

Weekly Bulletin 30.03.2020

Some things to learn, do, investigate and explore this week!

Top Tip #2:

You might not have seen it on the website yet, but we now have a <u>Wellbeing Journal</u> which you can be getting on with at home. It can be strange to have a sudden change of routine, and it can sometimes make you feel a bit out of sorts. Doing some of the tasks, activities and challenges in here will help you to understand how you're feeling and - of course - give you some more things to do!

Word of the week	Amiable - the quality of being friendly or good-natured.
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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	If eleven plus two equals one, what does nine plus five equal?
App of the week	<u>Calm</u> is an app which links in with our Top Tip of the week. It's an app which helps you to think about keeping calm when things all feel a bit too much.

Remember 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?
ICT	 Play a new video game and then write a review of it and send it to your ICT teacher. Discuss the story, graphics, gameplay, etc. and include an image and score out of 10. Create a blog of what you are doing each day and the recent news. You could do it on a Google Doc and either keep it private or share with family. You might even want to include videos, in which case it would be a vlog. Imagine reading it in years to come! Plan and create an animation using Powtoon online. You could create something to share with friends or family or on a specific subject. Brush up on your typing skills by using Typing Club online. You can sign in with your school Google account and it saves your progress.
English	 Turn a painting into a story. In the Languages section, there are links to virtual tours of art galleries. One of the things artists attempt to do in paintings is tell a story. Can you pick a painting that you find particularly interesting, and write the story that you think the artist is trying to tell? Another virtual tour you might take is of the National Gallery in London: There has never been a better time to learn a poem by heart. Poems can bring consolation at worrying times (see W.H. Henley's 'Invictus' or Adam Zagajewski's 'Try to praise the mutilated world'). Explore here or here for a poem that speaks to you. There are lots of English-related quizzes on Sporcle. Can you find the correct spellings in time on this one?
Languages	Watch: Go on your very own school trip without the tortuous coach journey! These famous cultural centres have created online tours you can access at home: Le Louvre (Paris), El Prado (Madrid), Duetsche Museum (Muenchen). Practise: Download a language-learning app and revise key vocabulary. In particular, Duolingo and Memrise allow you to compete with people all over the world. You could even make a Quizlet then share the code with your friends so you can all practise (and compete!) together. Do: Make your own photo card! Draw your room/house and describe what you see, like you would when describing what's in a photo.

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 (<u>l.fox@stokesleyschool.org</u>) and then next week everyone can be doing it!