Dear Year 2,

How are you all? I hope that you are doing well and have had a great week. I know the weather has been a bit miserable over the past few days, but I hope you were still surrounded by lots of smiles and plenty of laughter.



This week in school we have been learning about Ireland. Mrs Hounsell has had lots of fun talking about her favourite place and playing lots of Irish music. This got me thinking about my favourite place. If you had asked me about this back in March, I would definitely have said Italy – you know how much I love spending my holidays there. However, now I think my answer would be different. Now I think I would say my favourite place is wherever I can be with my favourite people. I have missed being with my boys, my friends and ...with you. I know in the future I will definitely appreciate the ordinary things in life far more. Sharing a family meal, popping to a friend's house for a cup of tea and hearing you all say "Good morning Mrs Riley!" when we take the register, are more important than trips to Italy or anything I will ever buy in a shop. I can't wait see you all in school again and, even though, you will be in Year 3, I will still pop in to see you and hope you will come and tell me about all the things you are up to. You are all very special children and I will always be interested in **YOU** and what you do.

I can't believe that it's now only one week until we break up for the summer. If we were together in school, our learning would be linked to preparations for your move into KS2.



However, we can't be together so I have included lots of transition activities in our Home Learning pack. The first **three** activities in the pack are the only ones that you **must** complete, as these are about reflecting on both lockdown and our vision for the future as well as what you have enjoyed most in Year 2. After that you can choose 2 or 3 activities to do over the course of the week. I really **v** seeing what you're doing so please send lots of photos to me at info@st-jo-st.dudley.sch.uk This week we will be celebrating some more Year 2 Birthdays. Max and Zac will be 7 on Saturday (11<sup>th</sup> July), Holly's birthday is on Sunday (12<sup>th</sup> July) and Georgia's special day is on Tuesday (14<sup>th</sup> July). Mrs Hounsell and I hope that you all have fabulous days.

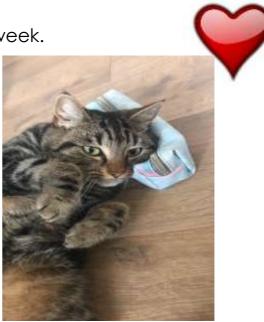
Keep working hard Year 2 and have a brilliant week.

I can't wait to hear from you all again soon.

With love,

Mrs Riley

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Peanut did not want Niamh to do any school work this week!