Hello Primary 1,

As we are currently out of school I have put together a list of activities for you to complete at home during this time off.

**Literacy**

**Spelling**

Your spelling list should be completed every week, focusing on a couple of words each day. You should practise these words by using ‘Sound it, Blend it, Say it’ and write the words in your jotter at least three times. Every Friday (if possible) I’d like you to have someone test you on spelling your words and then for you to ‘have-a-go’ at writing a sentence for each word – you can use your tricky word mat to help you.

**Writing**

In the jotter provided, I would like you to keep a diary of what you are doing. You can complete this weekly just like we do in class in our ‘News’ jotter e.g. Today is Monday. It is cold and wet outside. We are going to gym today after lunchtime. Try to remember to date anything that you write in your diary so that we can talk about it when we are back in school together.

**Reading**

For your reading activities please choose whatever books you have at home or you can access free books on the Oxford Owl website. Please listen to/read at least one story each day.

Some tips for parents/carers to choose from over the week to support your child’s reading;

* Share the book together. Talk about the title, author and illustrator. Discuss what happens and why. Talk about the pictures, the characters, their feelings and where the story takes place.
* Talk about the words and letters, full stops, capital letters, question marks, exclamation marks and speech marks.
* Let your child read to you and remember to give lots of praise.
* Talk about their favourite pages, words and pictures. The pictures help to tell the story.
* When reading the more challenging books, cover the pictures and see if your child can still read the sentence. You could also say a word and ask your child to find that word in the sentence.

**Remember you can also use your Education City login to access Early Level Literacy tasks. Your login will be stuck into your jotter.**

**Numeracy**

**Counting**

Please practise counting forwards and backwards from different numbers with your child every day. Your child may also enjoy watching some Jack Hartman counting and maths videos on YouTube.

**Addition and Subtraction**

Please ask oral questions to support quick recall of number facts e.g. 4 plus 1, 3 and 0, 3 add 2, 6 and 1 more and so on varying the language of addition and subtraction.

Please complete a couple of pages each day:

* Scottish Heinemann Maths Addition to 10 workbook
* Scottish Heinemann Maths Subtraction to 10 workbook
* Scottish Heinemann Maths Numbers to 20 workbook

Use your number lines and/or any other materials around your house to help you e.g. pegs, lego pieces, small toys etc.

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**Other Curricular Areas**

Below you will find a list of activities that you can participate in at home with your family. You do not have to do them all, but you may find that they help keep you entertained during this time off.

* Count how many steps to walk from the kitchen to your bedroom.
* Cross your living room/bedroom/hall without touching the floor
* Pair your socks after they are washed. Draw 3 different pairs of socks.
* Find out who is the shortest and who is the tallest in your family.
* Make a model using things you have in the house.
* Draw a picture of what you can see outside your bedroom window.
* Draw a clock face and put in all the numbers.
* Choose a board game and play with your family. Can you make up a new game and write out the rules?
* Think of an exercise you can do in the living room. Count how many times each person in your family can do it one minute. Can you improve?
* Find a dance/yoga/fitness video on YouTube and turn your living room into a gym
* Draw a rainbow.
* Find out your house number and write it down. Find out the house numbers of other people in your family.
* Find out your birthday and the birthday of the other people in your family.
* Arrange your family’s shoes in order of size.
* Set the table for dinner. How many knives, forks, spoons?
* Count the buttons on something you wear. Now put it on and button it.
* Play ‘I Spy’ with your family. Make tally marks to show how many times each person guesses correctly.
* Make a tooth brushing chart for the family. Each person has to mark when they brush their teeth. Keep it for a week.
* Ask each person in the family to sing their favourite song. Each person has to write down why it is their favourite.
* Watch a movie and act out a scene/change the scene
* Build a comfortable den for you and your family
* Learn to make your bed.
* Learn to zip up your jacket.
* Learn to tie your shoe laces.
* Practise your days of the week and months of the year
* Play with jigsaws and do lots of colouring in and cutting out.

Remember to go onto our school website to find a list of very useful websites and resources.

Please be sensible and safe during this unusual time off and play nicely with your family – especially brothers and sisters!

We are looking forward to seeing you all very soon.

Mrs Simpson, Mrs Din and Mrs Walsh ☺