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Dear You,

The COVID-19 lockdown situation seems to be developing into the making of me as a teacher. I find myself inspired, waking up in the middle of the night, not in an anxious way but in an excited way with idea after idea of new curriculum I can develop now that my students are no longer in the classroom. I wasn't really in a rut as a teacher but I had gotten comfortable, repeating ideas, good ideas, and leading the students through projects. But now I feel energised - and really really lucky to be in the position I find myself. My saxophone teacher was laid off from his day job a week ago. He's got four weeks' worth of cash then doesn't know what he'll do. I'm hoping to keep my saxophone lessons going over skype so I can at least give him some cash while the lockdown continues, and to be honest I am totally energised and excited by the prospect of skype sax lessons - at this point. The lines at Centrelink on t.v. yesterday were truly scary though. Somehow I find myself in the position of being a teacher through this and I am still being paid. First official day

of the shutdown I am taking the students on an excursion to the Louvre in Paris to take the Beyoncé and JAY-Z thematic visitor trail. And then on Tuesday we are heading to St Petersburg for a virtual tour of The Hermitage. I've got plans for a range of projects inspired by short stories and then on to a unit inspired by music. And working with food on a printmaking project, and only using materials they have at their disposal inside the house. It was only last week that I thought we were going to be shut down for two weeks - one week either side of the school holidays, and then Scott Morrison mentioned September in his press conference last week and today I heard the D word mentioned for the first time - December!!! My vow is that I will master the circle of 5ths while in isolation and get my five track saxophone E.P. completed and continue with my long form YOV and get fit and read lots and survive until December.

I'll speak to you again soon.
From Luke