

Year 3 and 4 Home-Learning Information

Dear Parents,

We hope that you and your families are all well during this difficult time.

The Year 3 and 4 teachers have set home learning activities for the week commencing Monday 27th April. We have made a **timetable** with suggested activities for each day of the week including **daily English and maths**.

Our topic for the Summer Term is ‘**Ancient Greece**’ so some of the activities will be based around this theme. Also, we have set some Purple Mash ‘2Do’ activities for maths, spellings, science and other subjects.

All work will be accessible on the **Purple Mash** site under your child’s personal log in. Their log in details should be stuck in the front of their Homework Book. If you cannot find this or have any problems logging on, please contact school and we should be able to help you.

Ideally, learning - whether at home or at school - should be fun and not too stressful. We do appreciate how hard home learning can be for you and your child so please complete work that is manageable and useful to your child. They should be able to complete the activities that we have suggested with just a little support from an adult to get them started but then should be able to work independently. If your child is finding the work too stressful, try a different activity or take a break. Children learn best when they are focused and ready to learn. Do not worry - we understand - home-learning is not a ‘normal’ experience for any of us!

We encourage you and your child to self-mark as much work as possible. Marking spelling sheets and weekly times tables sheets will give immediate feedback to your child and by doing so should set new challenges for them. Work completed on paper can be photographed and attached to Purple Mash so that you child’s teacher can view their work. Instructions will be sent out to guide you in this activity.

The ‘Homework Choices’ sheet has been attached so that your pupil can choose some of their learning. We do not expect them to complete all of the activities – we would prefer that they spend time producing a quality piece of work over a half term period.

You may find that your child is rather keen at learning, which is fabulous! In addition to our suggested activities, the government has produced a list of useful online education resources for you to access. Take a look at the ‘Primary’ age resources for Key Stage 2 using the following link. The materials include a range of activities, including texts and a lovely selection of poems.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-online-education-resources/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-online-education-resources-for-home-education>

BBC Bitesize Daily has also set up daily activities that you may be interested in accessing. Select your child’s year group and start home-schooling: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

We would like to thank all of you for your on-going support. We have been really impressed with some of the work that has been produced by your children on Purple Mash. The teachers

would also like to thank all of the pupils who have replied to their weekly emails through **'2Email'** on the Purple Mash site. It is so lovely to hear about their experiences at home and each email received puts a huge smile on our faces. Please encourage your child to engage in these emails, even if they feel they have nothing to write about – anything would be of interest to us – it is just lovely to hear from them. We do miss them!

Whilst supporting your child, please make sure that you look after yourselves too. We are not expecting you to be teachers; your well-being is just as important as your child's. Some days you may find your child is more receptive to learning than other days – this is absolutely fine! We appreciate all that you are doing at home and miss working with your child at school. Let's hope we return soon.

Many thanks,

The Year 3 and 4 Team