

Hello Year 3,

I hope that you have been enjoying the work you've been doing over the past week. It is very strange having to send work home rather than be in the classroom all together - I can speak for all your teachers when I say we would love to be back in the classroom with all your lovely, smiling faces. However, we have to get used to things being a little bit different for a while and it's okay if you're finding it a bit tricky! It's hard because we can't see our friends and our family, go to the cinema, go to the park or even visit somewhere new - but we can do our part in helping ourselves, our families and others stay safe and healthy at this strange time. You're an amazingly responsible and resilient year group and I know you can do this ☺

Something that can help your physical and mental wellbeing (that means being healthy and happy) is by having some sort of structure to your day! Have you tried out Joe Wickes' 9am PE lesson each morning? We've been doing it in school and found that it helps us to energise ourselves for the rest of the day! Or, if you don't fancy that, you could try some dance tutorials on YouTube (*GoNoodle is also good site to use for child friendly exercise/dance videos - you have to sign up but it's free*). Why not split your morning into an hour maths slot and an hour English slot with a break and some reading in between? That's similar to what we'd do in school! Then, in the afternoon you could have a go at the science/topic project and spellings! Or, you might find it easier doing your maths in the afternoon - do whatever works best for you and your parents.

Miss Stewart's top tip would be to make sure you have a tidy space to work. This means you won't get distracted and can focus on your work. You know how much Miss Stewart likes the tables to be tidy! Perhaps your parents could give you a special 'home' house point for a tidy work space ☺ We're working on setting up a system so that you can share your home learning with us online - make sure you keep your skeleton booklets safe - we'd love to be able to see them soon. We picked maths topics that you've done before, like multiplication grids last week and column addition this week, because we thought you might like teaching your parents!

Remember to look on the school website for lots of links to fun and interesting online learning activities. Perhaps you could write a diary to document your time in lock down - in a thousand years, historians might end up using it to teach future humans about what's happening today! Wouldn't that be cool! Make sure you keep practising your timestables on TT rockstars - we've set up some battles between the classes. The first will run from Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> to Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>. Who will be crowned victorious - 3W, 3J or 3S?!

You might have noticed that Thursday's maths sheet involves choosing items in a shop and adding their prices together. Why not set up a shop in your home? You could find toys, food and any other random bits and bobs you might have, give them a price and 'sell' them to your family. You could name your shop, choose a uniform, create a price list and keep a record of your 'sales'! Please take a picture of your shop if you do have a go at this extra challenge- we'd love to see it ☺ You could also have a go at using an online drawing tutorial - 'Art for Kids Hub' on YouTube is one we have used in school and has hundreds of drawings to choose from.

Have a good week and make sure you stay safe! We miss you loads.

From Miss Stewart, Mrs Simpson, Mrs West and Mrs Beale