**Moving On 2020 – Feedback**

Thank you Caroline and Sophie, you have been amazing. Thank you so much for keeping going, making the best out of an impossible situation. The avatars are brilliant , the videos are so sweet and Moving On will be,  even if different, a lovely memory for the kids.

Thank you so much for your hard work

Sophie (school rep)

Thank you so much for all you have done. Roman has benefitted so much from Patina process- we read each email and guidance and idea and it’s been a hook to pull him through what has been a time of such loss and grief of him, of everything he assumed he would experience since starting school. Patina have consistently understood that journey and those feelings and we as a family are so grateful and so committed to supporting you, in continuing to support us and future children of course.

Thank you again

Sinead Wileman and Roman age 11

We are all truly grateful for the events you have organised to celebrate the children’s moving on and to mark the occasion on the 3rd of July – it’s extremely important that we make this day as special as we can for the children and you’re doing a brilliant job of making that happen.

Much gratitude to you both

Jo (parent)

Queen Victoria, world history, and being creative in education — just some of the many ways our own [@PatinaLewes](https://twitter.com/PatinaLewes) is "teaching through doing" as lockdown fragments. John Warburton

Just watched the avatar film - so cool!  Thanks so much PATINA and well done for making it through your roughest toughest year yet.  It’s such a valued thing and so worth it.  Thank you xxxxxx

Oh my goodness! This had me at the intro!! What a wonderful, wonderful thing you have created. Just gorgeous for each little artist to get a turn to show their brilliant creations. Loved seeing them all! For me, more than anything it was how you managed to amplify the spirit of patina, despite Corona!! Truly felt like a super special, inclusive celebration of year 6.

That has set me up for the day!

Mel (Lewes resident)

Dear Caroline,
Quite how you managed to create such a lovely feeling in the face of all the difficulties I don't know but the children were so excited, and our parents loved the videos you created - they were apparently all weeping as they watched them!
Let's hope next year is back to normal, but thank you for all that you did this year. I think it was a great success,
Best regards,
Carrie

Head of School, LOGS

Thank you for all the wonderful and inspiring ideas the Patina group have been inventing during this strange time. It is greatly appreciated. Rebecca Rossi-Bennett, year 6 teacher, Ringmer Primary School

Thank you for making me cry before six in the morning!!  These videos are fantastic - thank you SO much! We say goodbye to our Y6 children today and these will be a big part of their final morning at primary school. From Mary x Year 6 teacher Hamsey school

A huge thank you from all the staff and year 6 children at Laughton. The children had an amazing time on Friday and appreciated all the hard work that was put in to make the event special. Thank you and look forward to next year. Victoria Mandy, year 6 teacher, Laughton Community Primary School

On behalf of Firle and Laughton school, I would like to say a big thank you  to everyone involved, for all your efforts in making this year's parade special. We understand how difficult it must have been, but the children had a lovely day. Kind regards, Jacqui

I just wanted to say a huge thank you for everything you and the Patina team have done! Vincent loved seeing his jester . The other models that the other children made were all brilliant . We also showed him the lovely messages on your Facebook page which was so great. Such a clever idea ! I hope you are all keeping well. Well done to you all and thanks again for all your hard work. Best wishes, Mellissa and Vincent

Thank you so much for working so incredible hard to make Patina so memorable and fun for the year 6s. The avatar idea was inspired and we are really grateful for everything you have done for them. (Parent).

Thank you both for all your hard work! Harriet P

Yes indeed, amazing creativity and PIVOTING from you both xx Sophie Isachson

This is amazing and you are all doing a wonderful job! Fiona

Well done team Patina lots of invention and new skills being developed. Amazing.

Nick (trustee)

Just wanted to say that you two are amazing! I was feeling a little down before tonight’s meeting and wanted to make sure Eva was out of earshot, but you’re so enthusiastic and positive I think it will be great! Thank you - really appreciate it xx Andrea (school rep)

Thank you so much for continuing to plan a Patina event for our year 6’s. We all appreciate this greatly. Parent

That sounds (reads!) like a very intelligent adaptation of the project, and I cannot see any objection to the grant being used to support it. Steve Brigden, Lewes Town Council Clerk

I am really impressed with all that has been done to adapt the project. Ruth O’Keeffe, Lewes Town, District and County Councillor

Thanks so much for trying to make this happen. Looking forward to finding a way with the incredibly important Patina x Antonia (parent)

Thanks Caroline and Sophie for your holding xxx Julia

Thank you for your continued commitment to our children x Zoey Whiteman

Yes, thank you so much for everything Hannah Pilfold xx

Just loving these posts....these figures are just brilliant!! They really have come up with some amazing work...brightens up my day. They used to parade right past my window when I lived in Lewes and it was one of the highlights of the year.....but this has been almost as good! Cheers Adrienne, Lewes resident

Thank you all your hard work we all really appreciate it. Holly, parent

Thank you for trying to make this year as special as possible for the children - a huge challenge for all involved, but it's great that it's still being marked despite all the obstacles Kind regards,

Corinne. (parent)

Thank you for all your hard work in making this Moving On happen for our Year 6’s. Best wishes
Jo (parent)

Thank you so much!! Although between you and me have you ever noticed how much Doc Brown looks like Karl Lagerfield?! Thank you for everything you’re doing!

Roman’s mum

Hi Nikki. We appreciate all of your hard work and enthusiasm! Thanks, Alison

We all had so much fun doing it especially Luca! Thank you so much for being I&K artist esp at this time with everything going on do really appreciate!! Claire and Luca xx

Dear Caroline and team,

Thank you for all your hard work to make Patina happen for our 2020 kids! The first 2 pods of Wallands had a brilliant parade on the fields yesterday.  A personal thank you too from the Weetman family. Emily had a fantastic day, loved the dressing up, the parading and the dance routine. Thank you for all you are doing. Daniela and family x

Thank you for all you are doing for the children Xx Chloe

Thank you Patina crew for all the positive support and ideas to help the kids feel like they haven't been forgotten! What a strange way to finish primary. But they had fun and they got to be together one last time at Wallands.

Thank you for facilitating the visit of the Town Crier last Friday: it was a lovely experience and really captured the spirit of the Moving On parade.

Jonathon Hughes

Plumpton

Hi Caroline and Sophie,

Just wanted to thank you for such fantastic work. The videos are brilliantly put together - great stuff! All your efforts have really made such a difference.

We had a really great time at the Hamsey school field on Friday - the parents were invited to come for a few hours to picnic, speeches and kids parade across the field.

Definitely everyone made the best out of a difficult situation and  I think the children really felt they had a great celebration. Thank you!!!

Karin

Hi Caroline and Sophie

What marvellous videos you have coordinated / created! And some of the children’s avatars and scenes were so inventive and beautifully executed with thought and humour!

I worked with Debby - the head, and Jeannette - the year 6 teacher to create a memorable event for the Annan kids. They all dressed up in different eras, brought in their avatars, did their own parade, and did Ginny’s dance and had a bbq! Well done to get to the end of a very unusual year.

Lots of love

Julia

Gorgeous to see your bros Jamie and Tom (and you!) in the avatar film, Sophs! Amazing work, you and Caroline, massive congrats

Sophie I (Parent rep)

The films are totally amazing. Incredible effort. Antonia

Hey Caroline and Sophie. Just want to congratulate you on PATINA 2020. It was brilliant! I loved seeing all the avatars. Such creativity and humour. The film looked brilliant. Well done you two for keeping it all going in such difficult circumstances. what fabulous women you are Xx

Maia (Patina artist)

Yes Thank you to you all for making this happen and be special for all the kids involved!

The films are  brilliant!

Sandrine (Patina artist)

Thank you, both of you, for making PATINA such an enjoyable experience, even though it stretched my skill set, and putting in SO MUCH hard work to make it special for the children.

Sally (Patina artist)

Well done! Looks amazing, lovely to see so many fabulous puppets. There were some brilliant examples. Looking forward to seeing them in the exhibition.

Paul (Patina artist)

Feedback from children and adults during image collection and avatar making process:

* I am very excited about our theme and can’t wait to start making!
* Lucas really enjoyed making his avatar
* Josh made his Viking (apparently called Trieraiche) out of a cushion cover and old slipper. He cut out and sewed (then stapled!) the body and made it from scratch
* Thank you again for all you are doing and I hope you are all keeping well!
* We are very excited
* Thank you again for all your hard work.
* Attached is Freddie Ives’s 10-second Avatar video, and a photo. He has made a Victorian Showman with super-tall top hat, whiskers and a monocle!  Freddie worked hard on the video, and even managed to add some music. We have both enjoyed this task!
* Thanks for all your efforts enabling Patina to continue
* Thank you for all of your work.
* He really enjoyed making it.
* From Ruth Beresford teacher: We all loved your video so much- your models are amazing and so inspiring! Thank you!
* He had a lot of fun making it, a little help of course, but it is all his own design and direction.
* Thank you very much for putting this all together and look forward to seeing the virtual parade!
* Thanks so much for still making this Patina an exciting one to remember. She’s loved doing this - thank you!
* Many thanks for organising all of this!
* Thanks you for your lovely video talking is through the design process!
* Thank you so much for putting together designs for patina
* Here is our avatar….A lot of fun to make! Thanks Mary for all your hard work!
* We all had so much fun doing it esp L! Thank you so much for being I&K artist esp at this time with everything going on do really appreciate!!
* How are you all? I thought you did a great job with the Patina videos and showing us how to make the Avatar.
* Here is Sonny’s 1960s avatar made from plasticine, which he then had fun with making a little animation. Just to also thank you all for all of your efforts in making this unusual patina, one which everyone can still participate in and be memorable in some way.
* We have made our avatar and love him!
* Many thanks for everything you are doing to make Patina 2020 still special, you’re a star!
* Thanks for the feedback - she really enjoyed making it.
* Thank you so much for organising
* Alfie really loved designing his avatar and made it with help from his dad Malcolm. We filmed it together using our Lewes Map as a backdrop. We can't wait to see the Patina video.
* Oh, and thank you for trying to make this year as special as possible for the children - a huge challenge for all involved, but it's great that it's still being marked despite all the obstacles :)
* Thank you for your video of the ‘big reveal’. You had such a lovely way of connecting with the children.Thank you for all your hard work in making this Moving On happen for our Year 6’s
* Thank you for everything you’re doing!
* We have had enormous fun with this. Emilia has made her avatar, clothes and accessories and the family have had a brilliant 80s soundtrack for the last couple of weeks (and a lot of reminiscing by Mum and Dad). She liked this track with the message of “we’ll always be together” (it narrowly beat Wake Me Up Before you Go Go).Not the real parade but it’s been a heap of creative fun....
* Thanks so much for the lovely video - S is really looking forward to working with you. Here’s his idea AND then He has really enjoyed making it!
* We appreciate all of your hard work and enthusiasm!

Hi Caroline - I hope you are all well. Congratulations on all the Patina ‘celebrations’ - I think it was all amazing! Thank you for all your efforts in such difficult times! Kerry, Ringmer Primary

Thank you Patina crew for all the positive support and ideas to help the kids feel like they haven't been forgotten! What a strange way to finish primary. But they had fun and they got to be together one last time at Wallands. Anna

Thanks again, the whole production was fabulous.

Best wishes,

Anya

In the midst of so much broader loss and grief, Patina’s focus on children leaving primary schools experience has been a source of such support.

Sinead

My contact lenses are playing up. Sniff. Lewes residentX

Hi Caroline and Sophie,

We’re all so appreciative of all the work you guys have put it to trying to make it happen.

Thanks again for being so amazing! Hope you're enjoying a bit of a rest! Andrea and co.!

**Feedback on Patina initiative to send messages from children in and around Lewes to the children of our twin towns whilst all were in lockdown.**

Hi Caroline

It’s a wonderful idea and thank you for making it happen!

Holly xx

You really made Tino's day with your email Caroline. He is completely star struck that the leading lady behind Patina, who he also cycled past today (!),  has replied personally to him. Thank you.

Hamsey Year 6's have decided to share their pictures with each other too to lift spirits, so hopefully that will raise a few smiles and also jog a few people's memories into sending something to you.

Thanks and well done Tamsyn

Please find a positive picture for the Patina twin towns, from Jacob Short at Barcombe school. This is a really lovely idea.

Thank you

Emma Short

Thanks too for the thoughtful and inventive way you are keeping Patina alive in the lockdown. Jane

Here is Freya's message for Blois and Waldshut-Tiengen children...she and I have both learnt something today, like where W-T is in Germany!! ;)

Thanks for organising this lovely initiative,  hope you are both doing ok. (parent)

I am very much aware of the good work you do with the Children of Lewes and applaud all that you do. I must admit I was unaware of the activities you have done with children from our Twin Town's, it is good that you are introducing children to the concept of Twinning.

I think your idea of exchanging messages and happy pictures with children from Blois and Waldshut-Tiengen is an excellent idea, in these troubled times we need some good news and I think this would be a wonderful way to spread some happiness between our Towns. I have been looking for a way's to involve children and youngsters in Twinning and this would be a step in the right direction despite the circumstances.

This idea of yours would certainly have my full support and I would be pleased to assist in any way that I can

Paul Mockford