



Due to the recent events, we have provided extra information in this learning letter to enable you to support your child's learning at home, if they are unable to attend school.

Firstly, here are some suggestions of things that can be done online. Go onto the websites that we already subscribe to as a school: [Purple Mash](#), [Times Table Rock Stars](#), [Sumdog](#) and [Education City](#). Times tables have been set on Times Table Rockstars to individually suit each child. As well as our usual websites, there are many offering a free subscription during this uncertain time. Here are a selection [Twinkl](#), [Classroom Secrets](#), [Scholastic](#). All of these will have units based on the Year 3 curriculum

Please see the second page of this letter for other activities that you can do at home. Work will also become available on our website

<https://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Home+Learning+Resources&pid=482>

National Curriculum spelling words and spelling focus

Our current list of spellings are in your child's diary, along with the current spelling focus, which are homophones and near homophones. These are words which sound the same, but are spelt differently.

island though famous increase
answer actually certain interest

Heel/heal bury/berry not/knot
Meet/meat ball/bawl fare/fair
There/their/they're hear/here
Mail/male two/to/too break/brake



Trip to Brighton



What a fantastic day out we had last Tuesday. All of the children were well behaved and engaged in all of the activities. We spent some of the day on the beach, listening to the sounds, watching the waves, walking on the pier and generally exploring the sights. This was to help with our narrative writing and we've definitely been inspired by this experience, producing some wonderful descriptions. The second part of the day was spent in the Sealife centre where we saw lots of amazing sea creatures of many shapes and sizes.



We Are Learning About....

- Fractions
- Continuing stories with coastal settings
- RE Why do Christians call God Father
- Science - Forces and magnets
- Geography - Comparing different types of settlement
- Art – combining seascapes with people in the style of Quentin Blake



Year 3 Learning Letter

Home Learning Ideas



Homework

Homework this week has been set on Education City. If you Login as normal and go to the homework tab you will find science activities related to forces and magnets. You will also find some other areas of learning under this tab. They often have printable activity sheets too. We have also sent this half term's KIRFs on the 8x table to be practised at home.

Maths

We have been learning about lengths and measures. You could estimate and measure all sorts of items in the home, compare lengths and arrange them in order. Children should be able to convert between mm, cm and m.

We will be starting to learn about fractions - you can find several activities to help with learning about fractions, look at Topmarks, BBC guides and the websites we have suggested on the front page of this letter. Also go onto the curriculum area of our school website where you will find the KIRFs for Year 3 which they can be working on.

English

SPAG use <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhrd2p>

Look at:

- prefixes and suffixes - collect groups of word with the same prefixes or suffixes
- All forms of punctuation
- What are subordinating conjunctions?

Now write a setting description of a familiar setting e.g. Brighton beach or Poland Woods.

Remember to use punctuation accurately and 3 different subordinating conjunctions.

You can also go onto the school website curriculum page where there is information on SPAG

Topic and Science

Science - In science we are investigating forces. Challenge yourself to find as many items in the house that require a force (Push, pull or twist) in order for them to move or be of use. Create diagrams which show the direction of the force used and record your findings.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvpp34j/resources/1>

Geography - As we are studying the South East have a look at maps of the local area, use a map and go for a walk. You could also create your own map of your garden or the area where you live. Creative ideas can also be found at <https://www.lotc.org.uk/resources/education-resources/>

Keeping active and being creative

New physical activity guidelines came out in September 2019 from the Chief Medical Officer: 'current medical evidence recommends an average of 60 daily minutes to be achieved across the week. ' Here are some ideas you could try at home with your family:

Jump Start Jonny: Get Children Active <https://www.jumpstartjonny.co.uk/free-stuff>

Jump Start Your Day With JSJ! Jump Start Jonny is on a mission to get kids fit! His fun workouts and chill-out videos are loved by over 250,000 Jumpsters

Super Movers - BBC Teach www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers

Super Movers is helping children across the UK to get physically active with curriculum linked videos e.g. times tables

Discovery Education <https://www.activekidsdobetter.co.uk/active-home>

E.g. games to play inside / at home with the family

'Like Ping Towel Pong' (printable games)