



Oldbury Wells drama teacher Kurt Cook as Ali-Gator.

Pupils create local lockdown film!

Oldbury Wells School has led an excellent newsround project this term. It has captured the interest of pupils across all of our six Trust schools and also the other primary schools in the Bridgnorth area. The Oldbury Wells School staff and governors picked the best work from the schools who took part and made it into a short film. This film starring the pupils, was broadcasted out over the internet, in a special assembly. This assembly was led by Mr Tristham the Oldbury Wells' Headteacher. The theme of the film is Newsround and it showcases the work that pupils have been doing during lockdown. This newsletter illustrates much of that work across the schools who took part in the project.

Lee Tristham, Headteacher at Oldbury Wells said, "We designed this project to give pupils an enjoyable and educational activity during lockdown. We were hoping it would be something fun for the family to get involved with. We also wanted to find a way for pupils to share with each other some of the excellent work they were doing across all of our local schools. We have been so very impressed by the pupils' creativity and knowledge, the clips have been a joy to watch."

Pupils from thirteen local schools have taken part in the project with more than 120 pupils who have uploaded their news clips. The finished film showing the best work has Oldbury Wells' drama teacher Kurt Cook, dressed as a TV Newsreader. Tom Williams (Assistant Head at Oldbury Wells) said, "We were so impressed by all of the clips, so well done everyone. Two entries particularly stood out for us. All of the finalists in our film received a prize, and particular awards went to: Austin Hunter-Partridge from Worfield

primary and Abigail Higgott from St Leonards".

Sarah Godden, CEO of the TrustEd Schools' Partnership explained, "We designed this project to give pupils in our Trust schools something extra, fun and constructive to do through Virtual Learning at home. We then thought that it could be something that other schools could easily take part in. We were delighted that all of the Bridgnorth area primary schools have taken part! From the film clips that the pupils have sent us we can see the wonderful variety of excellent learning that children are doing across our area, including local history, extreme weather, ancient China, space travel, Churchill and Henry VIII!"

Participating schools from TrustEd Schools' Partnership are Oldbury Wells School, Church Stretton School, Alveley Primary School, Castlefields School, Stokesay School and St Leonards School. Other schools taking part are Beckbury School, Claverley School, Highley School, Morville School, St John's RC School, St Mary's School and Worfield School.

Headteacher, Rebecca Lee from Castlefields Primary school said, "This has been a great project. It has given pupils a chance to be creative and show what they have been learning about in their virtual lessons. We loved seeing the special assembly with the finished film screening and the result of all the pupils' hard work. Thank you to Oldbury Wells for organising this inspiring project for us all."

You can take a look at the short film on the Oldbury Wells News Page: <http://www.oldburywells.com/>



Church Stretton School

The year 7 key workers' drama group at Church Stretton School rose to the Newsround Challenge! With the help of Tom Wise (drama teacher) the students spent the day participating in drama activities which focused on presentation skills. They explored different styles of language appropriate to different types of news reports where students used green screen, video recording equipment and costumes to create a variety of news reports. We loved their work and picked a clip starring Brandon Hall and Charlie Warburton to go into our final Newsround Broadcast. Well done everyone.



Alveley Primary School

Mrs Godden visited Alveley last week and talked to some pupils about their work and the Newsround project too. Several pupils told her they had really enjoyed the project as it gave them a chance to show their knowledge and also to have some fun with dressing up as news reporters. Isabelle Matthews recorded a great report on the Mexican Mayans, which we used in our final Newsround film – and we thought the clips from Alveley were all of a high standard.



Stokesay Primary School

Pupils at Stokesay School have been busy learning during Lockdown. Their teachers set work on Tapestry and used videos and Microsoft Teams to help their pupils too. Mr O'Malley, Executive Headteacher said he was so pleased with how the pupils worked last half term and also how well they have settled back into class. We enjoyed watching the videos from Stokesay on the topic of Space and rainforests. We especially like Riley Howell's weather report and used it on our Newsround film. Well done everyone.



Highley Community Primary School

We had lots of clips from Highley School pupils for the project. Mr Plim, Headteacher, told us that he was so proud of how well the pupils had done and was delighted to see his pupils really joining in and getting creative. We were impressed too! We loved the clip where a dad played the part of Churchill being interviewed. We also loved the work of Eben Davies, who made his report all about rainforests. Great work Highley.



St John's Catholic Primary School

We had some outstanding work from St John's School for this project. Pupils' showcased their knowledge of topics such as Space and World War 1. We saw some great ICT skills from the pupils at St John's School including one in particular. We enjoyed the work of Max Ward who created a very mature news report on the impact of the pandemic in South America. We used this clip in our film and thought it was great. Congratulations everyone.



St Leonards C.E. Primary School

At St Leonards school during lockdown pupils have been learning many things including The Tudors and Space. We loved many of the clips from St Leonards, including one starring a whole family who reported on a local issue. Excellent work! The one clip we selected for our film was by Abigail Higgott and her report on finding Tudor treasure in her back garden. We awarded her a special prize. Well done to everyone from St Leonards.



Castlefields Primary School

Ancient China, local geography and Vikings were the main topics covered by pupils in the Newsround Project. Mrs Lee told us how well pupils in all of the classes had returned to school last week and how hard they have been working during lockdown too. We really enjoyed seeing Castlefields clips and chose Ben Quinton's clip about Oracle Bones to go onto our film. Excellent work everyone, we hope you enjoyed the project.



Claverley CE (Aided) Primary School

Claverley School pupils have been carrying out a range of topics during lockdown this winter, including the Amazon Rainforest. The resulting video clip from Eden Tudge, about Rainforests was particularly high quality and informative. Mrs Derrer, Headteacher tells us how well pupils have all settled back into school now and was pleased to hear from us about how the project had gone.





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We enjoyed watching the clips from Worfield for the Newsround project. Topics covered by the pupils included the environment. We were amazed by the work of year 3 pupil Austin Hunter- Partridge on the environment. He showed great presentation and ICT skills as well as showcasing his knowledge very well. Well done everyone.



St Mary's Bluecoat Primary School

St Mary's school sent in a wide selection of clips and it was hard to pick one in particular to go onto our final Newsround film. We loved the creative presentation by Finely Drew and his story on the Portia Jumping Spider and felt he had to be showcased in our final film. Well done to everyone at St Mary's too – we thought your entries were great.



Morville C.E. Primary School

We had a tremendous number of clips sent to us from pupils at Morville School which were of a high quality and informative. The clips showcased the pupils' knowledge of Victorians and they applied their knowledge to local history, such as the local post office and the Severn Valley Railway. There was a stand out clip from Lily Farmer about the Victorian Post Office and we loved her 'on location' filming. Congratulations Morville school!



Beckbury C.E. Primary School

We also had a very good range of entries from Beckbury School, with clever historical reports on Romans and also the war. We loved Douglas Spickernell's creative approach to a crime and his costume in his report on Roman Baths. Well done to Beckbury School!



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