



Home Learning



Year 1 Term 5 Week 3

Hello Australia class! I hope you've all had a super week, continuing your home learning with family. I have been so impressed with the amount of home learning that I am seeing on Purple Mash and via email. It is wonderful to see all the effort you are putting in and the quality of what you are doing is really impressive!

Below, I have outlined a range of different activity ideas that you can use next week. There have been a huge amount of resources recently released that have been designed for children specifically in their home learning. I have picked out some of the best in this newsletter but you are welcome to explore the websites and choose activities which you find most interesting and useful. As always, we really encourage the use of Spelling Shed and Numbots/Times Tables Rock Stars to develop your spelling knowledge and times tables recall. Also remember to check out our Facebook group for regular updates!

English

This website has some great resources which are free for home learning. They have an activity for each day of the week so you can pick and choose what works best for you.

<https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/free-home-learning-packs/>

Check out this link. Each day they publish a new picture as a writing stimulus. There are questions and activities linked to the picture for children to complete.

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

BBC Bitesize post daily activities for English, Maths and other subjects. They compile great resources from different organisations and share them on the page below.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zjqqq3/year-1-and-p2-lessons/1>

Remember, with all of these resources, you are not expected to complete *everything*. Have a look as a family at the different activities on offer and plan out your day/week of learning.

Spelling

Head over to <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-l-5155-new-year-1-common-exception-words> and test your current spelling knowledge of our Year 1 words. Ask a family member to read the word and have a go at remembering the spelling and having a go at writing it out. If you get any wrong, don't worry! Just make a note of them and practise them in the week.

Reading

Last Week, you read/watched Cockatoos by Quentin Blake. Hopefully you managed to design a new illustration for the story and you found all of the cockatoos on each page. This week have a go at answering these questions.

Why do you think the cockatoos escaped in the first place?
How do you think Professor Dupont is feeling when he discovers they are missing?
What does the word 'lavatory' mean?
How does Professor Dupont feel when all of his cockatoos return?

Maths

Work through some of these different maths activities over the week. The BBC Bitesize website also has maths resources to explore too.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zjqqq3/year-1-and-p2-lessons/1>

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-1/>

Times tables

Don't forget, Times Tables Rock Stars is an excellent resource for developing your fluency! Numbots is also great to develop fluency with an understanding of number.

We would also like to remind your families that there are a range of different activity ideas on the Robin Hood Multi Academy Trust website –

<https://www.robinhoodmat.co.uk/learning-projects/>

Online Safety

In these unprecedented times it is important for children and adults to consider online safety, particularly as you may be spending more time online completing work from home. In school we often talk about being SMART online (please see the poster below for more information). This week it would be great if you could discuss the SMART points as a family. Maybe you could have a go at creating your own SMART poster. There are also lots of online safety resources on Purple Mash under the 'computing' section. Here are some further links for children and parents which you may find useful.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

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

If you would like more books to explore, head on over to <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page> to find their free e-book library.

Phonics

Head on over to this YouTube channel for some phonics lessons. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP_FbjYUP_UtldV2K_-niWw?fbclid=IwAR3pJlh-rdJX7QhAzhz8EOpAKOOFWQJa8FAvGmczDDslnJN6z3iJz3KIRk

Wellbeing

During this time it is important to consider the wellbeing of your family. If you are worried or upset then please remember to talk to a trusted adult at home about your worries. There are also many trusted adults at school who are here if you need us. You can contact myself or Mrs Mann to discuss anything you are worried about. Your trusted adult can also look at the links below to help with any worries you may have.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/7-ways-to-stay-happy-and-calm-at-home/zhqjjhv>

<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/supporting-your-child-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/>

You could also look at this book which explains coronavirus.

<https://axelscheffler.com/books-for-older-children/coronavirus>

The internet is a brilliant place to learn and explore, just remember to always be **SMART!**

S IS FOR SAFE
Never give out personal information to strangers on the internet. Personal information includes things like your home address and your birthday.

M IS FOR MEET
Never ever meet up with a stranger you have met online unless a parent or guardian has said it is ok and is present. Never, never, never, never, never.

A IS FOR ACCEPTING
Don't open emails from people you don't know, they could contain viruses. If you get a strange email from a friend and you think they might have a virus make sure you let them know!

R IS FOR RELIABLE
Don't believe everything you read online, check your facts! Did you read it on a reliable website like the BBC? Are other websites saying the same thing? Does it tell you where they got the information from?

T IS FOR TELL
If you have an online safety problem, make sure you tell someone. Tell a parent, guardian, or teacher as soon as you can.



Topic



This week, using Purple Mash, why not try and have a go at the '2go' to do, found under the 'to do' tab. This will help you to develop your computing skills and understanding of how to control a computer program.

I would also like you to choose a few activities from this booklet in order to extend and consolidate your knowledge about the Wright brothers.

<https://www.dscl.org/kids/nest-activity-resources/wrightbrothers.pdf>

Gem Power Challenge



Your Gem Power Challenge this week is to use some Diamond power (solving problems). There are some problems that we can solve on our own but it is often easier to get a grown up to do this for us such as leaving your toys on the floor, not doing your home learning or maybe not getting ready for bed time. Why not take some time this week to try and solve your own problems.

Home Learning Star of the Week



A special mention this week has to go to Daniel. He has been incredibly active on Purple Mash and has completed a huge amount of 'to do's' – too many to count. Great work Daniel! Congratulations to Archie and Fenella for keeping up the awesome learning on Ed Shed. You've played the most games this week. Well done to Zachary, Maxwell, Lottie, Ben, Arthur and Ana who have played the most games on Numbots this week, and Maisie and Annabelle for spending the most time on TT Rock Stars. Keep it up everyone!



The Creepy Wood

I went for a walk with my family in the woods the other day. It was wet and dark in the woods. We built a wigwam together. There were creepy noises and we tried to find out where they came from. We followed the sound deep into the woods. The deeper we went the louder the noises became. Even though we were scared, we carried on going. Do you know what we found in the end - a noisy river!

Daniel created this incredible story on Purple Mash. What a brilliant description!

Jayden has been working on some fractions this week. Great work Jayden!



Here is Danny working on his own bridge design based on the Clifton Suspension Bridge. He is hoping to build a model next!

James and Aaron have been busy with Maths this week. They collected snail shells and then used them to help them solve Maths problems.



Fin has been helping Maisie and Isaac to practise their spellings. It looks like you are all using lots of amethyst power. Well done!

Luther has been doing some great learning this week. Here is a picture of the spellings he has been practising.



Fenella had a go at creating a new front cover for the book The Bog Baby. I think you will agree it is brilliantly artistic!

Thank you to everyone who has emailed in home learning. I love receiving pictures of what everyone is up to so please keep sending them in and I will try and add as many as I can to the next newsletter.