

Year 1 Week 6

Hello Australia class! I hope you've all had a super week. It has been so lovely to talk to many of you this week. I am missing seeing you every day and it really has been the highlight of my week hearing your voices and talking about what you have been up to at home.

Below, I have outlined a range of different activity ideas that you can use next week. I 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!

English

This week you could focus some writing on animals. Here are a few ideas of writing projects you could complete.

- Write an A-Z list of animals. Can you think of an animal for each letter of the alphabet? Can you add sound buttons?
- Draw a picture of an animal and label it. Can you write some sentences using adjectives to describe your animal?
- Write some questions about an animal you would like to find out about.
- Create a fact-file, using pictures and sentences, about an animal of your choice.

Why not try and write a diary? It could include all the activities you have been trying at home and how you have been feeling.

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/zjqqq3/year-1-and-p2-lessons/1>

Spelling

For spelling this week, I would like you to practise spelling the days of the week. You could write them in paint or sand or maybe even make them with Lego. Have a think about fun ways to help you practise and remember the spellings.



Maths

This week, it would be great if you could look at the BBC Bitesize home learning pages and work through the addition tasks (daily tasks starting on 4th May).

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

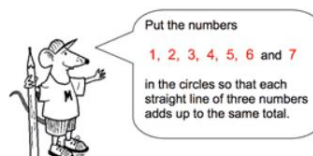
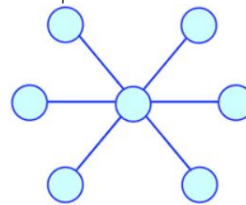
There are also some fantastic resources on the following link which you could use if you want to.

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

Why not have a go at Hit the Button. We play this game at school and it would be great if you could practise using it at home. It is a great way to practise your number bonds and doubles. If you prefer not to use the computer/tablet why not make your own number bond or doubles flashcards and test yourself and your family!



You could also have a go at this maths challenge. All you will need is a pencil and some paper.



Put the numbers

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

in the circles so that each straight line of three numbers adds up to the same total.

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.

Reading

This week I would like you to have a look at the book 'Mrs Armitage on wheels' by Quentin Blake. If you have a copy of the book at home you could share it with a family member. If not, here is a link to the story <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fe9GVITbu9g>.

Once you have shared/watched the story have a think about Mrs Armitage's design for her bicycle. What did you think? Was it a good design? How about trying to design your own bicycle for Mrs Armitage and Breakspear the dog.

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=IwAR3plfh-rdJX7QhAzhz8EOpAKOOFWQJa8FAvGmczDDsInJN6z3iJz3KIRk

You could also try to sort words that contain the oa, ow and oe digraph. Share with your family the actions we use to remember the digraph (ow, ow blow the snow). Can you remember them all?

oa	oe	ow

Topic



As you may know we are focusing on The Wright Brothers, this term. Here are a few ideas of what you could do to learn more about them. You can use the link below to research the Wright Brothers and find out why they are important historical figures. <https://kidskonnnect.com/people/wright-brothers/>

- Make your own paper aeroplane. Can you measure how far it can fly? How could you make it fly further?
- Write some questions that you would like to ask the Wright Brothers if you could interview them.
- Create puppets or a story board to retell the story of their first flight.
- Think about other things that fly – birds, hot air balloons etc. How are they similar or different to the plane created by the Wright Brothers? Maybe you could record this in a similarities and differences table.

Gem Power Challenge



Next week we would like you to think about Topaz power. This is something we are always promoting in school because it encourages you to push your ideas and challenge your thinking. It is very easy to just accept an answer or an idea but do you really understand what you are being told? When we do guided reading we have lots of opportunities to use this topaz power. You might like to develop this skill at home by reading some news with an adult. These websites are aimed at children and contain appropriate news from around the world <https://live.firstnews.co.uk/> or <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/newsroom>.

Topaz Power

- I can talk about my learning and share my ideas.
- I can answer questions about what I have learnt.
- I can ask questions to find out more.
- I can explain how I have done something in my learning.
- I can think creatively when solving problems.
- I can think logically and analytically.
- I have the confidence to respectfully challenge the ideas of others.
- I can use high level questions to provoke deeper thinking.
- I can evaluate how effective different strategies were and apply these in different contexts when I am stuck.



Jayden has been incredibly busy this week building lots of models using Lego. An amazing model Jayden!





Lottie has enjoyed learning all about Antarctica this week. She even wrote some facts that she had learnt. Amazing writing Lottie!

Zachary has been really creative this week and has made his own camera. Great work Zachary!



Molly and her sister, Georgia, made their own dresses from scratch this week. What a wonderful thing to do and they look beautiful girls! Well done.

Arthur has created this amazing friendship flag. It is an excellent design Arthur. Well done!



Tigger isumpy
every day
because he is
excited and
happy he is tall
and thin with
a pink nose
black stripes
and a yellow
tummy

James has done some fabulous writing this week all about his favourite thing....Tigger. That is amazing writing James and I love the description.

Reddy Lemur is soft
and cute. He has
orange eyes and a
black nose. He wears
his stripes and do
not himself from
fading from
trees



This week Aaron has done some absolutely splendid writing. It is about a lemur and has some brilliant adjectives. Wow Aaron. What fantastic writing and I love the picture too!



Danny has been really creative at home this week and has done some lovely paint projects. He has worked with his brother to create huge window displays to cheer people up as they are passing his house. What a thoughtful thing to do Danny!

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.