



Class 11 Newsletter- Summer 2020



Hello Class 11 and welcome to a very different summer term than what we are used to! We hope that you are all safe and well and have been keeping yourselves busy, and we look forward to hearing and seeing what you have all been up to.

Maths

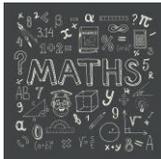
This term we will focus on our mental calculations and problem solving across a range of topics. There are so many great ideas and activities that you can complete online, as well as the activities that we share with you on your homework menus. Try the websites below for some great activities.

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z826n39

www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/year6/maths#subjects

Don't forget that you each have your study guide with you that you should be working through, practising each topic in turn to prepare you for year 7.

And of course, Times Table Rock Stars! Please try to complete 15 minutes a day to keep your tables skills fluent! If you need a password reminder, then please just text MyEd app and we will send it out to you.



RE

This term, we will explore the themes of 'Witnesses, Healing and Common Good'. We will explore the courage that it takes to become a witness and how, during Pentecost, The Holy Spirit enables us to witness to the Easter Message.

You will find some amazing 3 minute retreats on this weblink, as well as this week's gospel readings.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer/>

English

Throughout this term, we will focus on writing letters, persuasive writing and poetry. Please complete the writing and spelling tasks from the homework menus. Please use your study guides to complete grammar and punctuation activities. You will find some great activities online at BBC Bitesize and The National Oak Academy.

Have you read any new books recently? It is important to read every day to help you build up your comprehension and vocabulary, but it is also great to get lost in a book and to be whisked away on an adventure!

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/tag/free-download/>

<https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

History

Our topic this term is Ancient Greece. We will explore Ancient Greek gods and goddesses, find out about the Battle of Marathon and learn about the period using a range of sources, including art. Take a look at these online activities to get you started.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z87tn39>

Geography

This term, we will be exploring Central Europe and Russia. We will use atlases to name countries and cities, and identify similarities and differences between the climates, and human geography between eastern Europe and Stockton on Tees.

Use this website to test your knowledge of European countries and their location.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvsfr82/articles/znm7vk7>

Computing

Purple Mash is available from home. If you do not have your log in, you can request this from the school office via email. BBC Bitesize also has some great lessons <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

There is a simple program within purple mash to help develop this. Alternatively BBC Bitesize also has a great game to help you with this skill

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr>

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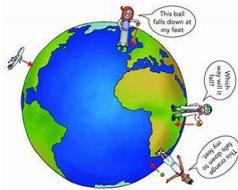
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Science

This term, our topic is forces. We will identify different forces acting on objects, explain Newton's role in discovering gravity and explore Galileo's 'Tower of Pisa' experiment to gravity and air resistance.

There are some great clips on the BBC Bitesize website that will help you.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/znmn39>



PE

How have you been keeping active at home? Have you been for a run or a walk with your family? Have you set up obstacle courses and circuits around the house and garden? Or maybe you have been completing Joe Wicks' or other online workouts? We would love to see pictures of you being active! Send in your pictures to school or our Facebook page.

Follow Mr Burke online for some extra inspiration.

<https://www.facebook.com/tbalimited/>

New Routines

We know that these are very strange times for you at the moment, and we are all trying to get used to different routines. Mrs Gentle and I are missing you all and would love to see pictures of what you have been up to at home. Have you been learning something new? Have you been helping around the house or helping your brothers and sisters? Send your pictures into school, or onto the Facebook page.

Finally, whilst it is important that you continue your school work, it is also important that you try to keep busy in other ways. Spend time doing things with you family that you wouldn't usually do, stay in touch with friends wherever you can and get lots of fresh air and exercise.

Remember keeping active can really help your Mental Wellbeing. Find more information on how to stay mentally-well on our website.

<https://stjosephsacademy.org.uk/contact/keeping-mentally-healthy/>

We can't wait to be back at school and to hear all about your time at home. Please take care of yourselves and hopefully we will be back together very soon.

Miss Tate and Mrs Gentle

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