

Dear 5Yellow,

It's so nice to get to write to you after all this time. I have really missed you over the past few weeks! It's almost been as long as the summer holidays now; but I imagine this has felt very different from the summer holidays of course! This time has felt really surreal for me too and I thought I would share with you some of the ways that I have been spending my time...



The first loaf vs the second loaf!

Well, at my home, time is often spent thinking about food. When will I next eat, what will I eat, do I need to eat? Not the best thoughts if I am trying to stay the same size as when we broke up from school! However, in order to pass the time I have tried to make an effort with cooking nicer meals and I even baked one off cakes, biscuits and my husband baked a loaf of bread! This all went well until we ran out of self-rising flour. Thankfully, our local news agent had some flour, at the extortionate price of £2.50! "At least I can have another baking project" I thought to myself, but when returned home, I opened the bag and to my dismay discovered it was gluten free! My husband tried to bake another loaf of bread without changing the recipe

and it came out harder than a brick and an anaemic white colour. He threw it to me like a rugby ball and I was almost winded! If anyone has any gluten free recipes, do send them this way!

Another fun way to pass time was to entertain myself with new books and jigsaws. Just before school finished, the teachers brought in books and jigsaws to do a swap. We had no idea we'd be off school for this long and so I'm really glad I chose to take as many as I did! I haven't really completed a jigsaw as an adult but remember enjoying them as a child, so I picked a jigsaw of London with 1000 pieces! Safe to say by the end of the week and a half of completing it, I was beginning to wish I'd never see London again! Not entirely true, I did enjoy it but was really glad to have it finished.



Relieved to see the end of it!

Finally - much like everyone I am sure - I have been so, so grateful for the beautiful weather we have enjoyed since quarantine! Each day, we go for a walk, cycle or run and have visited local places like Hove Park and the sea front. This has been just amazing and really breaks up the day. I even bumped into Poppy and Fin whilst I was there! At the back of our flat, we have a small patio area which is south facing, so the sun shines in over us. We lit the chiminea recently, and made s'mores with marshmallows and biscuits.



Enjoying the outdoors!

What have you been up to? Have you been learning at home? How have you found the time off?

If you would like to write a letter back, I'd gladly read it. Hope to hear from you soon!

Best wishes,

Mrs Nicholls