

Home Learning – Class 5

Dear Parents/Carers

In order to provide a continued Education for your child during this unsettling period, I have put together a list of activities and projects for your child to complete.

Many of these activities will be based on key skills as these are vital to your child's continued learning. I will use the class blog as a means of communicating with you and plan to upload daily posts. I will set 2dos on Purple Mash so that your children can still be provided

Core Subject Activities to complete

GPS	<p>Spelling Please ensure your child can spell most/all the year 5/6 words from the National Curriculum spelling list I gave out in September – we will be testing these vigorously when we are back. Please also look at spelling tasks I set on Purple Mash where I have set up a list of useful spelling games and activities which will help your child spell common exception words and in particular words that do not follow spelling rules. Let me know how your child gets on through email or the blog. Year 6 please also use the SATs booklets you have ordered to complete spelling tests and learn words you spell incorrectly.</p> <p>Grammar and Punctuation Please look at the blog to find activities and question sheets. You might not be able to print off the work but you should be able to be read on a device and answer questions at home. Finally, work on SATs booklets that you have purchased from school.</p>
Reading	<p>Please continue to read, read and read. Please discuss books your child is reading and look for common themes between these. Also please check the blog for reading comprehension tasks/questions that are to be completed at home. Finally www.dkfindout.com is a child friendly encyclopaedia with lots of very interesting topics Once again Year 6 please use the SATs booklet if you have them to answer comprehension questions.</p>
Writing	<p>Please use www.pobble365.com to access photographs that we have used sometimes in class. The site has some fantastic pictures, story starts and questions to consider. Please choose a picture your child likes, or just use the daily picture, and write away – it can be any genre or text type! There will also be specific writing tasks uploaded to the blog for children to complete at home. Please feel free to send me their writing to the email address provided so I can keep a track on children who have taken time to complete the work set. Finally, I think it would be hugely interesting if children kept a daily diary of their time at home, reporting on events in the news as well as at home and how it makes them feel. It could be something amazing it look back on in later years.</p>
Maths	<p>Allow your child to spend some time each day practising their times tables. Games can be found on timetables rockstars and also on purple mash to improve basic skills. There will be numerous activity sheets and exercises put onto the blog for your child to complete at home. Again Year 6 please use the SATs booklets to keep on top of your maths knowledge alongside the work that is set on the blog. Finally www.topmarks.co.uk is also a useful website covering all aspects of maths. Money, time and measures are always useful things to work on at home in a practical way.</p>

Please feel free to send me all completed work (I will send answer sheets attached for some of the work) to the email address below. I will keep copies of completed work to monitor your child's learning at home. Or if emailing is too time consuming then keep a booklet of completed and marked work which can be handed in when we re-open.

Foundation Subjects

Science	<p>This half term, we are looking at Space: Could your child set up an experiment to test and find out what happens to the length of a shadow during the daylight hours. This can be presented however they like: through pictures, diagrams and explanations of their results. I am really interested to see how they apply their science skills!</p> <p>Finally, I would like the children to research and present an information text of 2 or 3 important space missions from recent history. They can display their information however they like and be as creative as they want.</p> <p>After the success of Science Week, your child may also be interested in other science topics and experiments. www.crestawards.org https://naturedetectives.woodlandtrust.org.uk/naturedetectives https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/about-blue-peter-badges may be useful sites to explore.</p>
Computing	<p>Please use purple mash to access elements of the computing curriculum. I will continue to set 2dos but feel free to access anything.</p>

Theme Specific Project

As you are aware, our theme this term is The Final Frontier and we have had a fab time finding about everything linked to Space.

To link to this, I thought it would be good to set a little challenge that the children can do as little or as much as they wish...

Design a holiday brochure for a trip to an unknown planet

Suggested pages could include,

- - Information on the 'ship' that will take you there
- - The name of the planet you will visit
- - What the planet is like?
 - the terrain of the planet
 - the climate
 - the atmosphere etc...
- - A description of an 'extra-terrestrial' life on the planet
- - Information about where the holiday makers will stay (the space hotel), food they will eat and any excursions that they will go on
- - Prices for the holiday

Please feel free to be as creative as you like. I'm looking forward to seeing where I might be able to go on holiday!

I have also set up an email address, which I will check each day. Please email with anything urgent and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

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I hope this goes some way to help to keep some routine and stability for the children. Please stay safe and I hope to see you soon.

Mr Barnes