

WFH - March 30th

Hello all,

Hope everyone is well and you had a weekend 'off.' Easter holidays at the end of this week so we will give lots of ideas over this week of things to do that aren't too 'schoolly' (may not even be a word but it is now) and will keep your mind and body active. Hopefully you have a routine established as this will help both now and in the future. Please think about your child's screen time for both work and pleasure.

Hopefully you are enjoying spending time with your children and finding out new things about each other as well as doing things you may not have had the time to do before.

The teachers have (or will be) posted new curriculum updates on the website with ideas and some short burst ideas (I will add another one below). Lots of the ideas and links below are either age specific or you can adapt them for different ages.

Writing ideas

Weekly short burst - I have attached a photo to discuss and write about. It could be a story of the 'tired fox' or it could be a poem or it could be a script from the perspective of a wild life programme producer (with you as David Attenborough doing a voice over - you may go on to record it). You could illustrate your story and make a book to share on our return to school.

Letter writing (the most powerful form of writing is now a hand written letter) - write a letter to say 'thank you' to someone or to a relative.

Drama - @DramaGeezers on Twitter have some excellent daily sessions. Keep the mind active and use your imagination.

Science ideas

<https://www.stem.org.uk> - lots of new ideas for home learning for Science, Engineering etc.

'Honda advert' challenge - cause and effect - please see previous e-mails.

Paper aeroplane challenge - combine it with 'words of kindness and/or hope' then make it into a paper aeroplane. Experiment with cardboard from your recycling pile or other materials.

Spelling practise

- Spelling Shed for 20 minutes a day.

- Last week we tried the Countdown challenge with letters and some shared their learning on Twitter (they then had the extra challenge of inventing some words and meanings - some excellent examples). Your letters this week are:

p r e b b n i n f f s x z a a l w r g e o i o p g

Longest word

Most words

Invent some words and meanings

Alphabet challenge (real or made up words) from a to z - either together or in competition.

Maths

- Counting practise (any age forwards and backwards).
- Times table practise (verbal and written).
- Calculation practise (not 'sums' as sum is addition) - give each other calculations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) depending on the age of your child. Children need apparatus or a piece of paper to visualise what they are doing (teachers may have put some examples of photographs on their updates).

Art

Photography - if you are allowed take some photographs of household or garden objects from unusual angles.

Music

- music is really important to our mental health and can help to set a mood. What is your families top 10 songs to get through the current situation ?
- make some music using everyday household items (pots and pans) with an adult's permission. Don't break or damage anything !

Encore Music Service (who lead our Ukele lessons in school have also developed some home learning music activities:

www.encore-enterprises.com/musicresourcesforlearningathome

Alternative ideas (if you have the equipment, space and permission)

'Camp out or in !' - some children have been 'wild camping' in their garden ! You could also 'wild camp' somewhere in your house (safely and with your parent's permission). Make your house or garden into an adventure then either record it on video with a voice over or write a book of instructions about 'wild camping' indoors or in your garden. Share your adventures with us.

Share your work if you wish:

admin@madley.hereford.sch.uk or post (with permission) on Twitter @MadleyPrimarySc

If you are struggling or self isolating and need help with anything then please e-mail and we will try and get some support for you.

Take care

Mr Batstone

Attachments

[Celebrity timetable.jpg](#)

[PE idea.jpg](#)

[Fox short burst.jpg](#)