



## **Community Connect Message**

Good morning to all our home learners and their families. Keep up the good work, everyone!

Today's poet was also a painter, engraver and visionary. His work grew in popularity after his death and William Blake is now regarded as one of the leading lights of English poetry,

William Blake (1757-1827)

## **The Ecchoing Green**

The sun does arise,
And make happy the skies.
The merry bells ring
To welcome the Spring.
The sky-lark and thrush,
The birds of the bush,
Sing louder around,
To the bells' cheerful sound.
While our sports shall be seen
On the Ecchoing Green.

Old John, with white hair
Does laugh away care,
Sitting under the oak,
Among the old folk,
They laugh at our play,
And soon they all say.
'Such, such were the joys.
When we all girls & boys,
In our youth-time were seen,
On the Ecchoing Green.'

Till the little ones weary
No more can be merry
The sun does descend,
And our sports have an end:
Round the laps of their mothers,
Many sisters and brothers,
Like birds in their nest,
Are ready for rest;
And sport no more seen,
On the darkening Green.

## <u>Music</u>

This piece comes recommended by one of our MFL teachers, who says:

I like this song for its message of living life to its fullest and making sure that we take the time to stop and enjoy the little things like clouds, trees...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x5SHQShUSSI

English translation: <a href="https://lyricstranslate.com/en/volar-fly.html-1">https://lyricstranslate.com/en/volar-fly.html-1</a>

## **Fitness Challenge**

Find a deck of playing cards. Make sure they are shuffled. How quickly can you sort them into piles of red and black cards? What about into their 4 suits? Challenge your family so see who has the quickest reactions and is the most coordinated! It is harder than it sounds!