

Monday 11th May 2020



Hi Zambezi,

This week seems to have gone quite fast. I've had a go at some clay modelling which was quite tricky and made some biscuits which were surprisingly delicious! I hope you have enjoyed the first chapter of our book on youtube, Miss Miller has done a fantastic job of chapter 1.

I have finished reading a book this week in between attempting to cook curry and making new rainbows for our windows. I have enjoyed seeing the work you have sent through and am watching TTR to see how the battle is going. As I type this letter our class is in first place!!

Keep safe,
Mrs Stevens



This week was my sister's 22nd birthday, we played family games, ate the donut cake I made for her and ordered a takeaway. I have been enjoying the sunshine in the garden, planting flowers and continuing with my scrapbook. Missing everyone lots! Hope you are all keeping safe and having fun.

Miss Curnock

Hi Zambezi,

Thank you so much to those of you who are sending pictures to us. We love seeing the work and activities you have been doing at home. I have been keeping up with Joe Wicks again this week. I can now hold a plank for the full time without stopping which means I am getting better! Maybe we can have a competition when we return to school? I am planning to weed my garden this weekend - its the one job I really dislike doing but I am sure I will feel much better once it has been done!

Keep sending us the pictures of your work. It makes us all smile!

Miss Miller 😊

Weekly Challenge:

Don't forget, every week we are going to set a **weekly challenge** for you to complete and email a picture or document to head@ferndale.swindon.sch.uk, then it will be forwarded to us.

This week your challenge will be for **Science**. Following on from last week's sound hunt activity, your challenge is in two parts. Firstly, can you research how sound is made, how it travels and how we hear it. Write a paragraph explaining the process and add in any diagrams or pictures that will help your explanation. Here are a couple of links to help you...

<https://youtu.be/3-xKZKxXuu0>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgffr82>

Once you have completed that, make your own musical instrument out of recycled materials that you can find around the home - empty cereal boxes, tins, bottles, string, etc. This link has some great ideas to help you...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fIZPNP3tibw>

In **English** this week we would have been starting a narrative unit - writing an adventure story about meeting a Celt. Why don't you have a go! Remember to think about the five parts of a story, and use lots of expanded noun phrases to describe the scene and characters.

In **Maths** this week we would have begun a new unit. Time! By the end of year 4, children are expected to be able to read the time on an analogue clock to the nearest minute and convert time between analogue and digital.

Here is a clock game (we put it on the year 4 sheet that came home in March)

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/time/teaching-clock>

Here is a set of adding time questions.

https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/118/adding_time_word_problems#

Extra exciting competition alert!

Ferndale are currently battling Abbey Meads Primary school on TT Rockstars. We need YOUR help! Points towards winning the battle can be scored between 9-6pm daily.



Other ideas for this week:

- Design your own Celtic shield - the shields were used in battle by the Celts and other ancient tribes as their main weapon for defence. Celtic shields were usually oval or elongated oval in shape but they could also be round or hexagon shaped.
<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/celts/shields.html>
- Write your own maths shopping challenge and send it to a friend, challenge your siblings or even your teacher!
- Make a diary for the day, record the times of the activities that you do. Remember to write the time to the nearest minute.

- Fitness challenge... Roll a dice and depending on the number, do the following activities... (if you don't have a dice, write the numbers 1-6 on pieces of paper and draw them out a pot).
 - Roll a 1 = 10 star jumps
 - Roll a 2 = 10 hops on each leg
 - Roll a 3 = 10 burpees
 - Roll a 4 = sprint on the spot for 20 seconds
 - Roll a 5 = the plank for 30 seconds
 - Roll a 6 = 10 squats

- Have a go at a self-portrait using paints or pencils.

Take care and stay safe,

Mrs Stevens, Miss Miller, Miss Curnock