

Dear Parents,

As a result of the new Government advice, we have put together some ideas for a range of activities that can be completed at home if your child has to self-isolate.

The activities can obviously not replace face to face teaching- they are aimed at providing an opportunity for children to keep their brains busy whilst they are absent from school or waiting on test results.

The following are suggestions suitable for any age or ability. If your child needs to be absent for a longer period of time then staff will create more bespoke programmes of work for each year group, covering the topics and units of work which would be completed at school at that time.

READING



- Read daily to an adult at home. Discuss the characters, setting and plot. Remember to practice adding expression when you read and take note of the punctuation.
- Write a book review for your current reading book or your favourite book.
- Create a new cover for your favourite book- fold a piece of paper in half so that you can do an illustration and also a blurb.
- Write a reading comprehension quiz for other children to do, based on a chapter or section of the book you are reading. Write the answers yourself too, including what you would expect others to add in them.

WRITING

- Create a leaflet to give to parents who are interested in bringing their children to our school. Think about how to set it out and the kind of information you could include. Make it eye catching and easy to read. Fold your paper to make it a proper leaflet we could actually use.



- Watch a film and then write your own version of the story. Try hard to be descriptive and use a range of brilliant vocabulary. Try hard to include the correct punctuation so that your sentences make sense. You could publish it by writing it out neatly once you have edited and redrafted it.
- Copy out a section of your reading book or find a poem to copy to practice your handwriting. Perhaps you can decorate your page with a border or illustrations to do with what you have copied.
- Write a letter to a member of your family that you haven't seen this week.

- Can you collect vocabulary lists finding a range of different words to describe talking, walking/running, eating, travelling...think of more...See the example for said in the speech bubble on the right.
- Write a poem about your favourite season- either Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter. Decorate the page with illustrations.
- Design and describe a machine that makes your daily life easier. Perhaps it will help to make your bed, listen to you read?
- Choose an animal of your choice. Think about how it looks, how it moves, how it sounds, the environment it lives in...Can you write a poem about the animal? You could also write a fact file or a story including your chosen animal as a character.
- Design a menu for your perfect dinner! You could create a name for your very own restaurant and then choose some of your favourite dishes to serve for starter, main course and dessert. Yum!



SPELLING

- Learn and practise the spellings on the word lists below, relevant to your year group. Can you write out a sentence with that word in? Can you find other words where the same spelling rules apply? Can you get someone to test you on 5 spellings a day? Keep practising. Can you create your own spelling lists of words you find tricky too?
- Spellings for each year group are on our school website in the class pages.

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1			Year 2			
the	they	one	door	gold	plant	clothes
a	be	once	floor	hold	path	busy
do	he	ask	poor	told	bath	people
to	me	friend	because	every	hour	water
today	she	school	find	great	move	again
of	we	put	kind	break	prove	half
said	no	push	mind	steak	improve	money
says	go	pull	behind	pretty	sure	Mr
are	so	full	child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
were	by	house	children	after	eye	parents
was	my	our	wild	fast	could	Christmas
is	here		climb	last	should	everybody
his	there		most	past	would	even
has	where		only	father	who	
I	love		both	class	whole	
you	come		old	grass	any	
your	some		cold	pass	many	



** Year 3 and 4 Word List **

Use this list for **ideas** and to **check** your spelling!

accident	century	experiment	interest	particular	remember
accidentally	certain	extreme	island	peculiar	sentence
actual	circle	famous	knowledge	perhaps	separate
actually	complete	favourite	learn	popular	special
address	consider	February	length	position	straight
answer	continue	forward(s)	library	possess	strange
appear	decide	fruit	material	possession	strength
arrive	describe	grammar	medicine	possible	suppose
believe	different	group	mention	potatoes	surprise
bicycle	difficult	guard	minute	pressure	therefore
breath	disappear	guide	natural	probably	though
breathe	early	heard	naughty	promise	(although)
build	earth	heart	notice	purpose	thought
busy	eight	height	occasion	quarter	through
business	eighth	history	occasionally	question	various
calendar	enough	imagine	often	recent	weight
caught	exercise	increase	opposite	regular	woman
centre	experience	important	ordinary	reign	women

New Curriculum Spelling List Years 5 and 6

accommodate	communicate	equip	immediately	physical	sincerely
accompany	community	equipped	individual	prejudice	soldier
according	competition	equipment	interfere	privilege	stomach
achieve	conscience	especially	interrupt	profession	sufficient
aggressive	conscious	exaggerate	language	programme	suggest
amateur	controversy	excellent	leisure	pronunciation	symbol
ancient	convenience	existence	lightning	queue	system
apparent	correspond	explanation	marvellous	recognise	temperature
appreciate	criticise	familiar	mischievous	recommend	thorough
attached	curiosity	foreign	muscle	relevant	twelfth
available	definite	forty	necessary	restaurant	variety
average	desperate	frequently	neighbour	rhyme	vegetable
awkward	determined	government	nuisance	rhythm	vehicle
bargain	develop	guarantee	occupy	sacrifice	yacht
bruise	dictionary	harass	occur	secretary	
category	disastrous	hindrance	opportunity	shoulder	
cemetery	embarrass	identity	parliament	signature	
committee	environment	immediate	persuade	sincere	

MATHS

- Practice times tables. Play quick fire games with other siblings and adults. Play on Hit the Button - focus on number bonds and halves, doubles too. <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- Complete activities on My Maths and Times Tables Rockstars.
- Add totals of the weekly shopping list or some work around money. Use real money to aid the children's understanding.
- Practise telling the time.
- Use the links in the general section below to access more maths games.



TOPIC

The topics covered by each year group are outlined in the table below. Ideas for learning:

- Create a poster or a fact sheet about your topic. You could choose a particular aspect of the topic or you could do lots of different facts. Add illustrations too.
- Write a quiz about your topic that you get other children in your class to do. (You could actually do this for all subjects to test their knowledge.) Don't forget to write down the answers too!
- Imagine you were a news reporter. Can you think about something that might be/ have been in the news about your topic and write the report? You could read it out loud and even record yourself if you can!

Year 1	People who have made our lives better (Christopher Columbus, The Wright brothers, Ada Lovelace)
Year 2	British Isles (capital cities and key locations)
Year 3	From Stones to Steel (Stone age, Bronze age and Iron age)
Year 4	Behind Enemy Lines (WW1)
Year 5	Behind Enemy Lines (WW1)
Year 6	We Shall Never Surrender

ART

- Research a famous artist, create a biography of their life in an interesting and fun way.
- Create some artwork in the style of the chosen artist- use paint, coloured crayons, collage, felt tips, chalk, pastels or whatever else you have at home to make it bright and colourful...
- Draw a portrait of a family member.
- Find something in your garden that you could draw...a leaf, a flower, a tree...look carefully at the detail and try to do a close up (see example).



KEEPING FIT

- Have fun doing some family workouts using Gonoodle. <https://www.gonoodle.com/>
- Search Cosmic Kids Yoga on Youtube and do these together...or on your own.
- Joe Wicks, The Body Coach, also has great kid's workouts on Youtube to help you to stay active whilst in the home.

GENERAL

- Learn the capital city of every country in Europe. Could you do this for other continents or the whole world? Could you also learn what each country's flag looks like?
- Access the activities on: <http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/> -There are sections for all areas of the curriculum and registration is not required.
- BBC Bitesize has lots of information, games and videos to watch about all subjects. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>
- Twinkl are offering free online resources for children and parents so that the children can access more online learning. You need to sign in with an email address but add the following offer code and you should not be charged. Use the link and code below.

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<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer>

We hope that this will help as a starting point for you and your children.