

Awesome Adventures for Summer 2020

This school year may have been unlike any other and we want everyone to rest and enjoy themselves ready for school in September. However, we have lots of suggestions to keep you busy, active and ensure your thirst for learning, adventure and curiosity never stops. All these activities are optional – but we do expect all children to continue with their reading over the summer! Mrs Malcolm and I have had great fun putting this together for you!

Remember to build in time to rest, relax and recover, as that's what the holiday is for!

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Whole school challenge 1



Take part in the Summer Reading Challenge – read 6 books! The Summer Reading Challenge 2020 theme is 'Silly Squad', which will celebrate funny books, happiness and laughter. This summer, children will be able to choose books from their local library via their website and read them for free as eBooks, audiobooks, comics and magazines. The Summer Reading Challenge website allows your child to keep track of the books they have read during the summer and beyond. They can also find new books to read, recommended by other children; watch exclusive author videos; take part in competitions and play games.

We'd love to present your certificate to you when you return to school in September. The challenge is ready for you to begin!

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Whole school challenge 2



Become a scientist with the British Motor Museum's science experiments and activities. Their website gives you lots of experiments to choose from that you can try at home. Want to make planets from milk? Change the colour of flowers? Or make your own ice cream? You can become a true scientist and try the experiments before sending some pictures and sharing your results with the British Motor Museum.

For all of the information and experiment outlines, visit:

<https://www.britishmotormuseum.co.uk/whats-on/stay-at-home-science>

Whole school challenge 3



Document your summer holiday by becoming an amateur photographer. Under the guidance of your grown up, use your family device to take one photograph a day, which represents an activity you have completed, an adventure that you've been on or maybe just the mood of the day! Then you can create a picture collage of your photographs with the 'Pic Kids' app. You could print your collage creation and show us back at school after the holidays or email it to your new teacher for next year!



More Awesome Ideas for Summer 2020

English

- Read, read and read – get lost in a book. Explore new authors, and choose new books from
 - <https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks1-school-pupils/100-best-picture-books-to-read-before-you-are-5-years-old/>
 - <https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks1-school-pupils/>
 - <https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/category/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/>
 - Listen to a podcast.
 - Also see your year group activity suggestions.
 - Check out a range of English websites – all of which reinforce work covered across a range of year groups:
 - <http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html>
 - <https://uk.ixl.com/>
 - <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>
 - <https://www.spellzone.com/>
 - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/> - range of activities for ages 5 – 7 and then 7 – 11.
 - <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zhrd2p>
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Maths

- Become a pirate explorer and create a treasure map of your garden, directing your family to some buried treasure. Then use positional vocabulary (forward, back, left, right, turn 90 degrees etc) to write a set of instructions for them too. See who can find your treasure first!
 - Have you ever tried to master the rubix cube? It really is a simple set of steps to match the colours. See if you can challenge your memory and follow the simple algorithm. If you can complete it, make sure that you record a video of your achievement!
<https://www.instructables.com/id/The-simplest-way-to-solve-the-rubix-cube/>
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 - <https://teachingtables.co.uk/>
 - <http://www.ictgames.com/>
 - <http://mathszone.co.uk/>
 - <http://uk.mathletics.com/>
 - <https://uk.ixl.com/>
 - <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>
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The Great Outdoors

- Add some extra excitement to your country walks or trips to the local forest or woods by trying some of these challenges: Build a Bug Hotel, play the Duplication Game with objects that you find, create a den, build a cairn. For more information and extra ideas visit <https://www.theschoolrun.com/diy-forest-school-activities>
 - 5th August is National Play Day! This year's theme is 'Everyday Freedoms Everyday Adventures' and celebrates the importance of play by dedicating an entire day to play and fun with your family. For ideas visit <http://www.playday.org.uk/>.
 - Plan your next adventure here... <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/50-things-to-do> Get closer to nature with '50 things to do before you're 11¾'. There's plenty of outdoor activities to do all year round, from watching the sunset to creating some wild art. With many nature and outdoor places still closed, you could see if you could complete all the 'back garden' activities during the holiday
<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lists/50-things-activities-to-do-in-your-back-garden>
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Challenge, curiosity and creativity

- Use natural materials that you may find in your garden or on a country walk to create a safe nesting area or hideaway for small animals or for birds.
 - Love Science and all things STEM? Discover hundreds of activities to enjoy over the summer. Keep a record or diary of what you do.
<https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/100-summer-stem-activities-science-experiments/>
 - Use natural materials to create a piece of art.
 - You may not be going on holiday abroad this summer, or maybe you are? If you are then research the place that you are going to and plan some activities for your family to do and locate it on a map. If you are staying in the UK, then help to plan ahead for your next trip!
 - Choose, explore and make foods from different parts of the UK or world over a week – a holiday without even leaving home! You could even make the challenge harder and create one meal a week inspired by a different county or a different country from each continent.
 - Have some old-fashioned family fun! Especially with so many places still closed – Here are 8 activities to try:
 - 1. Family game night: Have a weekly game night, and rotate who chooses the game.
 - 2. Family movie night: Show a movie on the main television in your home. Serve popcorn and fizzy pop and sing along. Maybe you will choose "Mary Poppins," a modern Disney classic or some Star Wars!
 - 3. Family dance party: Host a family dance party to all sorts of different music and show the all your friends you can boogie (or salsa). Invite more guests via Zoom or Teams!
 - 4. House or neighborhood scavenger hunt: Set up a scavenger hunt with clues. At the end make sure you have a prize... or the winner can choose the film for the movie night!
 - 5. Create light: Make candles from scratch with yummy smells to give as presents.
 - 6. Face painting: Learn to face paint and practise on each other. Hold a contest over Zoom or Teams to vote for "best paint job," "most realistic," "best superhero" and "scariest animal."
 - 7. Do a puzzle: If you're bored with your puzzles, trade with a friend, family member or neighbour.
 - 8. Lego challenges: Give everyone a bag of Lego pieces and charge your crew with building a house, a shop, a park, Crackley Hall School or a castle in the sky — and then set the timer. Creativity wins! (There are great 30-day Lego challenges to be found online.)
 - Continue working to develop your MfL skills through www.linguascope.com This academic year's usernames and log ins will continue to work until the end of August!
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Resilience and persistence

Build resilience: Success in life is in part, dependent on your capacity to take risks and manage fear. Often, resilient behaviour requires us to take action in the face of this fear – so let's start building resilience now...

- Help your child develop this quality and explore 'Fifty Dangerous Things (you should let your children do)' and its list of dangerous activities. Plenty of fun things to do – with varying degrees of risk which are appropriate for different ages of children. Choose some activities and occupy your children throughout the summer, helping them to overcome their fear and just 'do it, anyway'.
<https://www.fiftydangerousthings.com>
- Children in Junior 5 or Junior 6 could spend a night 'homeless' – sleep outside, with just a blanket and cardboard box shelter.
- Try something new as a family: Being adventurous isn't in everyone's comfort zone but knowing you're together in a new experience gives support and builds confidence. Pushing comfort zones in a safe way and putting in the effort, helps reduce the fear of the unknown and develops courage and resilience. Keep a photo

and caption diary of how you feel when things don't go so well, and how you feel when you achieve! Perseverance, determination, grit and an 'I can do' attitude.

- Learn to 'hula-hoop', ride a bike, or develop another sport or interest which requires you to do a little bit each day, and so improve. Keep a daily or weekly video diary, so you can see your progress!
 - Go 'device free' for one day each week / one weekend each week / every other day / on your family holiday. Be 'device free family' at agreed time.
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Recommended Apps to use and download
(under parental supervision)

