

Tuesday 9th February 2021

Half Term No-Screen Time Activities

Dear Parents,

Firstly, can we extend our **huge** thanks for your support with your children's Remote Learning activities this term. We know how busy you will have been and are so grateful for all you have done to support your children during this difficult time. The link below will take you to a short survey on our remote learning offer. We'd very much appreciate hearing your point of view.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=WJkYwkJ3IUCO_mSeekaTaCi8RWqP8DZOt7vzrgtlnBIUMUxaVFNKVDROSIY1OE9SRzc0VzIR0gxTy4u



We won't be posting any formal Remote Learning activities over the week beginning Monday 15th February and teachers won't be responding to any uploaded work or comments from families. If however, you are in need of five minutes peace in your day, Mrs Rowstron and I have prepared and scheduled a story to be released a chapter each day on our Facebook page!

Grab a cuppa and let us take the strain for a few minutes.

In response to growing national concern about the mental wellbeing of young people during the current lockdown, we would like to do something to address the amount of screen-time our pupils are experiencing. To this end, we have also planned a series of **No-Screen Time activities!**

During half term, our children are encouraged to spend minimal time in front of screens (whether this is mobile phones, computers or television) and instead take part in a range of activities aimed at improving their mental wellbeing. An extensive list of activities will be provided on **Friday 12th February** via **Tapestry/ Class Dojo**. But also feel free to try your own screen-free activities too!

We look forward to seeing examples of pupil's non-screen activities being posted onto your child's **Tapestry/ Class Dojo Page** (taking into consideration limited screen time being encourage on the day itself).

We hope that parents will support our efforts to encourage children to move away from their screens for this week and instead embrace the opportunity to try different tasks and activities. We know that this has been a long and trying half term for everyone and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and co-operation. We hope that non-screen days go some way to improving mental wellbeing of our pupils and that we can continue to build in non-screen sessions as a regular feature next half term!

Take care and stay safe!
Mrs G Bowser