

Year one

As our school is now closed, we would really like it if you could encourage your child to continue their learning at home. Here are some suggestions that you may wish to look at for some of our areas of learning

Topic

Our topic next half term is 'Enchanted Woodland'. Here are some ideas of activities that you may wish to complete ready for our learning

Who am I? is a fun way to learn more about animals. Attach the name or a picture of a woodland animal to your child's back. Your child must then ask probing questions to discover which animal they are!

Look at picture cards of British woodland flowers and flowering plants such as bluebell, gorse, bramble, wild strawberry, foxgloves, wild garlic, wood sorrell and buttercups. Read their names, describe, and talk about their features including leaf shapes, petal forms, colours and other features such as thorns, prickles, fruit and scent. Play a game of 'Guess my name', describing to others what they see and giving answers.

Create tiny treats for a tiny tea party to serve to imaginary woodland creatures. Work with an adult to bake mini bramble crumbles and pies, fairy cakes with leaf decorations or chocolate logs with edible flower decorations... perhaps even a gingerbread house?

Explore and read together a range of books and posters about British woodland, then make a joint list of useful words. Write the words on individual cards and when we are back to school, we can display them

Use information books and the web to find out more about their favourite woodland animal. Talk about what they have learned, record their ideas on sticky notes, and then write up as a fact file onto paper to share with their class when we are back to school.

Learn about the work of the Woodland Trust, finding out what they do to protect British woodlands. When we have all found out some information about this organisation, we can send a class email to tell them what they have learned and which trees they have planted.

<https://www.theparkstrust.com/>

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/>

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English

Let's get writing! The children in year one have developed into fantastic authors over the past few months! Can they write a story about their favourite superhero, cartoon or film character? Thinking about:

- The opening
- The build up
- The problem
- The resolution
- The ending

Where will your story take place? Describe the setting using some interesting adjectives. Who will be the main character? What are they like? What will be the problem? How can it be solved?

Remember your 'Fab 5'

1. Use your 'Fred fingers' to count the sounds you can hear in each word if you are not sure of the spelling
2. Capital letters at the beginning of sentences, names and proper nouns
3. Finger spaces between each of your words
4. Punctuation! (. , ! ? "")
5. Check and edit your work! Does it make sense? Can you make it even better? Is your handwriting as neat as it can be?

As we cannot be at school, you may want to support your child to write a letter to their teacher/ friends about what their 'perfect day off'. They may want to tell their friends about a holiday they would like to go on, a place they would like to visit, people they may wish to see... anything! No day can be too extravagant.

Remember to read every day too!

Your child can read to you and you can read to them! We have been enjoying 'chapter books' at school, this may be something you may also want to share at home You may wish to look at the phonics-screening test that took place last year:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/809990/2019_phonics_practice_sheet_standard.pdf

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Maths

This half term, we have been looking at learning all of our number bonds to 10 and 20. It would be amazing if the children could keep practicing these at home.

We are becoming more confident at counting in 10's, 5's and 2's as well. Your child has a unique log in to TT rock stars that can be found in the front of their reading record. There are some fantastic activities on there to develop your child's maths skills.

The 'white rose' website (<https://whiterosemaths.com/>) has prepared a selection of activities for school closures; have a look to see what may challenge your child.

It would be fantastic if you could support your child with completing some addition and subtraction questions, ensuring that they have looked carefully at the question before they begin to solve it!

We have been looking at adding and subtracting numbers to 20.

Here are some other useful websites:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/index.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/primary/zd7p47h>