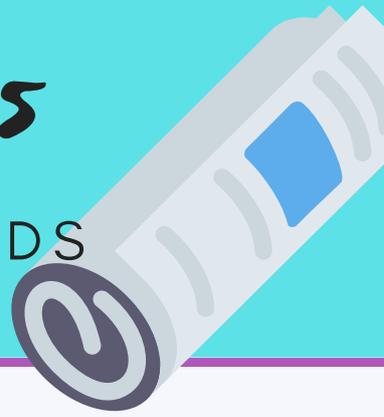




# Todd Valley Times

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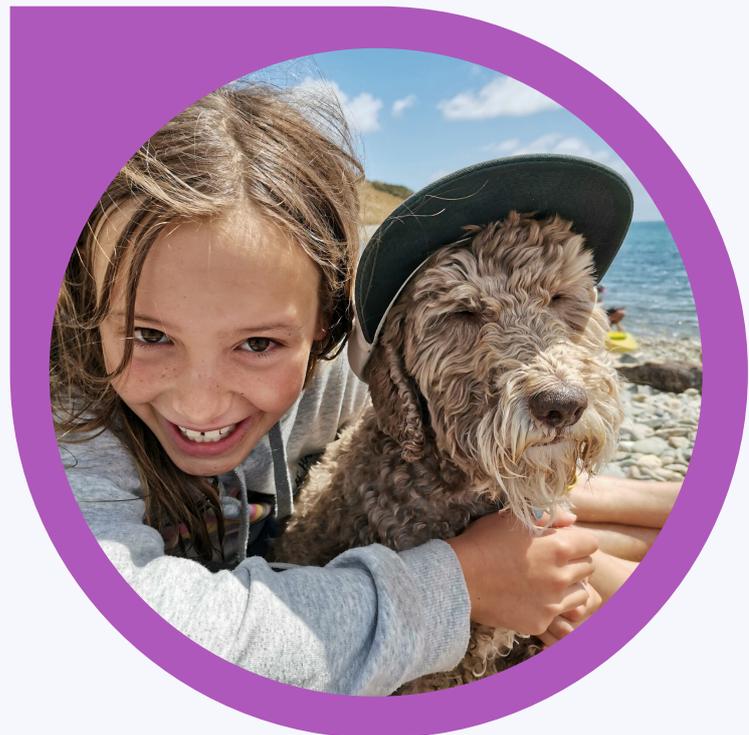
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## Welcome Back!

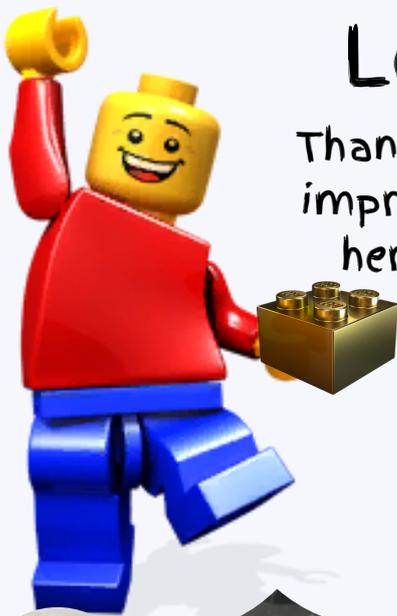
Hi guys, thanks so much for reading my first issue. It was great to receive all your emails. I hope you are all keeping busy. This issue is based around Lego, fun and entertainment, so be sure to share it with you friends and family. Dig in and enjoy!

Lucy, the editor



# Lego Competition

Thank you all for your AMAZING entries. I am very impressed so I have featured all of your builds in here. The winner of the golden brick is Asher.



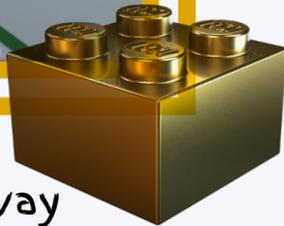
Elsie, age 5

Campsite, it's free to go in and you can bring your pets. There is a washing line, a foal trailer and even a pool.



Asher, age 7

Transporter plane, runway and control tower



Sophie, age 7

The house of fun made with duplo

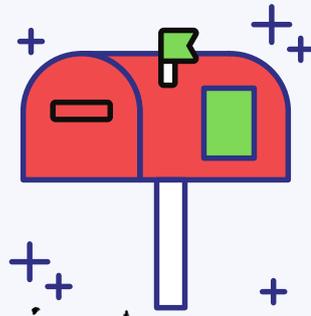


Jessica, age 9

Campervan and campsite with a fire and bike.



# In the Mail



Here are the awesome articles I have received

## The Disappearing World

We interrupt your story with breaking news! The world has started to fade into nothing! Please take care and beware of your surroundi-AAAAAH!!! It was true. All of the buildings were disintegrating. It was like a black hole. I was walking along when I saw everything happen. People running and screaming. I felt dizzy. How could this be happening? I stood there watching it unfold in amazement. It was getting closer. I could get drained into a world of nothing. I walked closer. I told myself to stop but I kept on going. I spotted a doorway ahead. It looked old and cracked.

It was closed. Behind me the world was crumbling away, bit by bit. I ran for the door, hoping it wouldn't lead to nothing. I took a deep breath. "Here we go," I quietly whispered to myself. I swiftly opened the door, went around it and then closed it as fast as I could. BOOOOOM!!!! I heard the world explode behind me. I closed my eyes, terrified. I opened my eyes. A path lay in front of me. It went into the dark, stormy clouds.



I started walking into the clouds. A mysterious voice said to me, "Hello. I am Captain Rusty. Only few come here and those few are usually ones with very capable souls." said the voice. Follow the path to meet your fellow adventurers. I followed the path...

**By Dimitri**

# The first day of lock down and my 10th birthday

I woke up, it was the first day of lock down and my 10th birthday. I got dressed and went out to the lounge to open my presents with my parents. I got a flower press, a 3x3 rubik's cube, a pop out dolls book, an art book, a Lego Technic boat that floats, vouchers and money.

I don't like having birthdays at home but we had to be at home because of Covid-19. I didn't even have a party with my friends but I did have a party with my parents, a treasure hunt and cake.

I also had to do school work, reading, writing and math. But I have to admit it was quite fun having a party at home.

**By Caitlin Whiting**



# Sam's Stuff

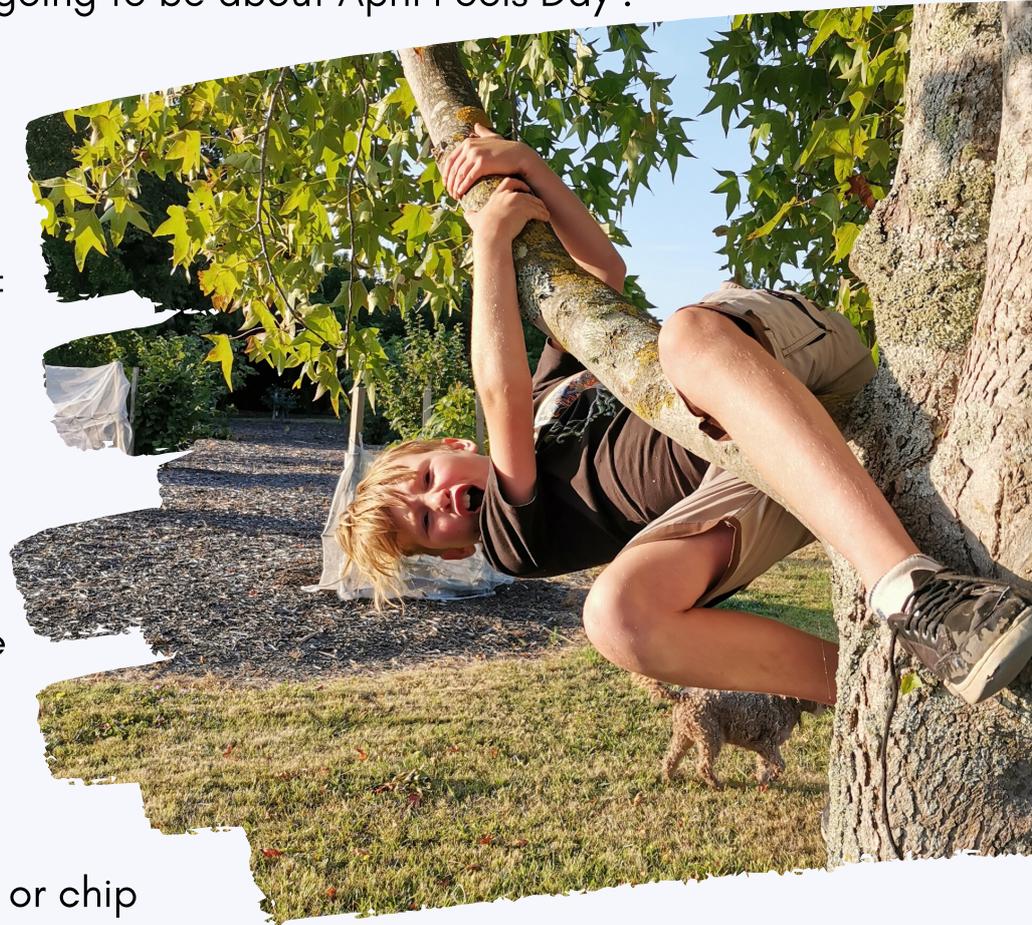
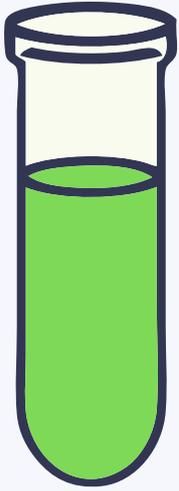
Hi my name is Sam I am the sub editor of Todd Valley Times. I'm doing a section with lots of fun stuff like pranks and jokes and this week's section is going to be about April Fools Day .

This April Fools Day I tricked my dad by putting loads of sour stuff on a cracker. He totally fell for it and threw the cracker into the bushes. Here's how you make the cracker:

- Get a cracker or chip
- Get some lemon juice, salt and spread
- Put the salt on first, then put the lemon juice on then the spread on to cover them, and if you want add cheese
- Go to your mum or dad and tell them 'I was eating some crackers and I thought you would want one!'
- And give them the cracker and run for your life!

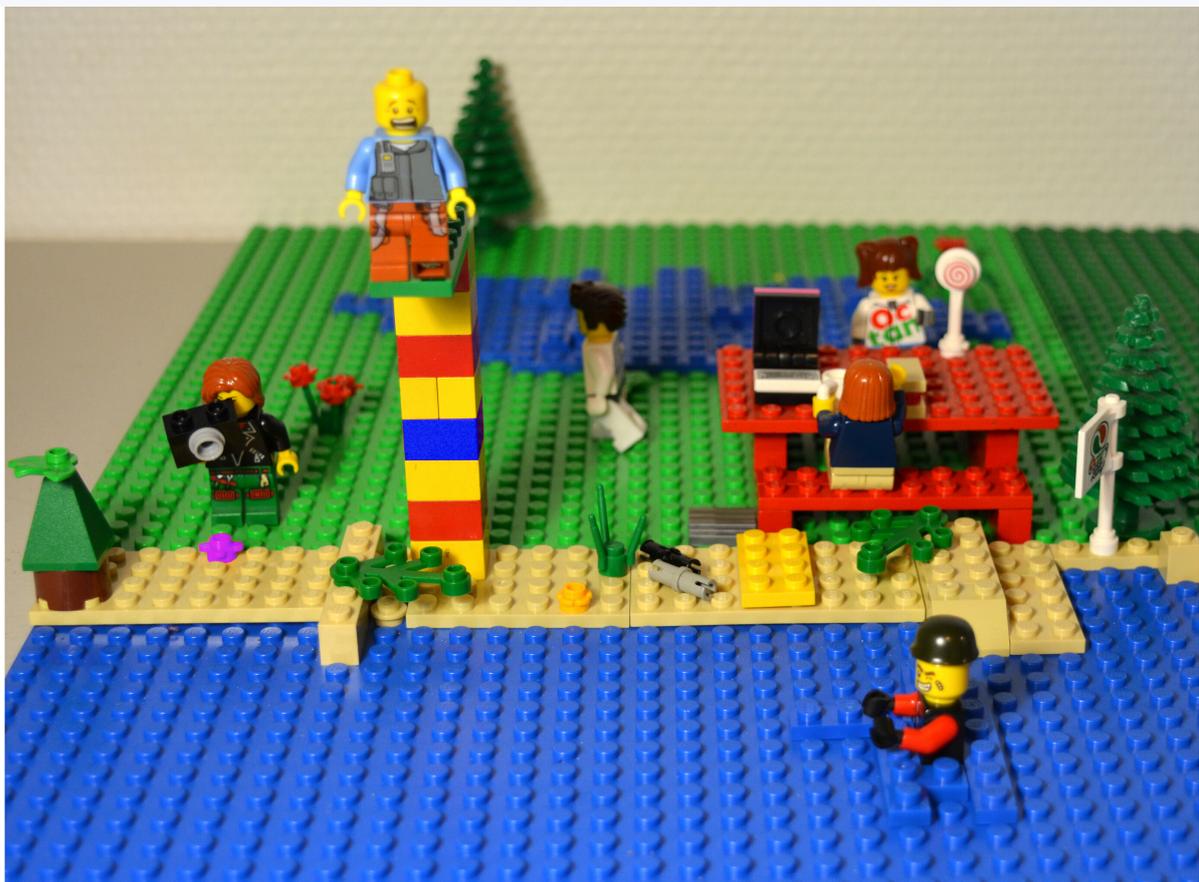
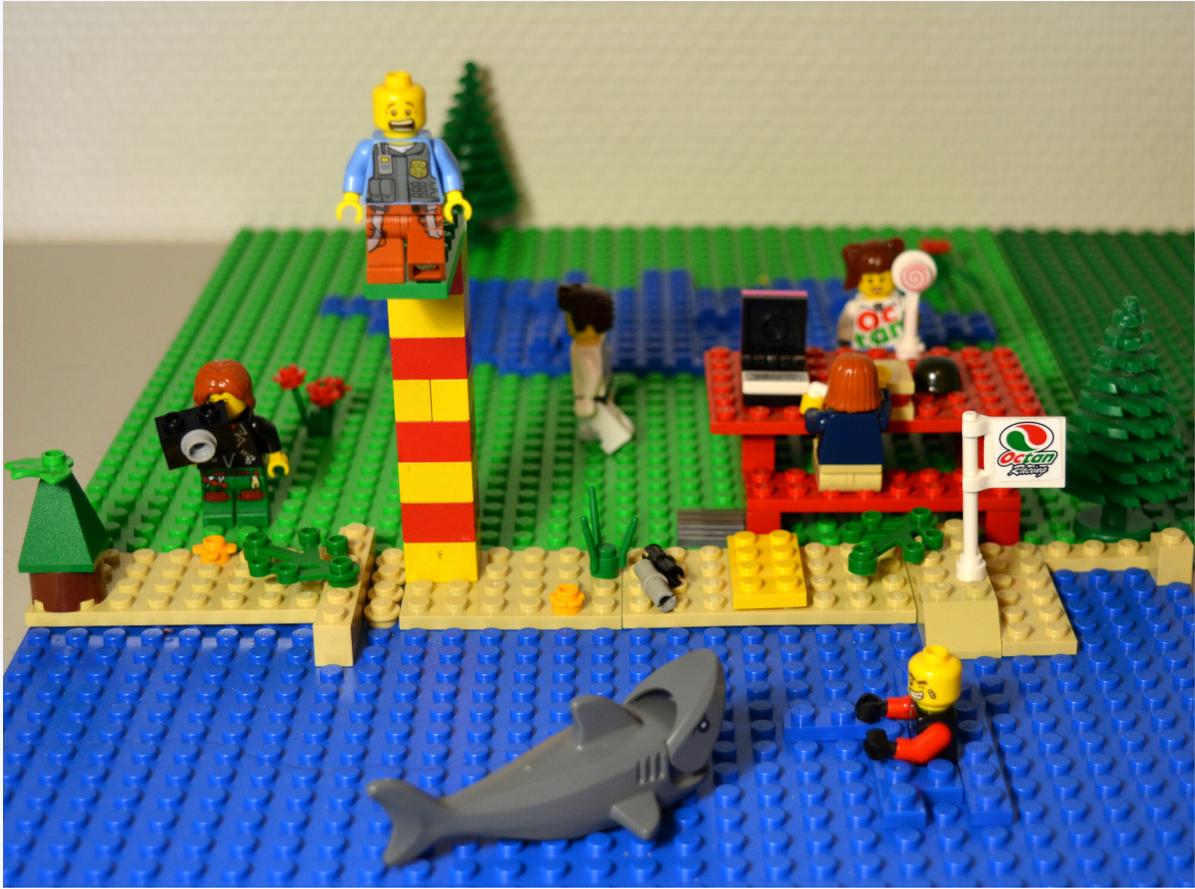
**Joke of the week:**  
Knock knock  
who's there?  
Egbert  
Egbert who?  
Egbert no bacon!

If you have any jokes or April Fools stories send them to me at [daughtreysj@cliftontce.school.nz](mailto:daughtreysj@cliftontce.school.nz)



# Lego spot the difference

There are 11 differences between these two pictures!  
Can you find them all?



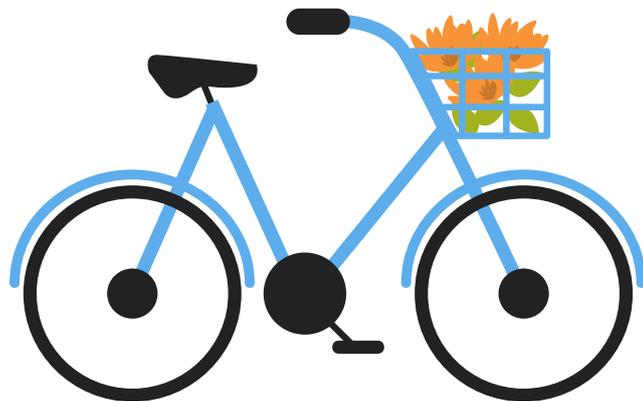
Answers next issue!!

# Wordfind

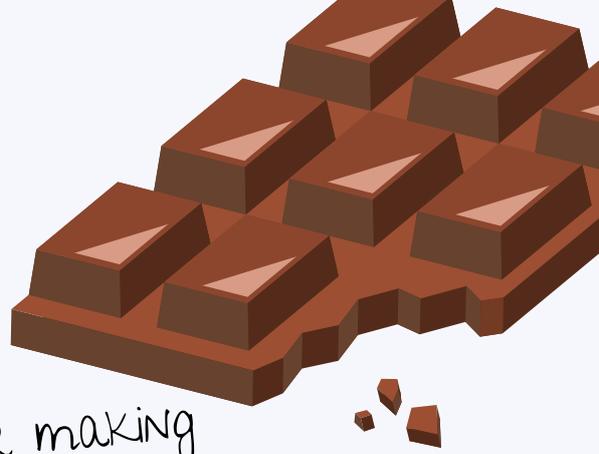
## Bike Parts

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SEAT  
SHOCK  
SPOKES  
TYRE  
WHEELS



# Chocolate Cake in a Mug



Hey kids, I found this really cool recipe for making your very own cake in a mug!

## You will need:

- 4 tbsp Self Raising Flour
- 2 tbsp brown sugar
- 2 tbsp cocoa
- 1 egg lightly beaten
- 3 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1/4 tsp cinnamon
- 3 tbsp milk
- 1/2 tbsp vanilla extract
- 2 tbsp milk chocolate or chocolate drops



In a large mug, stir together all the dry ingredients. Make sure there are no lumps.

Try to make a well in the middle.

Pour in the egg, oil, vanilla, cinnamon and milk.

Mix well with a fork, again making sure there are no lumps!

Stir through the chopped up chocolate (or chocolate drops).

Put the mug in the microwave and cook on high setting for 2.5 to 3 minutes.

Let it cool for 2 minutes before eating!



Enjoy!



# In the next issue

- Pet competition

Send us a pic of a your pet dressed up and we will chose a winner and feature all entries in the next edition



- April Fools Day

Send us your april fools stories to [daughtreysj@cliftontce.school.nz](mailto:daughtreysj@cliftontce.school.nz) and we will feature them all in Sam's Stuff next edition



- Teddy bear hunt

- Easter Fun



See you in the next edition!



*Lucy*



Lucy the editor