helped out by donating their unused canvases and other supplies.

"I got pretty bored," said Brysen noting he not only "loves" painting but doing it has somewhat of a "calming" effect and it also helps keep him focused. "It wasn't too bad the first time [March 2020] but I like school."

One of his favourite subjects is cars, but he especially likes waves.

"When I think about waves; they're always moving and soothing," said Brysen.

Recently, Brysen decided to start selling his original works of art as a way of earning money to help others. He's already sold several and would like to donate the funds to A Place Called Home or maybe the Kawartha Lakes Food Source.

"It makes me happy that others want to help me out and support what I'm doing," said Brysen.

His teacher, Bridget Kelley, is very proud of the youngster adding "the whole class is encouraging him to keep going."

"Others in my class have done similar things when it's their birthday etcetera, asking for donations to the food bank or humane society, for example. Kids often lead the way, don't they?" added Kelley.

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Brysen looks forward to continuing his painting 'career' long after the pandemic rights itself.

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