Hello Primary 5

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

**Literacy**

Your spelling words should be completed every week, focusing on 8 words per week (so each list will take you 2 weeks to complete). You should practise these words every day by completing a spelling activity of your choice. Remember all of the activities you have in class to choose from; silly sentences, rainbow writing, backwards writing, opposite hand, write a poem/song or any other way you would like to revise your words.

Every Friday (if possible) I’d like you to have someone test you on your words and then for you to write a sentence for each word – as you normally would for homework.

In the jotter provided, I’d like you to keep a diary of what you are doing. You can complete this daily or weekly. Each week you should write a story for me in your jotter, choosing something you would like to write about or choose a topic from the following list:

* If I were a superhero I would…
* News update on what is happening in the world
* Use the internet to research somewhere you would like to go and create a tourist brochure (like we did with our Toryglen study)
* An alien/zombie has taken over your parents’ body – what happens to them/you?
* Character study of a celebrity you admire – tell me what they’re like, what they do and why you admire them
* A story about an imaginary world - What’s in it? What happens there? Who lives there? What are the houses/food/school/clothes like?
* If I were King/Queen I would…
* Create a new food with magic properties. Draw it and tell me how it helps the world.

Or as I said, any other topic you can think of.

For your reading activities please choose whatever books you have at home to complete the Reading Star sheet you have been given and use your school library book to complete the book review. You can read articles or books online too.

**Numeracy**

Each week I will be changing your challenges on Sumdog for you to complete. Log in with your own username and password (which I have given you again) to complete your challenges. To make it more fun, you could perhaps phone a friend so that you can arrange a time to play together! You should aim to spend at least half an hour per day on Sumdog (if possible). Remember, I can see how much you are on Sumdog and can track your progress to alter the challenges to your performance. There is also a multiplication sheet in your pack too.

**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.

* Play a board game with someone
* Build a pillow fort and scrunch up paper to make ‘missiles’ to ‘attack’ your family member’s fort
* Watch a movie and act out a scene/change the scene
* Use your Jeely Piece skills to create an indoor game
* Cross your living room/bedroom/hall without touching the floor
* Draw a picture of a food monster with your favourite foods for each part of it’s body
* Play ‘Paper Tennis’ scrunch up a piece of paper and use your hand as a racquet
* Find a dance/yoga/fitness video on YouTube and turn your living room into a gym

If you get up to anything else during your time off then record it in your jotter as part of your diary entry. 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.

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

See you all very soon

Mrs N O’Neill