



## Half Term Curriculum Plan: Home-Learning Letter

Year 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Half Term: June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again, we would like to thank you for your continued support during such challenging times. We hope you have found the learning set on Google Classroom useful and enjoyable. It has been lovely to see the children engaging so well with it over the last few weeks. Here is a brief outline of some of the topics we will be covering in each subject, during Summer 2 Half Term. *Please note that the learning set will be the same for those children in school as for those children distance learning at home (all learning will continue to be set on Google Classroom).*

In **English** we will be focusing on two stories: "Meerkat Mail" and "Lost and Found". We will be writing postcards, making journey maps, retelling a story, writing poems, and discussing the feelings of different characters.

In **Maths** we will be learning about "greater than" and "less than", repeated addition, arrays, telling the time to quarter to and quarter past, ordinal numbers and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

In **RE** we will be learning about Gospel and the concept of "Good News".

In **Science** we will be looking at and comparing different types of animals.

In **Geography** we will be comparing hot and cold places.

In **Computing** we will be learning about coding – giving instructions to an object on a screen.

In **DT** we will be finding out how to make an object that stands up.

In **Music** we will be looking at techniques for singing.

In **PSHE** we will be looking at how we change as we grow up.

### Other useful things to remember:

- **One of the most important things you can do to support your child's learning, is to hear them read on a regular basis.** You can access a wide range of e books by visiting the Oxford Owl website, these books are very similar to the ones we use in school. When your child has read an e book two or three times, they could also carry out the activities linked to the text or use the "Building Reading Skills" question cards sent last half term. Use this link <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk> and the class login details you have been given.
- When reading it is beneficial to ask your child questions about the text as this will support their developing comprehension skills. It is also important for young children to hear stories being read aloud, this could be an adult reading a story to them at home or listening to a story being read online e.g. CBeebies bedtime stories.
- Don't forget **PE with Joe Wicks** is live at 9am every day or you can watch at any time via YouTube.
- Please visit your child's **Class Page**, on our School Website, for further resources and **useful web links**. **Photos** of some of the wonderful learning the children have been doing at home, are also uploaded to class pages on a regular basis.
- **Playing board games, doing puzzles or drawing/colouring** are lovely, calm activities to do with your child and are rich learning experiences in their own right.
- The current crisis is one of uncertainty and difficulty for so many people. Here are a couple of really good websites I would like to share with you; both are an excellent source of

support. They might be of help and answer some of the questions your children might be asking at this time.

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/coronavirus>

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/your-feelings/anxiety-stress-panic/worries-about-the-world/coronavirus/>

Once again, we would like to thank you for your continued support during these difficult times. If you have any questions or concerns, please drop us a note via the class email (y1@stmarysen4.barnetmail.net) and Mrs Beechey or I will get back to you ☺

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