

Spring Term 2: Welcome back Y6

Firstly, we'd like to say thank you for engaging so well with remote learning last term - you were all superstars! This is our second term of online teaching and learning and we hope to see you as engaged and motivated as you were last term. Hopefully, it won't be as long this time and we'll all be back in school learning together soon.



Our English work this term is based around an animation called 'Alma' which is brilliant - it's one of our favourite animations. We bet you can't guess what it's about from the picture. We know you're going to enjoy it as much as we do and it'll inspire you to produce some excellent written work.

This term's Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) focus on fraction, decimal and percentage equivalences. This sheet provides games and tips to help with learning this.

<https://gorsehill.swindon.sch.uk/downloads/gorseHillSchool/GHS-KIRF-Y6-ALL.pdf>

Remember to scroll down to the Spring 2 page.

Homework: In addition to the live online lessons, your Year 6 homework will be set as described below.

Reading: Children must read for 20 minutes, a minimum of four times a week. Each child has a login for Rising Stars and has been allocated several books to read at an appropriate level. We encourage you to read books that you have at home as well.

English and Maths Tasks: Weekly Maths and English tasks will be set on your 'To Do' tasks on Purple Mash. These will be set on a Friday and must be completed by the following Wednesday.

Home Learning Grid: The home learning grid is also on the website. You can choose a minimum of three activities to complete for this term which you can upload to Purple Mash. We may be able to upload your work and/or pictures to the school website.





Please continue to check your 2email account on Purple Mash for updates on our online learning. Thank you to everyone who has been uploading their work to their 'My Work' folder on Purple Mash. Please remember to upload your work onto Purple Mash daily, so that we can provide you with help and feedback ready for our next lesson.

The instructions on how to do this are on the file tab of our TEAMS page

Daily Exercise: It is important in these times to make sure that we are spending time away from the screens and getting enough exercise. Alongside the daily Joe Wicks or Cosmic Yoga workouts, we recommend a daily (socially distanced) walk in the fresh air to enjoy a little bit of nature.



Thank you once again for all the support and patience you showed last term. It's a very challenging time for all of us and we're sure we will all continue to learn together. Here are some reminders for our online classrooms:

- Be dressed and ready to learn
- Have your learning pack available at all times
- Have a drink next to you but NO eating during lesson time
- Children should have their cameras on if possible so that they can engage with the lesson and we can check on their work.
- Please think about what is behind your child while they are on camera.
- Children are to only unmute if the teacher has asked them to or they have a question of their own.
- The 'chat' feature is ONLY to be used for learning talk
- Challenge yourselves, engage, interact, ask questions and SMILE

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