



## KS1 Half Term Curriculum Plan / Home Learning Letter

**Year Two**

**Spring 1<sup>st</sup> Half Term: January 2021**

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

We hope that you had a lovely Christmas break and wish you all a happy New Year.

Whilst school is currently not open to all children, we really look forward to seeing the children's learning online, via Google Classroom.

The table below provides a brief overview of the learning opportunities that the children will have across all subjects this half term. A full curriculum will continue to be provided online, while schools are closed.

Subjects	Focus of Learning
English	We will be looking at the story "The Paper Dolls" by Julia Donaldson, making and describing our own paper dolls and then writing poetry about them. We will also be looking at the story "Here We Are" by Oliver Jeffers and making information booklets about the world. Finally, we will be looking at some information texts about The Great Fire of London. We will be looking at the suffixes -ness and -ment.
Reading	We will continue recapping Phase 5 sounds, Phase 6 spelling patterns and working on our comprehension of unfamiliar texts.
Maths	We will be recapping our understanding of place value and using this to add and subtract. We will also revisit greater than and less than. We will be beginning to find the difference between two numbers by subtracting. We will also be learning to find change from 10p, 20p, £10 and £20. We will revisit 3D shapes and telling the time using quarter past and quarter to.
Science	In this module children begin to learn about different ways to keep themselves healthy. During the module they consider the importance of eating a range of different types of food and the importance of exercise and hygiene.
Computing	We will be looking at coding, how to add a background and a character and give instructions to make it move. We will be looking at using repeat timers and making and debugging a program.
History	We will be learning about The Great Fire of London. We will be looking at the events that led to the fire and understanding how London has since then. We will be learning about life in the 17 <sup>th</sup> Century and writing our own newspaper reports.
PHSCE	We will be discussing our dreams and goals and working out how to achieve a goal as a team.
Art	We will be looking at collagraphs. We will discuss how they work and the effects they create, before creating our own collagraphs.
RE	We will be learning about Islam and why prayer is an important part of the day for Muslims. We will consider how prayer may make a Muslim child feel. We will look at the similarities and differences to Christian prayer.
PE	We will be using online lessons to keep fit with activities like yoga, dancing and ball skills.



## Other useful things to remember:

- Please continue to encourage your child to **read regularly**. You can access online books for your child on the Oxford Owl website <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>. You will need to enter the following details:  
Username: **simkin2**  
Password: **reading**
- It is really helpful if you can take some time to ask your questions about what they have read. This will help to support their developing comprehension skills. It is also beneficial to read aloud to your children.
- **PE with Joe Wicks** can be found on YouTube and other fun websites include Cosmic Kids and Go Noodle.
- You should have login details for the following: **RM easimaths; TT Rockstars; Oddizzi** Geography Resource.
- Please visit your child's **Class Page**, on our School Website, for further resources and **useful web links**.
- **Playing board games, doing puzzles or drawing/colouring** are lovely, calm activities to do with your child.
- 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 our School Office email.

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