



Home Learning



Year 2 Week 7

Hello Africa class! We hope you've all had a great week, playing outside and enjoying the lovely weather we've had. I know some of you may be finding it tricky at the moment because we can't be in school but please remember that it won't be forever. For the time being, we need to concentrate on staying safe and enjoying this time with our family.

Below, we have outlined a range of different activity ideas that you can use next week. We have picked out some of the best resources and ideas in this newsletter but you are welcome to explore the websites and choose activities which you find most interesting and useful. Have a look as a family and pick which ones are best for you. As always, we encourage the use of Spelling Shed, Purple Mash and Numbots/Times Tables Rock Stars.

Also remember to check out our Facebook group for regular updates!

We now have our own class email address for you to use to contact us directly. Send in your photos and home learning to africaclass@gmail.org.uk

English

This week, head over to <https://www.literacyshedplus.com/en-gb/resource/the-lighthouse-ks1-activity-pack> and have a go at some writing activities based on the short animation - 'The Lighthouse'.

This website also 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/>

BBC Bitesize post daily activities for English which you may also find useful. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/z7s22sg/year-2-and-p3-lessons/1>

Finally, head over to https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1fasikbcQIaEx#WVJYcV_KjDIc-Ihghh and complete some of the activities listed for each day of the week.

Spelling

For spelling this week, we would like you to practise spelling the days of the week and the months of the year. You could use any of the strategies we've already explored or you can try something new! Why not write the days of the week and months in bubble writing, or even as graffiti?!



Reading

Maths

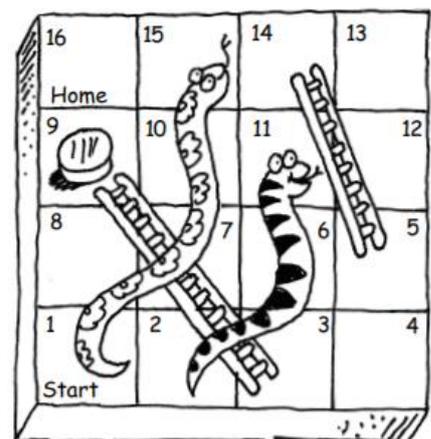
This week it would be great if you could look at the BBC Bitesize home learning pages and work through some of the different maths activities on there.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/z7s22sg/year-2-and-p3-lessons/1>

Visit this website and work through the different maths workbooks for each day. We have learnt about arrays, venn diagrams and 2d shapes in class but it will be good to refresh your knowledge and show off to your parents!

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1pwki8VJswG9RBDgpXk87FbNOzWgJOWBF>

Snakes and ladders



Your counter is on 9.

You roll a 1 to 6 dice.

After two moves you land on 16.

Find all the different ways you can do it.

Now think of other questions you could ask.

Last week, we asked you to read Chapter 5 of *Hodgeheg*. Below are some questions for you to work through to test your understanding of what you've read! In readiness for next week, read Chapter 6 in your own time ☺



What did Max do when he reached the other side of the road?



What does 'conclusion' mean?
What does 'curiously' mean?



What is a bandstand? What is it used for?



Can you create a story map to represent this chapter? Draw pictures illustrating what happens and include the odd keyword to help you retell it to your family.



What happened to Max in the final paragraph of the chapter?

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.

You can also head over to <https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses>. Every day, David Walliams is reading an extract of one of his books that you can listen along to.

Phonics

Head on over to this YouTube channel if you'd like to recap on your phonics/spelling skills!
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP_FbjYUP_UtldV2K_-niWw?fbclid=IwAR3plfh-rdJX7QhAzhz8EOpAKOOFWQJa8FAvGmczDDslnJN6z3iJz3KIRk

Birds' eggs

You may need 19 counters.



Three birds laid some eggs.
Each bird laid an odd number of eggs.
Altogether they laid 19 eggs.

How many eggs did each bird lay?
Find different ways to do it.

You could also have a go at developing your ability to count money and give the correct change. Head over to <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/money> and have a go at the different games. Once you've done that, could you role play at home by creating a shop and selling different items to members of your family? You will need to calculate how much their items cost and then give them the correct change in return!

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.

Topic



This term we are focussing on building our geographical understanding by exploring human geography. Human geography looks at the things that humans have built and interact with in their environment. Think about your local area, maybe consider these features on a walk. Which of the features can you find in your local area? What are they used for in your area? How were they built and what materials were used to create them?

You could create a list of all the human geographical features you can spot and label them with the materials they are made from. Discuss with your family the words/features you are unsure of. Find out what they are used for and where you might find them.

Below is a link which has more activities and ideas linked to human geography.
<https://www.rgs.org/CMSPages/GetFile.aspx?nodeguid=2513da77-344d-422f-9b43-7791fad45a36&lang=en-GB>

Gem Power Challenge



Next week we would like you to put all your learning gem skills to the challenge and think of a time when you were really determined to do something and you were successful.

Think about what it was that you wanted to achieve and why you wanted to do it. Had someone inspired you? Did someone challenge you? Did you think you would do it?

Can you discuss with a grown up what you had to do and talk about anything that got in your way. How did you cope? Were there times when you gave up? What made you carry on?

When you achieved your goal, how did you feel? Will you be able to use this feeling to make you challenge yourself in the future? How?

We call this 'grit', determination or when someone has 'fire in their belly' because they want to achieve their goal and they will not give up. (lots of Emerald power traits).

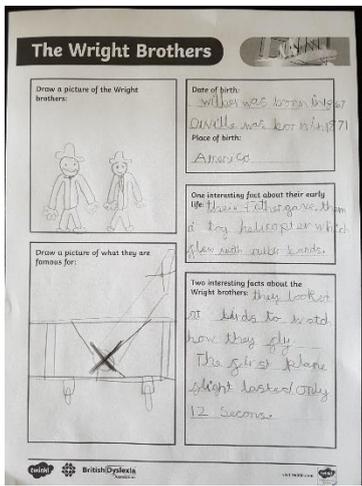
Here are some of the things that have been happening at home this week.



Leo has been busy creating his own multiplication snake's and ladders board game! It is absolutely fantastic and we're sure he'll have many fun games playing with his family!

Bodhi had a go at drawing his own character and making an animation on his tablet. Super skills Bodhi!





Caiden has continued his super learning about the Wright brothers! He researched the brothers and then used his new knowledge to answer some questions about them. Great job Caiden!

Adelaide built on her geography understanding by completing this giant puzzle of the UK! It must have taken her hours! Great job Adelaide!



Thank you to everyone who has emailed in home learning. We love receiving pictures of what everyone is up to so please keep sending them in and we will try and add as many as we can to the next newsletter. You can now send them to our new class email address africaclass@gmail.org.uk.