

Year 4 Home Learning Week 5

Hello again everybody!

How are you all? The weather hasn't been so great for the past week, but it seems to be cheering up again and will hopefully be nice and sunny for the week ahead. I wonder what you are all up to. I know that it's difficult at the moment, but you must be finding ways to keep busy and active. I spent the whole of last week in school. I know! It was very quiet and very strange to be there without all of you. My daily exercise tends to consist of me walking my two dogs, Ned and Beau (you say it like bow - like a bow in your hair or shoelace). They are now 7 months old and are pretty naughty actually so it's a good job they're cute! It would be great to know what you've been up to and I think Mr D may be sending out my e mail address this week so that it's easier to contact me if you want to.

So, on with the business of home learning. We will be continuing to ask you to use the **Oak National Academy** online video lessons for the foreseeable future. They are the closest thing we've found to the lessons we would do together in school and are really good. I know that some of you have tried them out last week and love them so that's great to know. Keep that up and if you haven't tried them yet give them a go. You can access them from any device be it phone, tablet or computer and you don't need a password or login - easy. If you've already been on it carry on from where you left off and if you're new to it start from Week 3 (that's this week). Click on **schedule** and then select **Year 4** from the menu. Don't forget, the home learning is **optional**, and you may still need an adult to help you with some of it.

BBC Bitesize have produced similar lessons which also look good and you might like to have a go at their home learning resources as well.

I can see that some of you have been having a go at the activities on Purple Mash this week - well done! I can see the work that you complete and am sending it back to you with a comment. It may not be on the same day that you did it, but I will mark it. I've allocated more 2do's on **Purple Mash**. They are mostly to do with volcano's and there is some reading (a chapter a week plus quiz), writing and art type activities. I'd like to put some of your work on the Year 4 Purple Mash notice board so next time you do something that you'd like to share with your classmates, ask me to post it on the notice board.

Reading - I can see that some of you have been having a go at the books that have been allocated to you on Bug Club, so well done and keep that up! There are

some great books on there! If you don't do anything else at home, you should still make the time to read. Anyway, it's a great way to pass the time.

Keep using **Times Table Rock Stars** to practise the times tables. Remember, we need to know them all. Also have a go at the maths games on Purple Mash if you can.

PE - there are lots of links to physical activities in the 'Physical Activity Programme' on the home learning section of the school website. Ellie (yoga lady) was in school doing yoga this week with the children who were in. It was filmed and will appear as a link in the 'physical activity programme' on the school website in the not too distant future. Have a look and have a go.

And remember that at this strange time the most important thing is to look after your health and wellbeing. Get out in the sunshine when you can and try to stay active. The school website has lots of links to ideas that can help with this.

Keep busy, take care & stay safe,

Mrs Russell 😊