**COVID-19 SCHOOL CLOSURE**

**Home Learning Year 6 Week 1**

**The following 3-page blog of information is intended to help you with helping your child continue to learn at home. The blog will be updated once-a-week with any new information, including new learning opportunities. Thank you for your support.**

**ENGLISH TASKS**

**READING**

* **‘READ THEORY’** <https://readtheory.org/auth/login>

**Keep playing**

* **WONDER- finish the book**
* **New book: The Explorer- read the whole book**
* **Library book- read your library book**
* **CGP 10 minute test books- use as much/often as you like**
* <http://www.thatboycanteach.co.uk/search/label/SATs>

This is a blog page from a very well-respected teacher called Aidan Severs. He’s made some great reading booklets to download.

**SPaG**

* **SPaG.com** <https://www.spag.com/> - I will set new tasks frequently. Use your booklets to help you
* **Spelling Shed** <https://play.spellingshed.com/#/login>

Practise all the starred games and learn/revise the remaining Y5/6 statutory key words AND the Year 3/4 key words

* **CGP English book –** work away at these at your leisure
* Play **SPaG tag**

**WRITING**

* Use your Home Learning Journals to write about images from the brilliant website, **Pobble365**

<http://www.pobble365.com/>

This is a great site to practise writing as much as you like. But practise your proof-reading, especially looking for spelling and punctuation errors.

* **Start a dairy** of your experiences throughout this unprecedented time. Those in Year 6 for the last two days, saw the diary that my children have started writing (a little Anne Frank like- who we have studied). It’s a great idea for many reasons. This is a historic moment that, in years to come, will be studied and discussed in great depth. We’d all rather not be living it, but Year 6 liked the idea of documenting their days ‘off school’, living through the pandemic. Year 6 were given a new book to record their diary entries- let me know if somehow we can get one to you.

**MATHS TASKS**

* **TT Rockstars:** JUST PLAY! ALL TABLES. <https://ttrockstars.com/login>
* **Corbett maths 5-a-day** <https://corbettmathsprimary.com/5-a-day/> These are perfect for that little-and-often.
* **CGP Maths books**: you have two books- the one you’ve been taking home and the one we use in class. Use them as you wish.
* **Mathsisfun**- a great website with lots of information on <https://www.mathsisfun.com/>
* **Third Space Learning**- see the separate blog links for these great resources to use in maths. They, too, will be updated weekly. Brilliant for practising your arithmetic fluency and your problem solving and reasoning.

**TOPIC**

I will upload a new topic activity each week, linked to what we have been doing, or perhaps something we would have done in school. Here are a couple of things for now…

* **Greek Flatbread Challenge**- use the DT sheet to plan and make a Greek flatbread. Take a photo of you doing it so we can stick it in. I’ll upload the template sheet for those not in.
* **Art** - use your sketch books to research and draw aspects of Greek art and architecture. If you have some medium to add colour, please do. Below is a link to a website to use for initial ideas, but it would be great if, in your sketchbooks, you created a portfolio of artwork that showcased your learning about the following aspects of Ancient Greek art and architecture:
* Greek pottery (tiles/vases)
* Greek sculpture
* Greek architecture (buildings/columns etc

<https://www.ducksters.com/history/art/ancient_greek_art.php>

**WHAT ELSE CAN I DO/USE?**

**We spoke today about the cancellation of SATs. I made a passionate case for all of Year 6 to remain motivated to carry on learning. They cannot afford to let their brains ‘turn to mush’ (Grace’s words!) Who knows when we are to return? Will it be my Teacher Assessment of the children that passes on to their high schools? So many unknowns at the moment. Everyone agreed a brilliant idea would be to create a daily timetable of how days might be structured. This is something I’m doing with my family; when I’ve got an electronic template set-up, I’ll post it to the blog to download.**

* **Twinkl-** this link is BRILLIANT. You may already have heard that twinkl have opened up their website for FREE use during this time. There is absolutely loads on here, perfect for every aspect of the curriculum. I’ll post more details on this and signpost you to specific places I feel would be of benefit. Let me know if you need any assistance.

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/keystage2-ks2/ks2-class-management/school-closure-home-learning-classroom-management-key-stage-2-year-3-4-5-6>

* **World Book Online** has just made their fabulous collection of over 3000 ebooks and audiobooks available for free for children to access at home. Click on the following link to set up access to them all.

<https://www.worldbook.com/wbblog/covidsupport>

**KEEP ACTIVE!!!**

* **Keep active**- see the separate blog posts about activities to do at home to keep fit and energised.
* **Joe Wicks** has said that every day (Mon-Fri) at 9am on his You Tube channel, he will be **running a fitness session** for 30 minutes. What a brilliant way to start the day! Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYlRfn6rYQ>

Thank you.