



An unprecedented interruption to your child's education is something we never anticipated at the beginning of the year. Whilst this is certainly inconvenient for everyone, we hope that providing work will help to minimise the impact of missed school time and help keep your children's brains ticking over in the time between now and regular schooling being reinstated.

We have tried to make the tasks as easy to understand as possible and have provided supporting material for these where necessary. Many of the activities involve online resources as we hope these are easily accessible from any location and have a minimal environmental impact when compared to photocopying packs of work for each child.

We hope these activities are useful and are sure you'll have many other ideas to occupy, have fun with, and promote your children's learning. Any writing, reading, art, music or other areas of learning outside of the suggested tasks below are more than welcome in school upon return as we recognise that all children have different interests and we value each of these equally.

Year 4

Subject	Summary	Task
English	Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) make up the foundations of accurate writing. This week, I've included some practice mats on the school website.	1. This week, I'd love to see how creative you can be. I've placed a 'boring example' piece of writing on the website. When you open the document, the black writing is the one I want you to read first. 2. Discuss with someone at home – is this piece interesting? Is it well-written? Why? Why not? 3. Read the red text and discuss with someone at home whether this one is better. What makes it better? 4. Now re-write the black writing on your own. Continue the story in an exciting and interesting way. 5. If you'd like to share your work with me, please ask someone to email it through to me.
Reading	Reading should be enjoyable. Children should read for pleasure. The aim is to read at least once a day, for at least 15 minutes.	1. Talk about what you are reading. How are the characters feeling? Why did they choose to do something? What do you think will happen next? Etc.



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	https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/ has a selection of free ebooks to choose from, with accompanying activities. Our selected book for this term is 'Fleeced' by Julia Wills. It follows the story of Aries the ram and his search for the Golden Fleece. He travels from the Greek underworld and enters the modern day world. This can be purchased for 99p from Amazon if you would like to give it a read.	2. Select evidence from the book to support your answers. New books have been allocated on Rising Stars. Read the book and then complete the accompanying activities to test your understanding. Continue using spelling shed to practise those tricky words!
Maths	Continue working through the maths no problem textbooks. Any number work (adding, subtracting, multiplying or dividing) will help keep children's brains ticking. Times Table Rockstars (https://trockstars.com/) and 10ticks (https://www.10ticks.com/) are very helpful for mental agility activities.	1. One lesson of maths each day is a suggested amount. Use the maths no problem textbooks to guide you through the structure of the lesson and the approach to learning.
Topic: History	Chronological understanding of time is a key aspect of history; knowing when one thing fits with another is really important. Placing the Ancient Greek period in history is a vital part of understanding why certain aspects of life were that way.	1. Ask your parents about how the political system works in the UK. Who is 'in charge' of the UK? Who is in charge of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland? How did the current political party come into power (what is the system to give that person power)? How can people change who they want to lead the country? What do the other parties do? 2. Ancient Greece was similar in some ways to modern day Britain. However, it was also very different. Use the information linked below to make a list of similarities and differences between modern British politics and Ancient Greek politics. - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z87tn39/articles/z8q8wmn - https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_greek_government.php - http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/greece/athens.htm - http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/greece/sparta.htm
	Our new RE unit looks at Encounters across religions, with a	This week we will focus on Hinduism.



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RE	particular focus on Christianity, Hinduism and Islam.	1. Watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o-s0mN5P8jo which explains what happens inside a Hindu temple. 2. What are the features of a Hindu temple? 3. What symbols can be found? 4. How do Hindus use their sacred space? 5. What forms of worship take place here? 6. Can you note the similarities and differences between worshipping inside a Hindu temple and a church?
PE		1. The Joe Wicks workouts continue to be popular and are delivered live at 9am each morning via his YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1. Don't worry if you miss them though, they can also be watched at a later date. 2. Give a new sport a try. Perhaps you could try yoga inside using a guide online. Maybe you might like to go for a jog one evening. You may like to have a go at shadow boxing. Now is a great time to try something new and there are loads of guides online. 3. For a more relaxed approach, have a look at cosmic kids yoga on you tube. There are lots of different videos to choose from, and this will also help focus the mind.
French		1. Duolingo (a free app available on the app store or at https://www.duolingo.com/) is a great app to keep learning French independently and continues to be popular.
Music	Pupils have been assigned a module titled 'Music and Me' on Charanga.	1. Continue working through the module assigned on Charanga. Click on each lesson and work through the steps.

Throughout this tricky time, many educational websites are offering free online resources or access to help with home learning. Keep a look out on our twitter and Facebook pages for ideas of additional activities and links to online resources.



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Children have access to Rising Stars, Maths 10ticks, Times Tables Rockstars and Spelling Shed. These should be accessed weekly. Keep an eye on our social media pages for details of maths tournaments and pupil-teacher challenges!