



Sandford St. Martin's

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday 21st April 2020

Dear Elm Class and Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term. It feels very strange to be writing this down in a letter rather than speaking to you all and seeing your smiling faces. I am missing hearing about all your exciting stories and interesting adventures.

I hope you have had a lovely Easter holiday in this beautiful sunshine and enjoyed doing some lovely things at home or on your daily exercise. I have had a nice holiday spending lots of time in the garden, baking lots of yummy treats (I was very proud of myself when I made Hot Cross Buns for the first time) and going for bike rides with my family. As most of you have seen on Dojo I've also been taking part in the NHS Rainbow Challenge where I had to find things whilst exercising that were the same colour as the top I was wearing. Well done to those of you who have also tried to find things in the colours of the rainbow and match my challenge!

It has been so lovely to see so much of your hard work coming through on Class Dojo and I must admit you have amazed me with your resilience and perseverance during this tricky time for us all. A massive thank you also goes to all parents/carers as I can imagine this has been a challenging situation for you to get your head round as well with many of you still also trying to work from home so thank you for all of your support.

Thinking forward to this term in the current circumstances, we will still be using Class Dojo as our main learning platform to be putting out work to you all and also as a platform for you to send us your work and any questions that you may have or brilliant stories via messages.

Work will be sent out on a Monday and a Thursday via Class Dojo and although a lot of this may be worksheet-based work please don't feel that you need to print all of this. It is absolutely acceptable for the title to be written in your children's green workbook and then the work written up in there.

The plan is that going forward, Maths will be to work from the content that is being uploaded from the White Rose Maths website as although this is new content the explanations and worksheets are really child friendly for your children to follow. I will be uploading the worksheets on Class Dojo daily, so

these are accessible alongside the link to the website. Although we are asking the children to use this platform for their maths learning, we will always be on hand via messages to provide support with this and answer any questions that you may have.

We will be sending out our Summer Term Curriculum Map alongside this letter with our topic being Amazing Habitats Around the World. We were due to launch our new topic with a trip to Marwell Zoo. Unfortunately, we do not know when we are going to be back in school next so I have added a website link to the Curriculum Map where you can explore the zoo from home! We will be starting our new topic mainly after half term due to us still finishing our Explorer's topic. However, we will keep you updated on Dojo. Sadly, we did not get to become astronauts for the day and visit space (in the space dome). But I have some good news! Today (Wednesday 23rd April) you can dress up in black and white (or as an astronaut if you want, sorry Mums and Dads) and visit the dome online. Click on the link below. It all starts at 11.00am.

https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=6&ved=2ahUKewiTsfaqej_roAhW0kFwKHa7PDTwQFjAFegQIBxAB&url=https%3A%2F%2Fm.facebook.com%2FsciencezoneUK%2Fposts%2F%3Fref%3Dpage_internal%26mt_nav%3D0&usg=AOvVaw14yDjbKFaXzWF12JNs-sLS

I am going to provide the links below to some websites that we would recommend using during this time for extra learning and support. Some of these we have given you already but just in case they have been misplaced:

- Timetable rockstars – <https://trockstars.com>
- Sumdog - https://www.sumdog.com/user/sign_in
- Maths shed – <https://www.mathshed.com>
- Bug Club-<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>
- PE with Joe Wicks via his Youtube channel - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>
- Teach your monster to read - www.teachyourmonstertoread.com
- Jigsaw (Our PSHE scheme – Password: Home) - <https://families.jigsawpshe.com/stuck-at-home/>
- Real P.E (Our P.E scheme of learning - Parent email: parent@sandfordst-1.com Password: sandfordst)- home.jasmineactive.com

Any questions regarding this information or if you require any support, please don't hesitate to contact me via Class Dojo.

Take care and keep safe!

Mrs Bolar