

Year 6 Weekly Newsletter

Week commencing: 30th March 2020

Remote Home Learning is important for your child/children but it is equally important that they do not become too stressed about it, their mental health is key. Also, they will not learn effectively if they are stressed. Movement breaks, mindfulness activities and down time can really help. As does talking about how they are feeling.

Starting the day with Joe Wicks PE (online via YouTube every morning at 9am) can be a positive and healthy start to the day:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>

Cosmic yoga is a less energetic alternative:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

Reading

This week the focus will be reading a range of biographies and understanding key features and facts of each text. The children should write the answers to questions in their books.

This session should take 20-30 minutes to complete and can be complemented with silent reading or reading to an adult or sibling.

We recommend doing the reading activity set after the above active PE session as this as a good way to calm down and focus for the day's learning.

English

This week, the focus will be biography writing. Children will learn about the life and achievements of Charles Darwin. They will learn the key structural and language features of biography writing. They will research the life and achievements of Charles Darwin and take notes. They will then go on to use their notes to write a biography.

The grammar focus for the week will be to recognise and utilise a range of cohesive devices to ensure that writing makes sense and flows well.

Writing lessons will begin with a short grammar session designed to last approximately 10 minutes. The writing activity should be done afterwards and take 50 minutes to complete.

If your child is struggling with anything the following websites have good explanations and helpful examples:

www.theschoolrun.com

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f>

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/>

Maths

Maths will be set by your child's maths teacher and each maths group will focus on a different topic.

The session should start with Times Tables activity or a maths game for approximately 10 minutes and no longer than 15 minutes. These could be:

Times Tables Rockstars <https://trockstars.com/>

Hit the Button <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Mangahigh <https://www.mangahigh.com/en-gb/>

The maths activity should be done afterwards and take 50 minutes to complete.

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Topic

This week the focus will be religious education and art.

This session should take 60-90 minutes to complete.

Please feel free to supplement the session with any additional research or learning around the topic e.g. google research, watch a YouTube video, draw a picture associated with the subject, make a learning poster.

These sessions could also be complemented by a number of short activities, such as:

Mindfulness <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

5 minute move <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhI0v-w>

Listen a story <https://stories.audible.com/discovery>

Word scramble <https://www.turtlediary.com/game/word-scrabble.html>

Countdown <https://nrich.maths.org/6499>

A game of scrabble <https://funkypotato.com/scrabble-online/>

P.E.

This week, you will have one P.E. session which should take 45-60 minutes to complete.

However, we know how active you like to be so we've included a list of other things you can do at home or in the garden to keep fit and healthy.

Login into jasmine PE below to complete lots of different activities at home.

Website address: **home.jasmineactive.com**

Parent email: **parent@crowlanep-1.com**

Password: **crowlanep**

Here are some other ideas:

Just Dance <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0Vlhde7N5uGDIFXXWWEbFQ>

Cosmic Yoga <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

Kidz Bop Dance Break

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLMr-d2PLsO95ydptpBnsxdQNSKc9iUNU0>

Karate for Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRNQulicqo4&list=PLEntKuZxXbME57HhYcNpg64h3Kn8ueigA>

We would like to say a huge well done to the Year 6 children and thank you to the parents and carers for all your hard work to support remote learning at home.

We hope you have another good week of learning!

The Year 6 team 😊