



Reception

Monday

Maths – Days of the Week

Do you know the days of the week? Listen to this 'days of the week' song a few times to check:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oKqAblcwFOA>.

Discuss which days you can remember. Which day is after Monday? Which day is before Friday? Which days are the weekend? Which days are we usually at school? Use the hungry caterpillar story to help to help to order the days of the week. There is an animation of the story on youtube if you would like to view that first: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY>

Reading: It is really important to keep reading for around 20 minutes every day. The Oxford Owl website really is brilliant and has a large range of books which are perfect for Reception children- please do use it! In the 'Oxford Owl for School' section where it says 'My Class Login', add 'awesome class 1' and 'Elmer' to access the site. On the side of each book is a little colour marker. The Reception children are best to choose books with a lilac, pink or red marker to start off with. The books get progressively harder as you scroll through the colour bands.



Phonics: Use the Teach Your Monster to Read App and the Monster Phonics App to work through some of the phonics games, daily. Phonicsplay and Twinkl are other excellent sites containing phonics activities and games. We are currently working on Phase 2/3 phonics with Reception- learning the letters and sounds and blending/ segmenting them to read and write simple words.

	<p>Hopefully this week, we will be able to start some Phonics sessions. In future, I will be adding any PowerPoints and resources which you could try at home, to a folder on Teams. That way, you will be able to access these even if you can't make the meetings.</p> <p><u>English:</u> Our topic for this half term is 'Penguins, Possums and Pigs'. What are they? What do you already know about the three animals? Look for information and pictures of all three animals. What do they look like? Where do they live? What do they eat? After your research decide which one is your favourite. Why do you like it?</p> <p>Which one would you like as a pet and why? Draw a picture of your chosen animal inside a heart. Tell your grown up why it would make a good pet!</p> <p>Topic: Last week we used Google Earth to compare the hot and cold places in the world. Following on from that, this week we are going to compare the animals that we might find there. I thought this clip of animals in the snow was lovely! https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/animals-adapting-to-cold-climates-no-narration/z4j3kmn David Attenborough has produced lots of beautiful documentaries which would be well worth watching. His 'Seven Worlds, One Planet' series is available on BBC iplayer. See what you can find out about animals around the world.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday</p>	<p>Maths: Recap the days of the week song from yesterday. Which days can you remember?</p> <p>Talk about your morning routine e.g. waking up, getting dressed etc. and discuss the order you do these things. Try to sequence familiar events using time connectives e.g. First, next, then, after that, finally.</p> <p>Now draw a timeline to show your morning routine.</p> <p><u>Reading:</u> See Monday <u>Phonics:</u> See Monday</p> <p><u>English:</u> Introduce the story, 'Wanted: The Perfect Pet'. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u3y9-4hh1SE</p> <p>Watch or read through it and make predictions about what might happen next. Discuss the story – which bit was your favourite? Were there any funny parts? Think about the 4 question words – 'who', 'what', 'where' and 'when'. Use each word to think of a question to ask about the story. (You do not need to write these down.)</p> <p>Art: Over the next few weeks, we are going to work on our drawing and sculpting skills using the theme of 'penguins'. To begin with, join in with a 'Draw with Rob' session where you can draw Penguin Blue. https://youtu.be/qPKDfxNo9XQ There are some lovely characters to draw on Rob's website so maybe have a try at some others too!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday</p>	<p>Maths: Now try to learn the months of the year and enjoy a spot of line dancing: Months Of The Year Song Months of the Year Line Dance 12 Months Jack Hartmann - YouTube Look at a calendar if you have one, or look at a calendar on the computer. Can you spot the days and the dates on a calendar? Can you find today's date within January and look at the days before and discuss what you did on those days. See if you can find your birthday!</p> <p><u>Reading:</u> See Monday <u>Phonics:</u> See Monday</p> <p><u>English:</u> Watch 'Wanted: The Perfect Pet' again. Talk again about why Henry wants a dog. What can dogs do? Discuss this and make a quick list. Can you pretend to be a dog? Act out some of the things that dogs do from your list. Don't forget to send us some photos!</p>

	<p>Music: Please choose one of the KS1 music lessons on Oak Academy to join in with! There are lots to choose from. Have fun!</p>
Thursday	<p>Maths: Recap the months of the year song, and think about what month it is and your birth month etc. Using a calendar, look at the dates and think about what number comes before or after a given number. Once you've spotted the number, try to say some number sentences eg. "9 is one less than 10" or "8 is one more than 7."</p>
	<p><u>Reading</u>: See Monday <u>Phonics</u>: See Monday <u>English</u>: How do you think the duck felt in 'Wanted:The Perfect Pet' when Henry wants a dog and not a pet duck. Around a picture of a duck (there is one in the folder on Teams), write some words to describe the duck and how he felt.</p>
	<p>RE: What happens when we go to Mass? The parish church is where the parish family gathers. Just like at home or in school everyone has their part to play in the parish family. It is a community. Look at the interactive game on Teams (it is in the files on the General Channel for both Reception and Year 1 and 2) It is called <i>Church Story Activity</i>. This might take a while to appear in your downloads. In the first picture, people are welcoming those who are coming to church. Try the drag and drop activity. Church is full of special people and people who help us. Over the next few weeks we are going to learn more about what these people do to help us. Remember that although there are people with special roles at Mass, everyone who is there is important and joins in by praying, listening, singing by saying the responses and by going forward for a blessing.</p>
Friday	<p>I have added a document in the Maths folder on Teams which you might like to use or recreate at home. (I can e-mail this if Teams is not up and running.) You could make your very own calendar like the one that we have at school. Change the days of the week each day and the date too and in a while you will be able to change the month! Which one will come next?</p>
	<p><u>Reading</u>: See Monday <u>Phonics</u>: See Monday <u>English</u>: Today, I would really like you to practise your handwriting. Practise writing your name. Write it lots of times, in lots of different colours, but be very careful to start your letters in the correct place. (There are upper and lowercase handwriting formation sheet in the English folder on Teams.) If you can manage your name, try to write your surname too!</p>
	<p>PE: Be active! Go for a walk, ride your bike, learn how to skip with a rope. Don't forget the daily PE with Joe Wicks which is live every morning at 9am. Cosmic Kids Yoga is also lovely, you can find sessions on you tube to follow.</p>
Extra Learning	<p>Please do not worry if you are struggling to get through all these lessons at home. Children in Reception learn through play so as long as they are playing, they are progressing! 😊 Play hide and seek, bake a cake, play board games, make a den, build some lego, hunt for minibeasts, have a tea party, put on a puppet show, make some friendship bracelets, paint some rocks, create your own monster .. use your imagination and have lots of fun!</p> <p>Here are a few more websites containing fun activities for whilst you are at home:</p>

Mini Music Maker Manchester. Have a look here:

<https://youtu.be/7ngv0Cor4iA>

Draw with Rob is such fun! I would definitely recommend having a look:

<http://www.robbiddulph.com/draw-with-rob>

The following website has lots of non-fiction reading material to support reading at home.

<https://readon.myon.co.uk>

Oliver Jeffers has read lots of his lovely books. Enjoy!

<https://www.oliverjeffers.com/books#/abookaday>

Julia Donaldson and her husband sing some of their songs about the stories here:

<http://www.juliadonaldson.co.uk/songs.php>

There are live cameras at Edinburgh Zoo so that the children can watch the pandas, penguins etc. :)

<https://www.edinburghzoo.org.uk/webcams/panda-cam>

Every day an audio story will be added to the David Walliams site. Each one is from The World's Worst Children.

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com>

There are also good worksheets and resources at Twinkl. Their Twinkl Go interactive resources are currently free!

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

Phonicsplay also contains some lovely games to play too:

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

Oak Academy have lots of relevant lessons, differentiated for each year group:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/>

BBC Bitesize clips are excellent:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

There is even a good excuse to turn the telly on as primary programmes will be broadcast on CBBC from 09:00 every day. These will include BBC Live Lessons and BBC Bitesize Daily as well as Our School, Celebrity Supply Teacher, Horrible Histories and Operation Ouch.

Please do not worry if you are struggling to get through all these lessons at home. We completely understand that each child's situation is unique and home learning is a challenge alongside work and other commitments. We will try to help you as much as possible.

Keep in touch to let us know what you are up to and please send us photos and join in with our daily video calls! ☺ These will be on zoom to start off with but we are hoping to have Teams up and running this week. You will be able to access lots of powerpoints and resources to support your home learning.

We are missing you all and hope to be back together in the classroom before long.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you need any information or advice.

Take care and stay safe,
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