

St Uny C of E Academy

Head of School: Mr R Hoskins

Hello Kynance

I'm so excited to be writing to all of you today! I hope you're all well and keeping safe. I miss seeing all my friends at St Uny, but I especially miss seeing all of you!

In this letter I thought I would share with you some of the things I've been getting up to during my time at home with my two children.

We've been playing games including Uno and Scrabble, we've been making sure we get out of the house each day for some fresh air and exercise. I've baked cakes and made pasties (crimping the crust of the pasties was the trickiest part for me). They tasted delicious!

As most of you know I have a few pets, they're really enjoying having us at home at the moment. They keep us busy and as we have more time, they get to do a lot more of the things they like doing. For Blu this means longer walks, Millie, Zelda and Angel are getting lots more cuddles and having fun playing in boxes while Betty and Boo get to enjoy more warm relaxing baths.



Zelda and Millie

Angel

Boo and Betty



Something else I've been doing is gardening. I'm lucky enough to have a garden and even though it's small I decided to make it a nature garden because I wanted to encourage wildlife to come and visit. I already had a tiny pond which now has newts living in it and I made a bug hotel by stacking some old fire bricks, but so far, I've just got lots of woodlouse living there!

I've got a bird bath and bird table which I put special seed on for them to eat. I've planted some flowers to encourage bees and butterflies into the garden and now I just need to be patient and wait for the rest of the plants to grow! These are photos of the things I've done in my garden to make it more wildlife friendly.















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Perhaps you could have a go at making a bug hotel. You could use an old flowerpot, a tube, any open-ended cylinder, or an open wooden box. You can pack it with small pieces of bamboo, pinecones, sticks and leaves.

What about making a toad or frog home, there are some good ideas on the RSPB website about materials to use and how to make homes for all sorts of wildlife. You could make a bird feeder and watch the birds come and get their lunch from you.

You might be able to do some planting. Perhaps a tomato plant or a beanstalk. You could plant some flowers to encourage butterflies and bees to your garden like I have done. How about planting a sunflower and watching it grow, you could measure how tall it gets? I wonder if it would grow as tall as you or perhaps even taller!

You could even make a little wildlife pond, or a bog garden out of an old washing up bowl or an old pan. I'll be excited to hear if you tried any of these ideas to encourage wildlife to your garden and if you did, what wildlife you saw.



It's been lovely to write to you and tell you what I've been doing during these unusual times, I know it must seem like a very long time since we've been in school and seen our friends but this won't last forever. I am looking forward to seeing you all when we do eventually get back to school. Until then, stay safe and listen to your grown-ups, laugh, play, have fun doing the things that make you happy and make memories with your families. Don't forget to take photos of some of the things you've been doing. Perhaps you could make a scrapbook with them!

Bye for now

Miss Jones

