Ellison Primary Academy Homework Menu
Spring 2020

Year Group: Reception | Unit: Change and Growth. | Term: Spring 2

Daily expectations: Reading, phonics, common exception words to read and spell –see back of home school links book for appropriate words. Maths Blast doubling, counting , counting within 20, one more one less of numbers up to 20, begin to count in 2's.		
Children enjoy being read to and sharing books with adults. We will be looking for children to be sharing books and reading at home to parents/carers. If children have not got access to books at home, but do have access to the internet then please access online books such as; oxford reading owls www.oxfordowl.co.uk or www.booktrust.org.uk (EYFS)		
Added extras		
Please encourage your child to complete as many of the activities from the menu. However, these need to be paced to ensure children do not rush their learning and complete them during the first day! Homework is to be recorded in their homework books as provided. However, if your child wishes to complete their learning through other means e.g. use of PowerPoint, Word, drawings or models then please save these items and upon return we will ask for them to be sent into school. We will then celebrate their learning together as a class.		
Read it	Research it	Design / Create it
Look at information books or online sources about changes and growth within plants or access the Jack and the Beanstalk on You Tube. Keep using your phoneme key ring. Read your school books. Can you act out your favourite story?	We have been studying about animals and plants. Find out about what plants and animals need to survive. Perhaps you could find out the life cycle of chicks, frogs or any other animal. List the key vocabulary and definitions linked to these life cycles. Could you sketch pictures of your chosen life cycle? Research a famous artist and create a piece of art work inspired by their style.	As part of our studies this term we have been learning about change and growth and we have been looking at the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk.' Design the giant's castle. Think about the different rooms in your house and which rooms the giant would use. Be as creative as you like- there may even be a quick exit room full of slides for Jack to fly down the beanstalk. Use junk modelling to create a 3D version of the castle. Can you talk about the properties of the 3D shapes that you have used to build your castle? Create a character description for your favourite character. Draw a picture of them and as a challenge can you think of any adjectives to describe your chosen character?
Practise it	Draw it	E-learn it
Can you practise a new skill that involves being active? Try hopping on the spot, star jumps etc. How many can you do in a minute? How many catches with one hand can you complete? Can you stand on one leg and then the other leg for 10 seconds?	Draw symbols of a weather chart and record what the weather is doing on a simple diary. How is it the same and how is it different? Draw any new signs of Spring that you notice and think about colour, line and tone when drawing.	Type in Marks into google and have a go at some of the Maths for Early Years interactive games. Here are some examples: Teddy numbers, Ladybird spots, Helicopter rescue, Coconut ordering.

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Share it	Say it	Learn it
Do you have a hidden talent or a favourite hobby? How can you share this with your friends? Can you take a series of photos or a video of you completing your Karate moves, dance moves, poetry to share when we are back at school? Take a photo of your cross stitch, knitting, baking, and keep-up football skills.	Prepare a 2-minute talk for your return to school on a topic of your choice e.g. a hobby, favourite holiday location, news item, animal etc.	Can you teach yourself a new skill? Is there something that you have always wanted to be able to do, but find really tricky? Try to improve your skills for a short time on a daily basis Juggling with one ball / juggling with two or three? Balancing on one foot? Tying a shoe lace? Trying a new sport?
Feel it	Sing it	Think it
Take some time to focus on how you are feeling. Can you talk about and recognise your emotions? Follow some of the 'Cosmic Yoga' episodes on You Tube. Lie on your back and place a teddy on your tummy. Take a deep breath in and watch the teddy rise on your tummy. Hold this for 5 seconds. Let the air out and watch the teddy fall. Repeat this until you feel calm and relaxed.	Learn a new song. Think of the different actions you could create to show what the lyrics are saying. We will look forward to learning your song with actions within school when we return.	This term we are learning about the story 'Jack and the beanstalk' Can you think of a creative way Jack could transport up and down the beanstalk to help him escape the giant? What sort of things could you add to you design to make it faster? Think about the design, what material you would use to build it and any problems that might occur. Please jot down your design and be ready to explain your idea to a small group.

Useful links:

Top marks: https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ - Maths games, number ordering 0-20. 1 more one less. Addition, subtraction.

Super movers KS1: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers - (Maths, English dance movement activities.)

Oxford Owl: https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/ - Sign up to receive free online fiction and non-fiction audio e-books for your child.