## **Primary Years Encouragement – 27.05.2020**

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

#### Hello CYM

How are you all doing? Did you enjoy some time together over the bank holiday weekend? The weather certainly was beautiful, wasn't it?

I had a lovely weekend and was able to enjoy a wonderful walk from a book we have had for ages for walks around West Sussex. It was stunning and took us to parts of Washington, Sullington and the South Downs that we have never seen before. Whilst on my walk I started to sing an old tune I grew up with back in the 80's called "Sowing The Seeds Of Love" by Tears For Fears. Some of your parents may remember it!

As I was singing this tune, I was thinking of all the seeds of love that I have seen and heard during our time in lockdown. Because life is going at a slightly slower pace, I have realised how many blessings we have around us every day. From the beautiful bird song in the morning, the joy of gardening, bees and butterflies flying around, a sense of kindness from neighbours and passersby, a quietness because of the limited amount of aeroplanes and cars around, encouraging cards and sweets delivered by the postmen, surprise arrival of some chocolate and beetroot cake, zoom calls with friends and family and quality time with my family at home.

What seeds of love will you see or hear this week?

## **Activity**

#### **Sowing Seeds**

In all our supermarkets at the moment are very cheap packets of seeds from flowers to vegetables. Why not treat yourself and buy a packet and get

sowing. This is what I am having a go at this year for the first time ever........

Tomatoes, carrots, beetroot and salad leaves...... Watch this space!



Springwatch started again this week with the presenters filming from their own homes, how quickly some people have had to adapt to do their jobs!

This year they are so excited, because they are seeing the whole season of Spring appear in the areas where they live, instead of filming somewhere else in the country and their excitement is re-energising the public to see the season of Spring unfold in their towns too.

Here are a variety of activities that you could do from your homes or when you are out walking.

Enjoy these precious moments ©

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## The David Banks-Broome Challenge

Challenge No. 9

## Story

## The Beginning (Old Testament – Genesis 1)

In the beginning, the world was empty. Darkness was everywhere. But God had a plan. God separated the light from the darkness. "Let there be light!" he said. And the light turned on. He called the light "day". And he called the darkness "night". This was the end of the very first day.

Then God said, "I will divide the waters." He separated the waters in the clouds above from the waters in the ocean below. He called the space between them "sky". This was the end of the second day.

Next, God rolled back the waters and some dry ground appeared. He made plants of many shapes and colours. He made mountains, hills and valleys. This was the end of the third day.

God put a shining sun in the sky for the daytime. He put a glowing moon and twinkling stars in the sky for the night-time. This was the end of the fourth day.

On the fifth day, God made swishy fish and squiggly creatures to live in the ocean. Then God made birds to fly across the sky.

On the sixth day, God made animals to creep, crawl, hop and gallop. Then from the dust, God made the most wonderful creature of all – a person. God named him Adam.

On the seventh day, God rested.

## **Encouragement**

God created this beautiful earth around us to enjoy. But best of all he created you and me. He has been blessing his children for generations. God is a god of love. He sows seeds of his love everywhere, his creation, his animals and best of all his people. He is a God of compassion, kindness, patience, joy, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness and self-control. As we are all created in God's image, I have been seeing and hearing these qualities in all of this, even more so during this time of lockdown. What seeds of love could we show one another in the days, weeks and months that lie ahead of us.

#### Prayer

The Lord bless you and keep you Make His face shine upon you And be gracious to you The Lord turn His face toward you And give you peace.

May His favour be upon you And your family and your children

May His presence go before you And behind you, and beside you All around you, and within you He is with you.

In the morning, in the evening In your coming, and your going In your weeping, and rejoicing He is for you

In Jesus name

Amen

**Worship Song** 

The Blessing (Cody Carnes & Kari Jobe)

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If you need any craft supplies, food and toiletries, or just a phone chat over coffee, please call me on 07969959442.

**Every blessing** 

Denise

## David Banks-Broome Challenge No. 9

# **Number Chains**

Do the sums without using a calculator or writing down your answer, until you get to the bottom.

1. Start with 6	2. Start with 5	3. Start with
2		
+6	+5	x2
-4	-2	+4
+3	x2	+2
x2	-2	+4
-5	+5	-2
=	=	=
4. Start with 8	5. Start with 5	6. Start with
	5. Start with 5	6. Start with +4
3		
3 +4	-2	+4
3 +4 -6	-2 +5	+4 -2
3 +4 -6 +4	-2 +5 -2	+4 -2 +4

## **Answers**

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2 19

3 12

4 8

5 8

6 12