



Top Tip #1: keep a diary of your experience whilst you're off school. One day you'll have children or grandchildren of your own who may well ask you about this time. They'll love to see what you were up to. You could write it, type it, or use an app such as [Mystagram](#) which enables you to keep a photo diary that only you can see.

Word of the week	Empathy - the ability to identify with another person's feelings.
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Why not try to use the word of the week in an email to someone who would appreciate the communication? An elderly relative? A friend abroad? Someone that you know in the NHS?

Riddle of the week	I have a neck and no head, two arms but no hands. What am I?
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App of the week	Audible has made all of their books accessible for young people whilst we're off school. What a great opportunity to listen to some books!
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Each week we are going to ask three of our departments for some suggestions for things you could be getting up to either on your own or with your family. Remember, too, that we have access to the online newspaper [The Day](#) so that you can keep up to date and engaged with the news.

Department	What great ideas do they have?
History	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Why not use this time to do some research into your family history? It might give you something to talk to older relatives about on the phone. Do they remember any big moments in history: WWII; the Queen's Coronation; first man on the moon; fall of the Berlin Wall? Or you could use a website like ancestry.co.uk (often offer free trials) to dig a bit further back. You could also produce your own family tree; there are lots of websites to help with this such as this one. There are some great programmes to watch, with plenty on Iplayer ranging from Lucy Worsley's 'Royal History's Biggest Flubs' to more recent, social history in 'Back in Time for the Corner Shop' (on BBC 2 Tues 8pm). If you prefer something more dramatic and have Amazon Prime then how about Horrible Histories the Movie or the Hetty Feather series. On Netflix there's films like Darkest Hour (PG) or Dunkirk (12). Online there are some great sites for research, action and games. Have a look at: http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/handsonhistory/ https://schoolhistory.co.uk/games/ http://horrible-histories.co.uk/gory-games
Music	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The West End musical 'The Wind in The Willows' has been made available to stream for free here. What a great opportunity to see a West End production from your sofa! Did you know that lots of musicians and singers are doing private concerts from their home and streaming them online? Why not have a look on social media and see what you can find? Chris Martin is one example. There's a link to some concerts being streamed online here too. If you're an aspiring musician or song writer, how about using this time to write some of your own music?
Maths	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Maths Lectures on YouTube aim to inspire and engage everyone with mathematics. Give one a watch and see how the maths you have seen in the classroom can come to life! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4DrUHKC0Q There's nothing wrong with completing a sudoku at home when you are having some down time. Check out https://www.websudoku.com/ which has lots of online sudokus for you to choose from.

And finally, make sure you're checking in regularly with all of your Google Classroom work. Keep on top of the work that you've been set, and get in touch with your teachers if you're struggling to understand or access work.

Getting through this time is about everybody doing their bit. What have you been doing? You've probably come across some great stuff online (or done some great stuff with your family) that you think everyone would enjoy. Why not email your suggestions to Mrs Fox (l.fox@stokesleyschool.org) and then next week everyone can be doing it!
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