

First Edition!

**WHITSTABLE'S FIRST
EVER NEWSPAPER
WRITTEN IN
LOCKDOWN!
COMING UP...**



**NEW PUPPY
SURPRISE!
HESTER MEETS HEBE!**



**NEW RECIPES FROM
TOP CHEFS
IN THE FOOD SECTION**



**FILM REVIEWS AND
NEW WRITING
IN CULTURE SECTION**

THE LOCKDOWN TIMES



Witches in Whitstable!

Carodejnice is a Czech tradition held on the 30th April marking the day that people believed witches would come. In order to scare witches away you make a fake one called an effigy and burn it into ashes! It was believed that if a witch saw that happening that it would fly away. Some children like to dress up like in Halloween but just as witches. We also cook buřt, a sausage that is cut at the end so it looks like a flower. You cook them on a long metal skewer over a fire. Czechs believe that if you scare away the witch you scare away winter with it and so welcomes the beginning of Spring!

This year we are going to burn our witches on the BBQ in the garden so hopefully there will be more sunshine!

By Aurelia

Hester and Trewin get a Puppy Surprise!



On Monday me and my bro and my mum went for a walk. When we were back we found our dad holding a puppy. At first I thought she was a stray and my bro thought she was a cuddly toy but my mum knew. "SHE IS A PUPPY" said my dad.



She is called Hebe and she is sooo cute. She was very scared when we got her and she howled a bit!!!!.

I WAS SO HAPPY!!

This is what a grown-up whippet looks like. Hebe does not look like this, she is smaller and more cute and does not really have the same pattern.



By Hester!!

Facts:

- When puppies are little they are blind and deaf
- A dog can have up to 12 puppies in one go
- Puppies like it when you sing and talk to them
- They do not have any fur when they are born

Opinions:

- ♦ They are really cute
- They are very cuddly
- They are soft
- They have pretty eyes



Jungle Gym Discovered in Whitstable!



SYLVIE'S QUIZ

- Q 1. How do you get down ?
- Q 2. What did i find ?
- Q 3. Who do you contact if you want to know where the den is ?

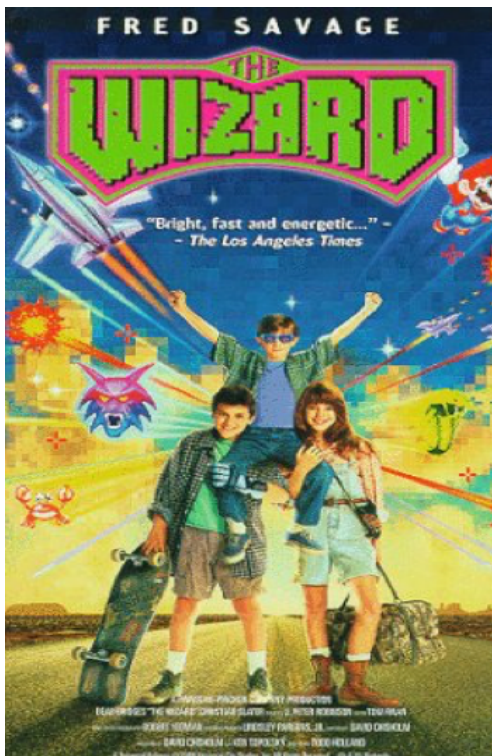
Answers on page 16

One day on our family walk to the beach , we stumbled upon a jungle den . I felt curious when i found it because I wanted to learn more about this place . I got down by going down steep stairs . It looked as if no one had gone in there for a long time . We found a tree that had been blown down and now was a climbing frame for children . You could stand up on it and then sit down again but it could keep you entertained for hours . The tree was really fun and i cant wait to go on there again . There was also a bit of a U.F.O somewhere around there i knew because it was round ,metal ,silver and looked like a U.F.O . It's a mysterious place and you should go there if you want to know where it is than contact my mum . Whilst we were down there we noticed that there were bits of a WW2 air raid shelter many people hid down here in the war who knows. I also found a golden snail shell and a weird bowl thingy. I hoped you liked my article.

By Sylvie

CULTURE

LATEST FILM REVIEWS



THE WIZARD

WATCH IT ON: NETFLIX

BBFC RATING: PG

STARRING: LUKE EDWARDS, FRED SAVAGE, JENNY LEWIS AND CHRISTIAN SLATER.

As my dad works on the Kermode and Mayo's film review, so we spend a lot of time watching films, especially while in isolation.

One of my favourites, which I highly recommend for this period is The Wizard, which you can find on Netflix.

This film is great if like me you are a proper comedy and gaming lover.

It's the story of two brothers on the run one of whom is revealed to have a amazing talent. They make some interesting friends, and some grand and funny entrances along the way. GAME ON!

Review by Victor



THE WILLOUGHBYS

WATCH IT ON: NETFLIX

BBFC RATING: PG

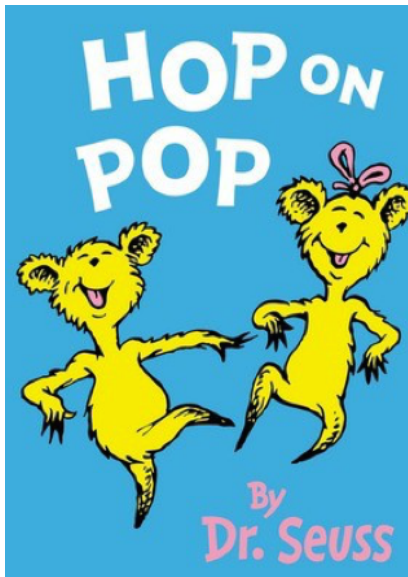
STARRING: WILL FORTE, MAYA RUDOLPH AND RICKY GERVAIS

The Willoughbys is a fun family movie with twists and turns, many fun characters and an unusual narrator.

This movie involves strange family drama. The Willoughbys are not a normal 21st century family. An enthusiastic nanny saves the Willoughby children from childcare services as their parents abandon them whilst they go on a world tour set up by Jane, Barnaby, Barnaby and Tim - the Willoughby children themselves.

Review by Isla

LATEST BOOK REVIEW



HOP ON POP BY DR. SEUSS

Hop on pop isn't a story. It has words describing the picture and then it mixes the words up into a funny sentence.

I love it because it is fun to read.

Book Review by Iris

NEW WRITING - POETRY AND A PLAY

RAYS OF SUNSHINE COME AND GO

AFTER THE STORM THE RAINBOW GLOWS

IN THE BEAUTIFUL SUNSHINE BEAMING DOWN

NOW'S NOT THE TIME TO WORRY AND FROWN

BE BRAVE AND BE STRONG TOGETHER AND

OUR HEARTS WILL BELONG FOREVER TO A BETTER

WORLD, WHERE LOVE WILL FIND THE WAY

By Rosie

Alone - A play by Cleo

Characters

Mum
Lilly
Olive
Mel, (Olives mum)
Boris Johnson
Dad
Lucas
Health Minister

Scene 1 - change of plan

(Lily is packing her stuff to go on holiday.)

Mum Lily, have you packed your stuff?

Lilly I've nearly finished

Mum When you're done come watch tele with me.

Lilly What are we watching?

Mum The news.

Lilly Why?

Mum Because I need to see if our holiday is cancelled.

Lilly Ok, Can I stay in my bedroom while you watch the news.

Mum Yes

(mum turns on the tele and Boris Johnson starts talk)

Boris Johnson No-one in the UK will be going to a different country

(Lilly walks into the room)

All holidays are now cancelled!

(Lilly starts crying and walks into her bedroom)

Mum *(turns off the tele)*

Lilly What's the matter?

Lilly Nothing

Mum I know something's up.

Lilly Its nothing!

Mum You should always tell an adult if you're upset, scared or worried.

Lilly Im just a bit worried because I am supposed to go into year 4 this year and what if we have to stay at home for ages and I can't make any friends.

Mum Stop, everything will be alright - I will make sure you make some friends, ok.

Lilly Ok

Mum Now get some sleep

(She shuts Lilly's bedroom door and blows Lilly a kiss)

Scene 2 - Bullied

Lilly

(She wakes up and goes to Mum and Dad)

Good morning. Dad are you Okay?

(Dad starts coughing)

Dad Yeah I'm fine

Lilly Ok...Are you sure?

Dad Yeah

Mum Lilly, your best friends mum is on face time so you might be able to speak to Olive.

Lilly Coming

Mum Do you want to stay in the kitchen or go into your bedroom.

Lilly Bedroom

Mum Ok

Lilly Hi Mel, Can I speak to Olive

Mel Oh sorry olive is out she will be back in about an hour

Lilly Oh *(putting on a sad face)*

Mel But you can speak to Lucas he's here

Lilly Yeah that sounds great

Lucas Hi Lilly, why do I have to speak to you ? you know Olive doesn't actually like you and no one does.

Lilly Yes she does like me - she's my best friend.

Lucas Actually - everyone hates you - you belong in the dump.

(Lilly runs off crying)

Scene 3 -losing a friend

Mel Lucas - Where has Lilly gone

Lucas She just ran away.

Mel OK

(Lucas and Mel hang up the video call)

Lilly Mum

Mum (walks over to Lilly) Yes Lilly

Lilly Can I call Olive

Mum Didn't you just call her.

Lilly No Olive wasn't there

Mum Ok -try calling her phone

(mum leaves stage right)

Lilly Hi Olive

Olive Hi

Lilly Your brother told me you don't actually like me. You're not my friend anymore.

(Lilly slams the laptop and starts crying)

Boris Johnson (on the television)

Good afternoon everybody. We have some serious news. The hospitals are getting packed and the NHS are struggling so please stay at home to stop spreading the virus.

Health Minister We are gathering as many health services as we can but that doesn't mean you are allowed to go out, you have to stay at home.....and remember, the virus is not spreading - we are spreading IT!

Scene 4 - 999

Dad Lilly (he coughs)....Lilly

(he keeps coughing)

Lilly Mum, Mum, come quick - Daddy can't stop coughing.

Mum Oh dear what shall we do?

Lilly I think we should call 999

(blue lights flashing and Mum and Lilly are crying)

Scene 5 - home alone

Mum Lilly you have to stay at home on your own - I have been called to the hospital as they think Daddy might be dying.

Lilly ok mum how long will you take?

Mum I'll be as quick as I can.

(Lilly is left all alone looking scared)

Lilly Im all alone.

Scene 6 -treatment

Lilly (opens the laptop and starts to ring someone) Hi Mel, I don't want to speak

to Olive as we're not friends anymore but I do want to speak to you. I know you did a course in herbal treatment and my Dad is dying in hospital and I don't know what to do.

Mel Im glad you've called as I have been looking into the virus treatment and I think you need to pour vanilla extract onto lavender.

Lilly Ok i will try it

Mel But wait - Olive needs to tell you something.

Lilly Ok

Olive Hi Lilly I need to tell you something. My brother told me you didn't like me anymore either. He's such a bully and trouble maker. I'm so fed up of being locked in with him all the time, he's ruining all my friendships.

Lilly ok

Olive By the way , you are still my BFF!!!!

Lilly your my BFF too!!!!

SCENE 7 HAPPY ENDING

Lilly Mum did you get the vanilla and lavender medicine I sent you.

Mum Yes and it worked, Daddy will be home soon.

Lilly Thats great! (hugs mum)

Boris Johnson (on the television) Im delighted to announce that a little girl called Lilly and her friends Mum Mel have developed a treatment for the virus using lavender and vanilla extract and we've also developed a vaccine so you can all go back to work and school.

Everyone: Hooray

ART & INTERVIEW



An Interview with My Sister Pearl

This is an interview of how pearl feels about the corona-Virus and lock down. "i miss my friends during lock down and It's really hard being with out them. I've been playing out side and I've been playing with my cute kitten shadow. I've been watching friends with my mum and sister and team kaylie with my sister. By Mabel Rose



FOOD



My Summer Cake

By Lily

Ingredients:

- 250g plain flour
- 250g caster sugar
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 2 tbs milk
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 3 drops of summer food colouring
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 tsp vanilla essence
- 100g butter/melted

For the filling:

- Freshly chopped strawberry's
- Strawberry jam
- 50g butter
- Yellow food colouring
- Sprinkles
- Edible glitter
- Cream cheese
- Icing sugar 250g
- 20cm Cake Tin

Method

1. Whisk the eggs and sugar until a light fluffy texture then add the food colouring.
2. After whisking, add all the ingredients and mix together until smooth.
3. Pre-heat the oven to 190°C and spray a cake tin with fry light spray. Add flour so that it covers the tin.
4. Put the cake in the oven and leave it for 30-35 mins or until it doesn't wobble.
5. Let the cake cool down.
6. Cut it in half horizontally and vertically.
7. Spread the jam and strawberry slices on the bottom layer.
8. Then mix the icing sugar, cream cheese and butter until smooth. Then add a few spoons on top of the strawberries and jam on top.
9. Place the other layer on top.
10. Spread the rest of the cream cheese filling on the top and decorate the summer cake with all the summery toppings you can think.

Isla's Caramel Popcorn

By Isla

4 servings/ 10 mins prep/ 10 mins cooking

Ingredients

80 g popping corn

2 tbsp butter

2 tbsp golden syrup

2 tbsp brown sugar

1 tsp oil - if popping the corn on a hob

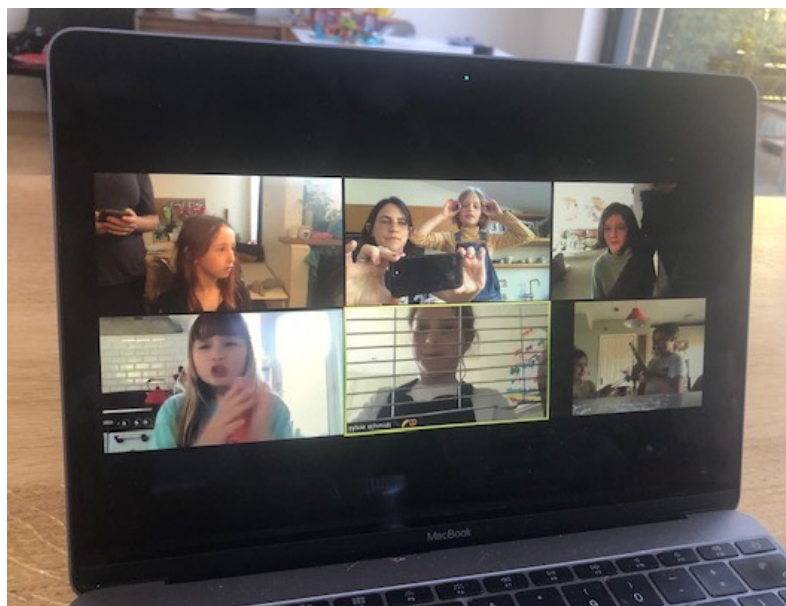
Directions

For the popcorn:

1. Put your oil into a large saucepan
2. Put the popcorn into the saucepan and put the lid on. Put the pan onto a medium/ high heat, shaking it to stop the corn sticking.
3. Once the pan is hot enough the corn will start to pop, leave it on the heat until the popping sounds have died down to about 1 every second.
4. As soon as the corn has popped remove the pan from the heat and pour the popcorn into a large bowl
5. For the sauce:

Put all of the ingredients into a saucepan on a low heat (2 tbsp butter, 2 tbsp golden syrup, 2 tbsp brown sugar). Stir the mixture until the butter and sugar have melted.

Tip over the popped corn. Stir until the popcorn is coated in the sauce.



Cooking in Quarantine
Zoomers

LOCKDOWN IN PICTURES



PUZZLES, COMPETITIONS & GAMES

Kika's Spot The Elves!

FROM KIKA



We know it's not Christmas but can you spot the cheeky elves hiding around the garden. There are five to find. 3 wearing Red and 2 in black.
Good Luck!

How Many Sweets are in the Jar?

FROM ROSIE



HOW MANY SWEETS ARE
IN THE JAR!

So I've decided to raise money for charity during the lockdown. The charity I have chosen is the British Heart Foundation because my grandad had a heart attack 6 years ago. If you would like to take part please donate £1 to guess how many sweets are in the jar. The person with the closest guess will win the jar of sweets and I will give all the money to the British Heart Foundation. I will announce the winner on Sunday the 24th of May.

Can You Crack the Scavenger Code?

FROM ROSIE

1 E	7 P	12 F	17 U	22 T
2 L	8 N	13 H	18 B	23 J
3 K	9 W	14 Q	19 Z	24 R
4 S	10 I	15 C	20 V	25 X
5 O	11 D	16 Y	21 A	26 M
6 G				

Try and find these things:

1.	4	5	26	I	22	13	10	8	6/	4	13	21	24	7	
2.	4	5	26	I	22	13	10	8	6/	4	5	12	22		
3.	4	5	26	I	22	13	10	8	6/	4	26	1	2	2	16
4.	4	5	26	I	22	13	10	8	6/	14	17	10	1	22	
5.	4	5	26	I	22	13	10	8	6/	2	5	17	11		

Countdown!

Can you work out the answer to the sum below?

$9 \div +27 \div \text{Divided by } 3 \div +37 \div \text{Divided by } 7 \div \times 10 \div -26 \div \text{Divided by } 11 \div +21 \div \text{divided by } 5 = ????$

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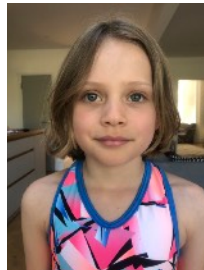
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Playwright

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of our Lockdown Journalists. It isn't easy to be working from home in these difficult times.

We hope you have enjoyed being part of The Lockdown Times. We apologise about the pay.

ANSWER TO SYLVIE'S QUIZ:

1 . Steep stairs 2. A golden shell , a ufo a shelter and a tree 3. Sylvie's mum

COUNTDOWN ANSWER: 5.