

18 May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that everyone is well and staying safe.

I have been busy watching the woodlice and spiders in my bug hotel and the white butterflies who have visited my butterfly feeder – although it did blow down in the wind at the weekend!

I am really enjoying looking at the work that you are sending in. The 'Bear Hunt' story maps have been great. I've also seen your children reading in some very funny places!

Here is some work to do at home whilst our school is closed (18th May – 22nd May 2020.) You can also continue this over half term if you wish to.

Remember, do as much or as little home learning as you can. Everyone's circumstances are different at home and juggling children and work is not easy! These are just ideas to help and to give you a focus covering the things we would have done in school. If you do something every day, no matter how small it will help.

This week we are continuing with our topic based around the children's picture book, 'We're going on a bear hunt!' by Michael Rosen.

Activities to have a go at this week:

English

- Practice reading all phase 2-5 phonemes. There are some real and alien words to read on the Phonics Activity Sheet – Real and alien words in the Year 1 folder on the school website. You can also watch alphablocks or play games on Phonics Play.
- Oxford Owl have added lots of free books, including many of those we use in school to their free library for a temporary period. I have recently emailed you a link and login details for this.
- Retell 'We're going on a bear hunt' by Michael Rosen.
- Make up and tell or write a different 'bear hunt,' changing the animal/thing e.g. "We're going on a dragon hunt?" What would the page say when you find him... "Two big wings. Large, green scales. Long, sharp teeth. Ahhhhhh it's a dragon!"
- Practise forming letters that go under the line, e.g. f,g,j,p,q.

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Maths:

This week in **Maths** we would be **working on money**.

- You could try to learn to recognise and name all coins, e.g., 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £1, £2. (When you are ready you can move onto notes.) You could sort coins into those that are silver and those that are not or play a game where one of you describes the coin and the other guesses.
- There are activities in Money homework on Education City and work sheets in the Year 1 folder.
- Make a shop and practice buying and selling items (make sure the items cost a whole coin to begin with, 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £1, £2.)

Other activities to try this week

Science:

- Watch the BBC bitesize clips at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpxnyrd/articles/Zw2y34j>
- Be a 'Tree Detective' and go on a 'tree' hunt in your garden or when you are out doing some exercise. See which trees you can name (there are some useful resources in the folder or you can download an app at <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/trees-woods-and-wildlife/british-trees/tree-id-app/> to help.) Investigate one tree – make a bark rubbing, leaf rubbing, find out about the shape of its leaves, what does its seed look like, does it produce fruit etc.
- Find out about plant parts at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpxnyrd/articles/Z3wpsbk> and take the quiz.

Computing:

- Have a go on code.org – this is all about directions.

This Week's Challenge:

- Create some twig art... (you can add other materials if you want to - here's a few ideas but it's up to you!)



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Good luck, keep sending in your work to homelearning@new-swann.leics.sch.uk if you want to see it on the Facebook page or Year1@new-swann.leics.sch.uk if you just want to show me.

If you have any questions you can email me at Year1@new-swann.leics.sch.uk

Missing you all and hopefully see you soon,

Mrs Mitchell