

Daily update - March 25th - 'working from home'

Dear Parents and Children,

Less content today as you had quite a lot yesterday. All of the ideas given can be adapted for all age groups. I am also forwarding tweets from our **Twitter account (@MadleyPrimarySc)** if you are Twitter and following us we are happy to see your work or videos through that platform (if parents set it up as you have to be 13!).

- **Scavenger hunt ideas** (indoor or outdoors) - adults set the rules so you don't end up with anything broken and blame me ! Find things that fit the criteria given - **'something twisted'** **'something that is useful'** **'something with a hole in it'**

Why not write your own scavenger hunt for your family (one could be indoors when the weather changes and one outdoors). You could adapt it for language - 'how many words can you find on things in the house ?' 'how many words can you find that begin with 'a' or another letter ?' 'how many words can you find on food packets that contain the 'ou' sound ? Ultimate challenge - find words in your house/garden on packets or anywhere that go through the whole alphabet from to z !!

I will give more ideas for scavenger hunts as we progress.

- **Dance challenge** - we want to dance our way through this ! You may have seen the NHS staff dancing to Olly Muirs (if you haven't then look it up on You Tube). choose a suitable uplifting song and devise a dance. You can share these on Twitter if your parents allow you.

- **Slightly boring but necessary =**

Times tables practise/counting practise (depending on your child's age) - 10 minutes a day. If your child is pretty quick with all of their time tables then they can do it backwards, at speed, write them on cards and make it challenging

Handwriting practise - 10 minutes a day - on paper/in sand/on water/using different pencils and pens/in mud/using mud on paper - it is the fine and big motor skills as well as the flow. From Year 4 we should be practising our joined writing to increase speed as well.

Spelling practise - 10 minutes - either Spelling Shed AND written as well - make it a game (Countdown etc).

- Good link for some reading material from Miss Freeman (you might need to trawl through a bit as some of it is a bit American) -

<https://www.audible.com/about/newsroom/stories-help-audible-stories-lets-anyone-anywhere-listen-for-free>

All of the above are ideas for you, you don't have to use them if you have alternatives or you are still working your way through other 'bits and pieces' from the teacher's curriculum updates.

Take care

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