Dear Year 2,

How are you all? I hope you are all well and have had a really good week.

Mrs Hounsell and I are still missing you **SO** very much; but all the wonderful photos of your incredible work and the pictures of your V.E. Day celebrations have really cheered us up. We love seeing what you are up to and both agree that your work is getting better and better each week. What an amazingly talented class you are! The message on our classroom door is to 'Let you True Colours Shine' and you are certainly doing that! Well done, Year 2!



When I look at the work you send in, I am reminded that each and everyone of us has something special to offer. You are all so strong and capable and I know that as you grow up, you will make this world an incredible place. I can't wait to see the people you will become. You will always hold a special place in my heart. I will always be your teacher and you will always be my children; I will always support you and will always be interested in what you do.

One thing I've noticed from the photos you've sent in recently is how many delicious cakes, scones and other tasty treats you have been baking. I think many of you would make brilliant contestants on 'The Great British Bake Off' – although I don't think I would like to be one of the judges, as your creations all look so delicious and it would be impossible to choose between them. We will definitely have to plan more opportunities for cooking once we are back in school.

The past week has been a very busy one for me. Last Friday, I enjoyed a lovely 1940's themed picnic in the garden for V.E. Day. There was lots of cake -and endless cups of tea -and I also managed to have a family catch up with my boys - who cannot be at home at the moment- via Zoom. It was lovely to be together for a little while, even if it was just over the Internet.



Now that some of our lockdown rules have been changed, I have tried to go out on a few more walks as well as doing my yoga classes. I'm getting much better, but Niamh tells me I still can't do a plank pose properly! However, I'm determined to learn, so I'll keep on practising. Fortunately the cats have stopped joining in with my exercises now, and spend most of their time chasing each other around the house and then falling asleep in strange places- like the laundry basket or in my wardrobe! Peanut still likes to snooze on the keyboard of my computer, which is not very helpful when I'm trying to work.

I hope you enjoyed our recent Home Learning activities. Next week we will be thinking about monsters and imaginary friends! Look out for another photo – or two – of the cats in the Home Learning files.

Have a great week and please take care and stay safe.

With love,

Mrs Riley

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Whiskers loves to lie in the sun!

P.S. Please keep sending photos of all that you are ding at home to <u>info@st-jo-st.dudley.sch.uk</u>