY

The Spider' Tale concludes. Scroll back for Part 1 if you missed it, and find out what I'm doing in my garage!

[https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/head\\_northnibley\\_gloucs\\_sch\\_uk/EQ82LXRFzqVBjdSsMrexXxgByV\\_zHw2SH1Q91DSgRnGqtQ?e=MMze5u](https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/head_northnibley_gloucs_sch_uk/EQ82LXRFzqVBjdSsMrexXxgByV_zHw2SH1Q91DSgRnGqtQ?e=MMze5u)

## SONG

There's another song – Keeper Of My Heart. A sobering but upbeat and affirmative song that addresses current issues of the harmful things that children may be inappropriately exposed to – “I'm making sure I'm taking care of me.” Use the activity sheet to help unpack and explore the lyrical content of this song with your children.

<https://youtu.be/9PjH5-7GuD4>

Activity Sheet attached.

Please remember to supervise YouTube use.

Take care, Paul

## DAILY UPDATE – DAY 25 – THURSDAY 16th APRIL

### ASSEMBLY

Sorry – no story today as I'm out of time. It's been a busy day, with matters such as the budget, staffing, policy revision and SEPTEMBER'S RECEPTION ADMISSIONS to keep me busy.

Come back tomorrow for Friday's assembly, when we have 2 pupil birthdays to celebrate. Their birthday blogs could do with a boost, so visit

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/north-gl11>

to leave messages of support.

## SONG

Will you be joining in the 'clap' for key workers at 8:00? Today's song is called Florence Nightingale, and it celebrates the lady widely recognised as the founder of modern nursing. 'The Lady with the Lamp' is praised in this rousing, upbeat song! An activity sheet is attached.

<https://youtu.be/dNVV-vQz37c>

(And straight after I'll be competing in the now famous YouTube Virtual Pub Quiz, against members of my wider family distributed across the UK!)

### PHOTO CHALLENGE

Don't forget the photo challenge – detailed here -

<http://northnibley.weebly.com/photo-challenge.html>

Starting today, the book I'm currently reading. Adults can join in too!

(And it's not too late to add a photo to an existing gallery.

As ever, take care,

Paul

## DAILY UPDATE – DAY 26 – FRIDAY 17th APRIL

### TERM 5 STARTS ON MONDAY.

Remote teaching / Distance learning continues and the teachers have some great ideas for carrying us all forward. Watch out for an important email on Monday.

### MRS DIXON...

Also for Monday, Mrs Dixon has a rather special challenge for us which could be a lot of fun too. Watch this space!

## ASSEMBLY

[https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/person/head\\_northnibley\\_gloucs\\_sch\\_uk/ETJ6pZku\\_UZOrGPR-A70cwUBwQgyDWMrsv17fP3tCi-m-Q?e=t4TKDC](https://northnibley-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/person/head_northnibley_gloucs_sch_uk/ETJ6pZku_UZOrGPR-A70cwUBwQgyDWMrsv17fP3tCi-m-Q?e=t4TKDC)

It has taken about 4 hours today to stitch this together. Enjoy the highlights of the week and a new song which is quickly becoming one of my favourites. Do let me know which songs you have enjoyed as I'll be buying some of these for school, so we can enjoy singing them together. The Activity Sheet for today's song is attached.

## BIRTHDAYS

Alice has a birthday next week, so we'll be celebrating that next Friday. Non-birthday children, please don't leave more than 1 greeting per birthday child – it causes me extra work to edit them!

## OVER THE WEEKEND...

The photo challenges can be found here.

<http://northnibley.weebly.com/photo-challenge.html>

Nearby, you can see the photos submitted so far.

## BOOK REVIEWS

Another clutch of reviews have been published. Why not take a look at what other children are reading and recommending? <http://northnibley.weebly.com/>

Leave a comment or post your own review. Remember not to give too much away!