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Dear founding families,

As I write this, sitting at my desk at home, with two staff members in school supporting the children of critical keyworkers and all of our students learning remotely, I must start by expressing my appreciation and pride in our community. A crisis like this brings out the best and, inevitably, the worst in people but our school community has come together, our culture, built around a clear ethos of enjoy, respect, achieve is evident in the work they are sharing with us and in the appreciative emails we have had from our families. Closing our doors on Friday 20th March was a very difficult and terribly sad moment for us all and we can't wait to reopen them and fill the building with the sound of learning and laughter once more.

On the last day of school last term we celebrated the successes of our students across the spring term. Heads of Faculty awarded prizes in the usual three categories, recognising students who had shone that term for notably high achievement in the 'being the best' category, for consistently excellent work and conduct in the 'being brilliant' category and for continued improvement in a key area in the 'being better' category. The winners are announced below. Trophies are ordered and winging their way to us (albeit slowly) and we will post them on when they arrive.

STEM Faculty (Science, Computing, Maths)

- Being the Best: Louie Purchase
- Being Better: Ethan Bell
- Being Brilliant: Connie Wiffen

Communications Faculty (English, History, Geography, PSRE)

- Being the Best: Emily Sturt
- Being Better: Thomas Wood
- Being Brilliant: Archie Minter

Arts and Culture Faculty (Languages, Art, Drama, Music, PE)

- Being the Best: Alex Coakley
- Being Better: Oliver Topper
- Being Brilliant: Leila Haddadin

Well done to all of these winners and to those students who were nominated. The prizes will be given again at the end of the summer term, so there's still time to get a trophy this year!

The second ever student to win the termly 'Headteacher's Award' was Mason Manning, nominated across several of the categories above, Mason is a hard working student whose positive approach is recognised and appreciated by staff and students alike. Well done, Mason, a great term, of which you should be very proud.

Personally, I have found the most useful tool in dealing with feelings of worry at this time is looking forward, thinking about and planning for the time when 'normal' life resumes. We have lots in the pipeline for September onwards and are spending some valuable time reflecting on the year 7 curriculum as well as planning for year 8.

Please do stay safe, look after each other and get in touch with us if there's anything we can do to help your family at this time.

With best wishes,

Ms Ayling



Arts and Culture

by Ms Davies



Our Bohunt Horsham students continue to rise to these challenging times by showcasing their incredible talent and creativity. The work submitted through our online learning platforms has been a source of pride and wonderment, from seeing such positivity and online collaboration to the exceptional quality of work.



In order to share more of our student's work, the Arts and Culture faculty has created a new Instagram page. Please follow us on Instagram at BohuntHorshamAAC to see some of the fantastic work of our students across the faculty.

At the beginning of the remote learning process, our Drama students completed a 'Darkwood Manor' project. For this project they were required to create a soundscape for the creepy setting and story of Darkwood Manor, as well as completing

designs for costume and set. **Rufus Mansfield** really shone in this project creating an animated trailer complete with set, scenes and music! This was such a fantastic piece of work we had to share with pupils and we have now uploaded this to our Instagram page. I loved watching the group script reading recordings that they did on their devices at home. Despite social distances and isolation, the Arts really can bring people together and this was so lovely to see.

In Music, our students have experimented with new digital softwares in the creation of ringtones and dance music. To do this by themselves and without teacher supervision required resilience and creativity and for that all students should be congratulated. A special shoutout to **Subhan Raouf Samadi** for composing a brilliant piece of work. Our new art projects look into a variety of artistic skills, the first being lettering styles and typography. The positive quotes our pupils chose to showcase their work absolutely made my week, and again these have been shared on our Instagram page.

Mr Brooks has also been inundated with videos from students showing new games and skills - who knew you could create a sports game out of books?! It is so important that our students remain active both for their physical and mental wellbeing, therefore please watch out for Mr Brooks' updates.



As you can imagine, additional pressures and difficulties have been placed upon our peripatetic teachers due to these uncertain times. They have risen to the challenge and are providing online lessons for pupils which are being so well received. A huge thank you and appreciation to West Sussex Music, our LAMDA teacher Sophie Pocknell and our guitar teacher Steve Knowles for their hard work and resilience. The online provision they are offering our students is exceptional. Should parents wish to contact these teachers to enquire about online lessons please do so below:

Steve Knowles (guitar, bass, ukulele) - stephenknowles1111@btinternet.com
 Sophie Pocknell (LAMDA, drama) - sophie.pocknell@gmail.com

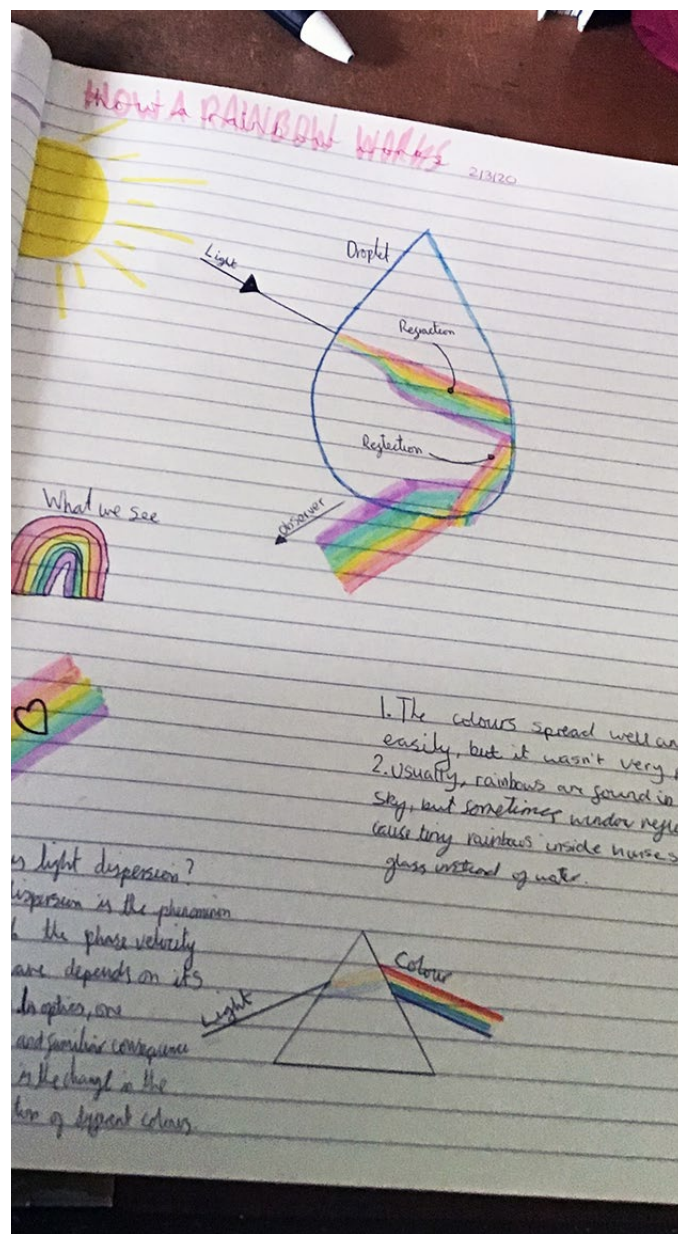
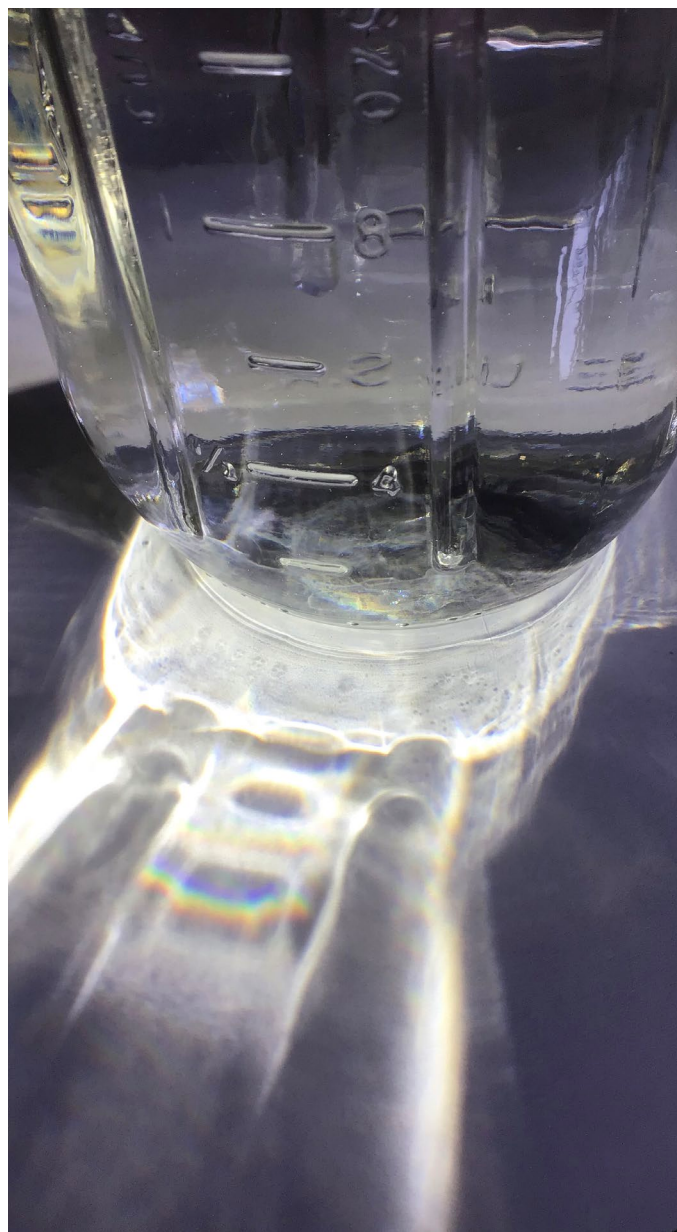
The Arts and Culture faculty hopes everyone is keeping well. We look forward to hearing from more of our students and reporting their successes on our next ERA chronicle!

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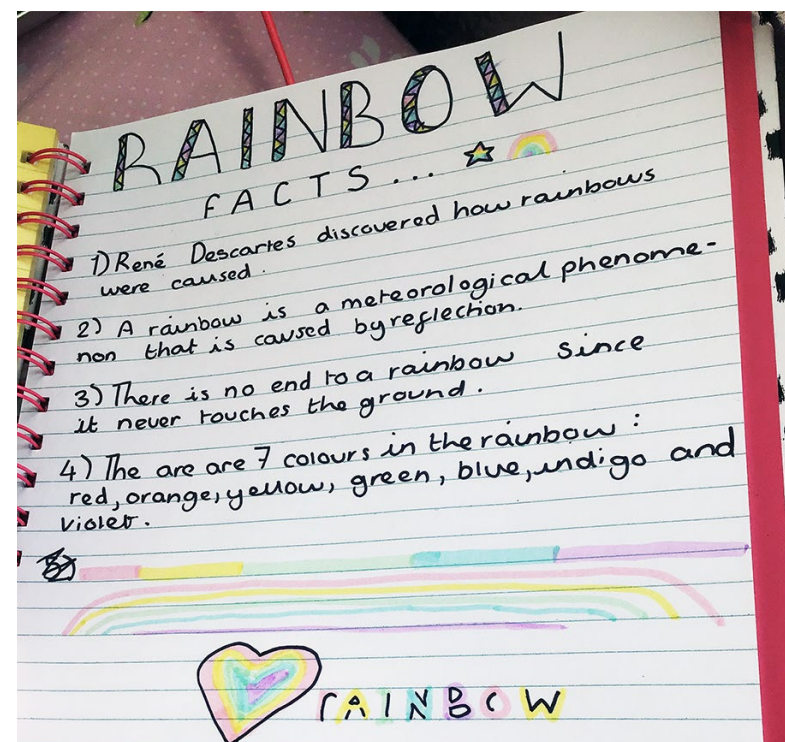
by Ms Jenkins



Our students have been producing some amazing work at home exploring the science behind rainbows.



underwater. Then ~~da~~ ta-da! A rainbow. This also happens because the light travels in waves. A wave is a oscillation or disturbance that travels through space. Other things also travel in waves, like sound, radio waves, microwaves and more!

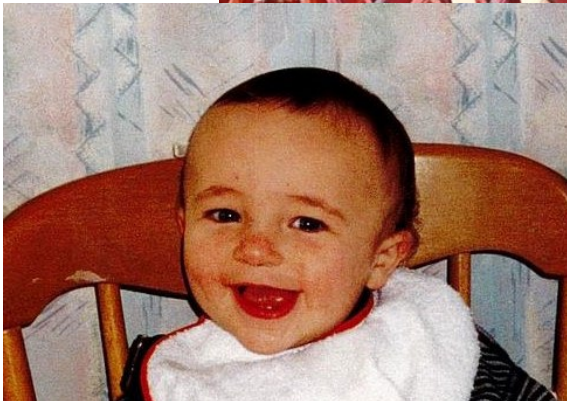
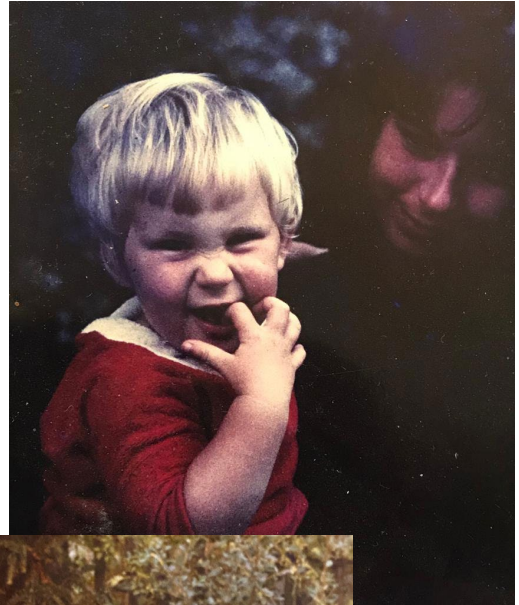




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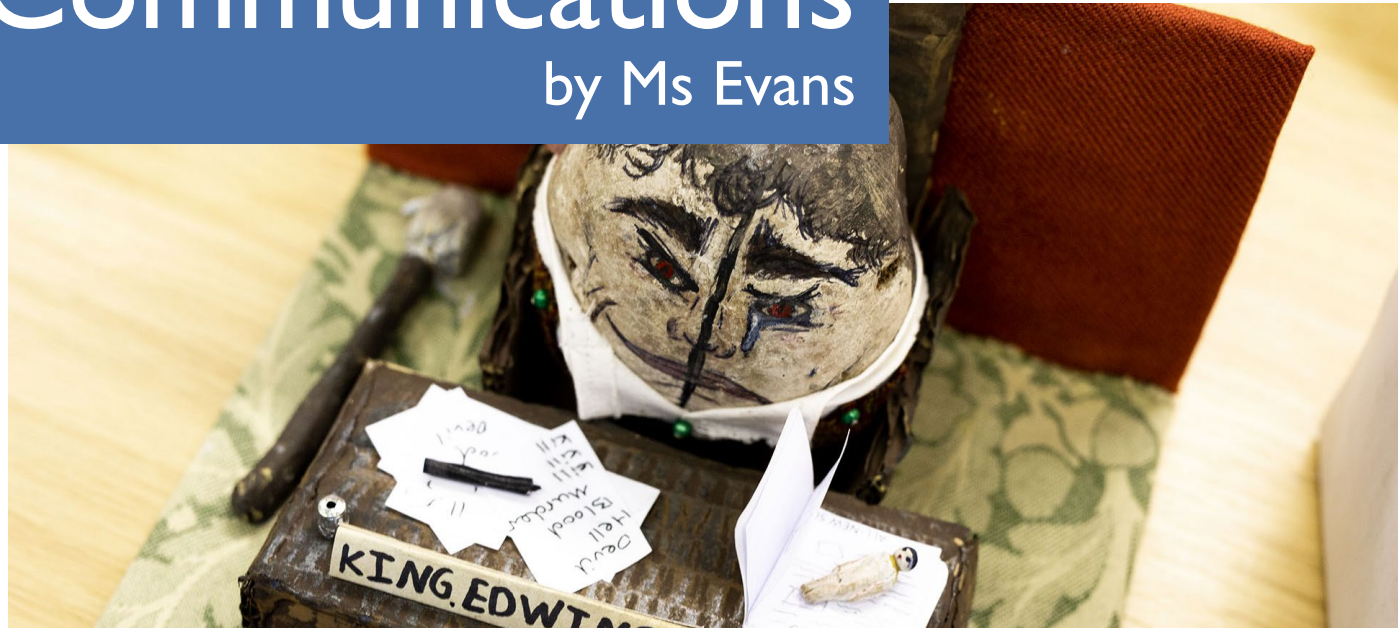
Look at those faces

Can you guess which rosey cheeks belong to which member of staff?



Communications

by Ms Evans

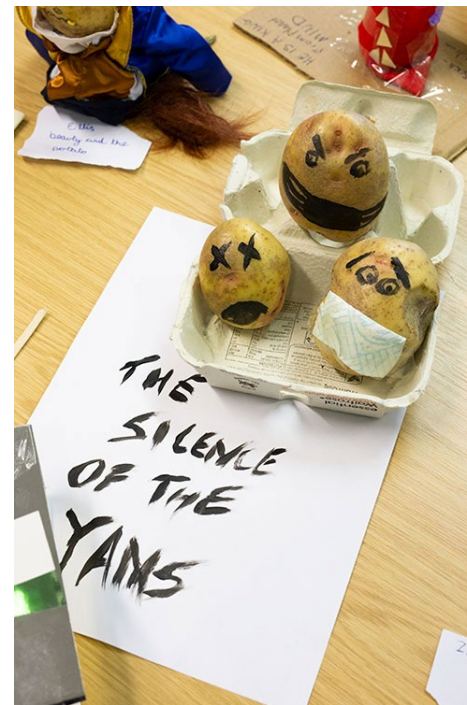


"O brave new world that has such creatures in it!" said Miranda in the Tempest when she sets eyes on Ferdinand and it certainly feels as if we have all experienced a Tempest this term. The "brave new world" of remote teaching is certainly showing the creative and ingenuity of students in the Communications Faculty. Students have been reading in cupboards, on trampolines and (my personal favourite) up lamp posts. It seems a lifetime ago that we were judging the Jacket Potato World Book Day competition, however the standard was very high although **Tilly** was a standout worthy winner. The fortnightly writing challenge has shown some superb writing; before our abrupt ending we had created stories from the perspective of the Anthony Gormely statues. These full sized human shaped statues are a sight to behold

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fUZA7yIRJk>

We had a fantastic range of articles for the Guardian competition with over 40 entries. Sadly we had to postpone our trip, but I am very much looking forward to re-arranging it in the future. I loved the range of topics students chose, from "The Magna Carta" to "The dangers of plastic" via "Warhammer, the new craze" and "The Power of Sri Lankan food". We certainly have some journalists of the future!

In History, our trip through the Kings and Queens of England continues with some high quality Obituaries created for Edward VI, the boy king. I am not sure I would have liked to have been King at nine. A Loom video gave me the opportunity to dress as King Henry VIII and I have been impressed by the notes and knowledge our students are showing through our online quizzing. Looking forward, we have some superb plans for a historical celebration of the 75th Anniversary of VE day. I know many students are eager to complete work around the World Wars and I hope they will enjoy our diversion into this fascinating area of history.



Mr Moorhouse

meet our new STEM & Art Technician

Can you introduce yourself?

Hello, I am Mr Moorhouse. After obtaining a Biology degree at Sussex University my first post involved research into human autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis. I later joined a US pharmaceutical company as a scientist in cell biology and biochemistry. When the company decided to pull out of the UK I was fortunate in being able to put my self-taught skills in computing into a new career path with Novartis in Horsham. As my career with Novartis developed I worked in Germany for two years and the USA for nearly 18 months. In the last few years before the Novartis site in Horsham was closed I worked as the head of UK IT for the Novartis Institute of Biomedical Research providing support for the respiratory diseases drug discovery group. After a chance encounter with a former Novartis scientist I applied for work as a science technician in education and was offered a position at Seaford College near Petworth where I worked for just under five years.

What do you like most about working in STEM?

It's such a fascinating and dynamic subject area, there always something new to learn. In school I am really interested in what the students are being taught and am often pleasantly surprised at how at times they are learning about things that were not even discovered when I was in school and university e.g. quantum mechanics.

What's your favourite science practical?

I would have to say the whoosh bottle demonstration which involves coating the inside of a 25 litre water container with highly flammable alcohol and then lighting the vapour at the neck to produce a really loud whoosh sound and fantastic flame. A real hit with students.

(Don't try this at home kids... and parents!)

Have you ever made anything blow up before?

Luckily not, but came close at Seaford College when I was asked by the head of chemistry to use a chemical

for an A-level practical that has the potential to explode if it has dried out. We along with hundreds of other schools had to get the army bomb squad in to safely dispose of it.

What is your favourite ice cream flavour?

Hmm, I think it has to be salted caramel.

What's your best cheesy science joke?

Why can you never trust atoms? They make up everything.

If you could meet any scientist past or present, who would it be and why?

Not easy, however I would choose Stephen Hawking because he was one of most influential scientists of the modern age who sometimes challenged peoples thinking and verified some of Einstein's theories. Such an inspiration considering how he coped with his disability with such humility and he had a wonderful sense of humour.

What is your favourite colour?

Blue, I am no longer sure exactly why though.

What is your favourite chemical element?

Nitrogen because it makes up 78% of the air and in liquid form it's very cold i.e. -196°C. There are some nice demonstrations that can be done with it but modern health & safety means that it's not so easy to use in schools.

What country would you like to most visit right now?

New Zealand due to the amazing landscapes.

What are you looking forward to the most whilst working at Bohunt?

It's a really exciting time to be at the school and I am really looking forward to helping deliver practical work that continually stimulates the students interest in science as the school develops and grows.



Student highlights

Sign Language Club

ft. Charlie Sparkes 7EUS



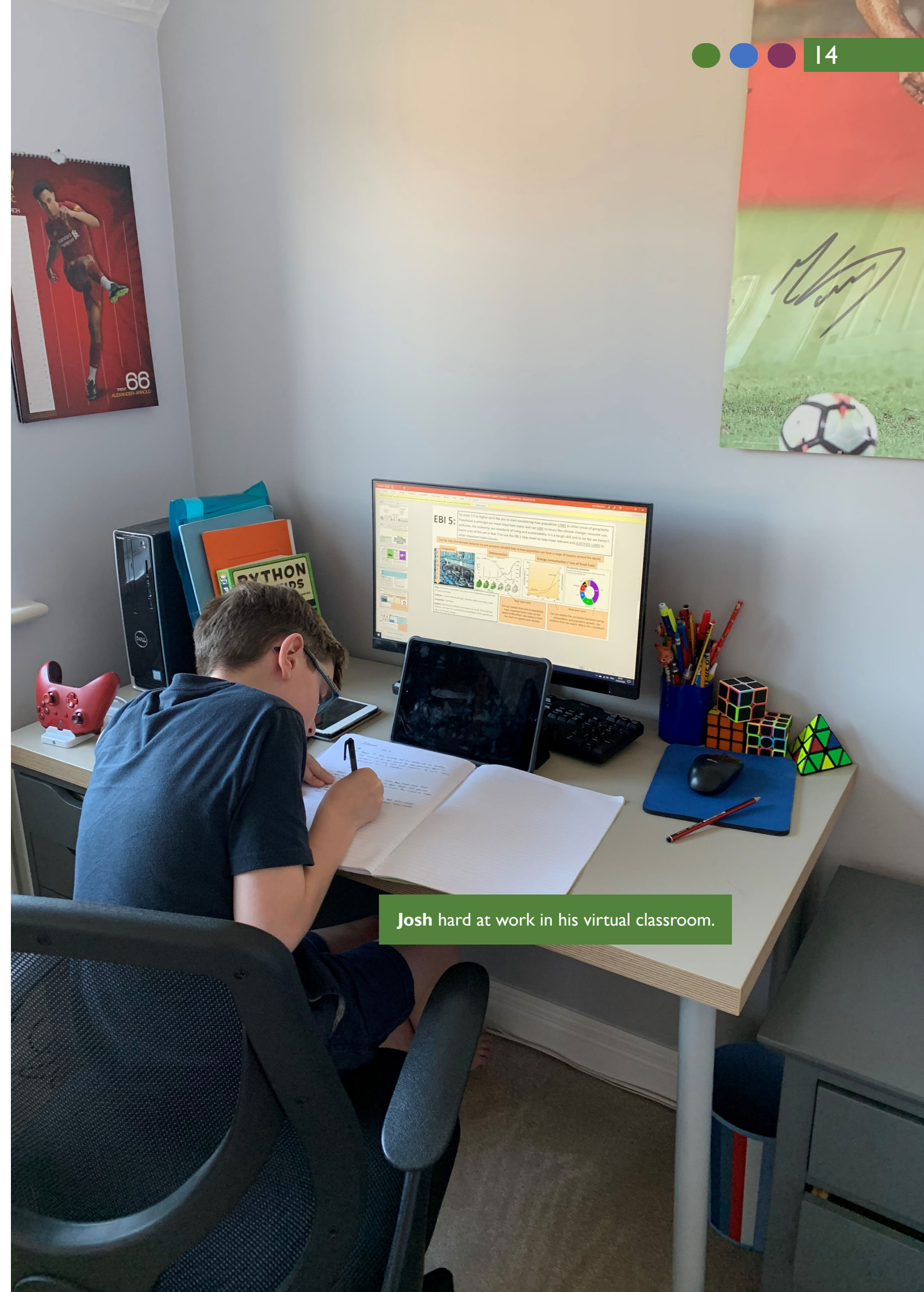
Potato



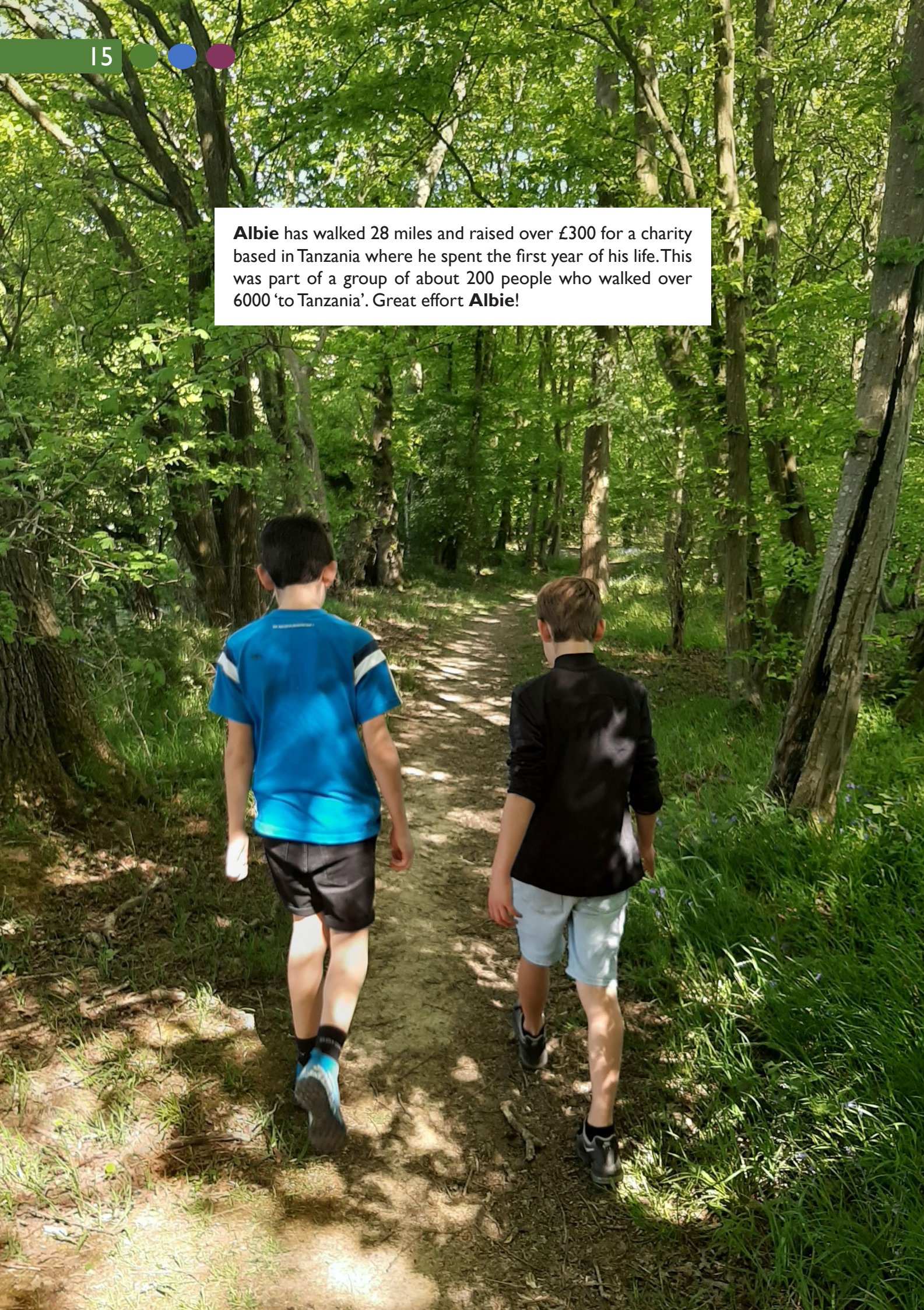
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Do you have any news from home that you'd like to share in the next Chronicle? Get in touch here:
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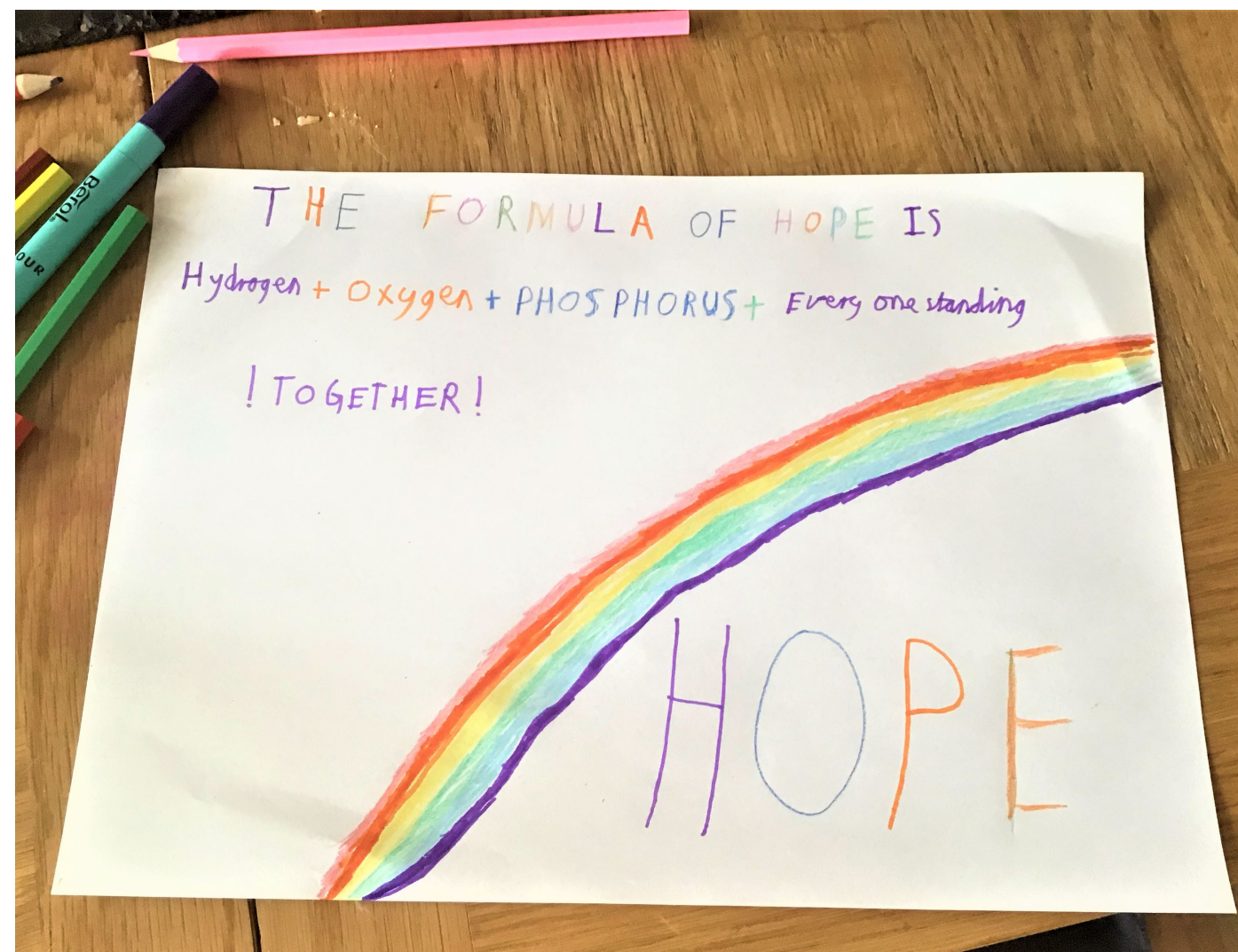


Josh hard at work in his virtual classroom.



Albie has walked 28 miles and raised over £300 for a charity based in Tanzania where he spent the first year of his life. This was part of a group of about 200 people who walked over 6000 'to Tanzania'. Great effort **Albie**!

Follow the new @BohuntHorshamAAC on Instagram - we are uploading examples of your amazing work and contributions to the school in Art, Music, PE, Drama and MFL!





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