

Thursday 16th July

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to being your child's class teacher. It was lovely to meet so many of the children today and yesterday.

We would like the Year 1 children to do an 'All about me' project over the summer holidays if you can. We will upload a video on Class Dojo showing some of the different ways this can be presented. A message will be sent to each parent via Class Dojo, which will include a date for your child to present their project, when we return to school in September. We are really looking forward to getting to know your children!

Many of you will be looking forward to the summer holiday and a break from any requirement to be involved in home-schooling. We are aware however, that some of you may wish to carry on supporting your child's learning over the summer holidays. Therefore, please see below a few websites/ideas of things that you could do. Please note that this work is **not** a requirement. We understand that the summer holidays are usually a much needed break from any school work. These are simply just a few ideas:

- BBC Bitesize - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zks4kmn> (this BBC link covers a range of areas of learning)
- Busy things - <https://www.busythings.co.uk/take-a-free-trial> (this is also a suitable website for English and Maths games. When you are using their phonics programme make sure you have the accent on Southern.)
- Phonics play - <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> Phonics play has a free login at the moment and has lots of good phonics games:

Username: march20 Password: home

- BBC iPlayer - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/group/p06vkmht> BBC iPlayer have lots of Julia Donaldson books adapted into short films for free. Your child could watch these, then: retell the story, write the story, write a character description, come up with an alternative ending for the story.
- Literacy Shed - <https://www.literacyshed.com/home.html> (short stories/story starters with suggested writing activities)
- Oak Academy - <https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/reception> or if you are feeling ambitious, look at the Year 1 page! <https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-1>
- Primary homework help - <http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/>
- Little Bird Spelling - <http://www.ictgames.com/littleBirdSpelling/> (Choose Year 1)
- Hit the button - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> (a game to work on your child's number bonds.)
- BP home learning - <https://bpes.bp.com/home-learning-4-7> (Various science activities)
- Come Outside - <https://www.youtube.com/user/ComeOutsideTV> an old classic! Come outside has lots of short videos about a range of science topics from butterflies to carrots. Your child could watch an episode and then write down, draw a picture or make a poster about everything they have learnt.
- Deadly 60 - https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=deadly+60+full+episodes

Children love to learn about animals and could watch one of these episodes and record their findings. They could make a fact file, a poster, a picture or a book all about their chosen animal.

- Hour of code - <https://hourofcode.com/uk/learn> (pre-reader level)
- Touch typing - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr>
- Go Noodle - <https://www.gonoodle.com/> (PE)

We hope you find these links and ideas helpful. We will also be uploading a 'Summer Activity Booklet' to Dojo on Friday 17th July. We hope you have a wonderful summer and will see you all again in September!

Don't forget you'll need a fully stocked pencil case with pencil, rubber, sharpener, ruler, glue stick & colouring pencils for the first day back.

Miss Smith (Class 1Y) and Mrs Duffy (Class 1G)