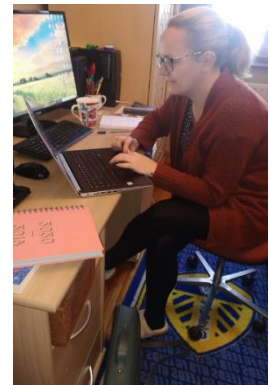


Dear 5SM,

I hope you are all well. I have been looking forward to writing this letter to you; I am missing chatting to you all.

Before I start to tell you how I've been keeping busy the last few weeks; I want to talk to you about **Google Classroom**. I'm very excited about it. All of your parents and carers will have received an email with your new email address and a special code so you can all enter the new 5SM online classroom. I will be putting work on there every day for you to complete and send back to me. If you have any questions about the learning you can write a message to me also. Here is a photo of me setting up your Google Classroom (in case you've forgotten what I look like) and working from home helping you continue your learning. I know at least one person in 5SM (S.P.) that will recognise the football team's badge on the rug on the floor!



Please also remember to continue to log on to **Times Tables Rockstars**, **MyMaths** and **Bugclub**. I am checking in every couple of days so I do know who is completing learning on there. Also please challenge me on TT Rockstars! I want to see 5SM at the top of the leader boards every week; 5KP and 5SP beat us before Easter! Your parents will have also received an email with instructions of how to access **Accelerated Reader** on line. Can you all remember your ZPDs in your reading records? Please access this at home and have a look at all of the wonderful books available for you to read.

I have been very busy over the Easter holidays. As well as eating LOTS of Easter eggs and



yummy hot-cross buns; I've been building some furniture, playing with Jenny – my cat and ensuring the slugs and foxes have been keeping away from my vegetable garden. The broad beans I planted are growing very well. I cannot wait to eat them!



I have been continuing to exercise daily. Yoga and bike rides have been my favourite so far. I completed a Joe Wicks workout though ached so much the next day. He really knows how to motivate and encourage people to exercise. He is a great role model.

On the subject of role models and heroes, have you been reading about Captain Tom Moore? As I'm writing this, he has raised 26 million pounds for NHS charities. He is 99 years old. I think I'll put him top of my list of people I would like to meet; Mo Farah is now second! *Who can tell me how Captain Tom raised the money?*

I've been learning a few new skills in this time away from 5SM. This week's skills that I have been learning have been sewing (using a sewing machine) and cross stitching. I've been

helping to make scrubs for the nurses at a local hospital. I will admit I'm not very good at it but I feel like I am helping the community and the NHS.



Do you like the flowers that I am cross stitching? I will bring it in to show you when I have finished it and school is open. When I was in Year 5, I was in the cross stitching club at school so it feels lovely to start doing it again. *What new hobbies or skills you have learnt?* I cannot wait to hear your responses. I had two lovely emails back – one from S.V. and another from S.P. – telling me what they have been filling their time with. I look forward to hearing from more of you.



Learning will be available for you from Monday morning on Google Classroom as well as a timetable for you to follow and the **code of conduct** that you must read and follow while using Google Classroom. Think of the code of conduct as the 5SM class rules.

I know some of you may be finding it hard to motivate yourselves to complete learning in these uncertain times but remember you are not alone. We all struggle (including teachers) but hopefully using Google Classroom will help you. I will be available to support and encourage you all. **We are team 5SM remember!**

I'm thinking of you all and I hope you are well,

Miss McMenemy

### **Tricky riddle for 5SM**

**Peter owns a pet store. He puts one canary per cage but has one canary too many.**

**If he puts two canaries in each cage, he has one cage too many.**

**How many cages and canaries does he have?**