

Hollywood Home Learning News 3 - April 2020



We hope this finds all our families well...And getting settled into being together at home.

Changes in Circumstances: lots of families are facing huge changes due to work, reduced income and increased expenses. Please get in touch and we'll see if we can help. Also look out for e-mails from Education and the Council which signpost to different schemes and resources which are being made available during this Pandemic.

Digital Learning: We have been asked by the government to write out to all families to ask if they have access to online learning. This is to ensure that we are providing learning resources and activities that all of our pupils can access. If you are not online at home we can sort out paper resources and a collection point. If you have access to online but need a device get in touch and we'll see what we can do to help. I will be asking Mrs Jardine to text out to families this week - we need your responses to ensure we are getting it right for all learners.

Home Learning:

Just before the holidays we had two or three families getting in touch looking for a bit more structure to the home learning day. In a recent meeting the staff team discussed how we can provide structure with flexibility - as it is essential that our families continue to do things at home the way that works for them. You might be working outside for a large part of the day; home working indoors and trying to home school or you may have a learner who benefits from a more structured day. We hope we have found solutions, we are certain you will let us know!

	9 – 9.30am	9.30 – 10.35am	11am – 12.15pm	1 – 2pm	2 - 3pm
Monday	Wake up Shake up	Literacy – Phonics/ Spelling, Reading, Writing, Talking and Listening	Maths	Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL) Project = Living Things	P4 -7 Genius Hour P1-3 Big Break
Tuesday	Wake up Shake up	Literacy	Maths	IDL Project = Living Things	Modern Languages - French
Wednesday	Wake up Shake up	Literacy	Maths	IDL Project = Living Things	
Thursday	Big Thursday				
	Music	Art	Outdoor / STEM	Computer Science	
Friday	BIG READ	Health and Wellbeing	Maths – practical maths, problem solving	Mrs Queen, Mrs Madden and Mrs Nyondo's BIG CRAFT CHOOSE Afternoon	

The Time table (a copy will be emailed out):

We have put together a whole school timetable. If you need a structured week, this is what it could look like.

Sticking to one timetable across the school simplifies things for our families with more than one pupil.

This timetable is for the whole term. The only thing that will change is the project possibly in 3 or 4 weeks time.

BUT remember you can change, shuffle or mix it up as much as you like as it is your home school!

Now to the learning activities...

Wake Up Shake Up – Start each day with a burst of exercise to get body and brain switched on and ready to learn. Fischy Music, Joe Wickes and Zumba for Kids are just a few of the sites available online. You could put on a favourite track and dance; find Scottish tunes and practise the social dances; put your own exercises to music; run around the garden. You choose!

Maybe your child could put an exercise routine on the blog for us to try out (Bailey and Larsson?!?)

Literacy – On a Monday staff will put a Literacy choices grid on the blog in the class Home Learning page. The grid will give you 5 or 6 different activities. They will include reading, writing, listening and talking tasks.

Spelling Workout / Phonics - do a little everyday to keep these skills moving forward.

Maths – On a Monday staff will put a Maths choices grid on the blog in the class Home Learning page. The grid will give you 5 or 6 different activities. On a Friday a Maths Problem or a practical maths task will be added to the Learning Pages.

Sumdog and Hollywood Maths Homework Options – 2 excellent ways to keep your numeracy skills from going rusty!

Living Things – On a Monday staff will put a Living Things grid on the blog everyone in school will be studying the same topic (to make it easier for families with more than one of our pupils!!). Each grid will have 4 activities for you to undertake each week.

Living Things was a term 4 project on our programme for this year. We also thought it would be great to undertake a project that was practical and might get you outdoors more and away from your computer!

P4-7 Genius Hour – Last term pupils in P4-7 chose a question to research or a new skill to develop. Pupils can choose to complete the Genius Hour project they started or to start a new project.

Modern Languages, French – An activities grid for French will be posted on the blog (possibly on a Tuesday – I’ve still to speak to Madam Hamilton!).

BIG THURSDAY – everyone will be e-mailed out a Big Thursday plan each week. This term: Music- Miss Stapleton, Outdoor/STEM- Miss Pattie, Art - Mrs Jardine, Computer Science - Miss Brockie-Donald.

Big Read – EPIC, Oxford Owl, a book of your choice, sharing a family story. Plus Mrs Jardine will be creating a Big Read page on the blog with weekly tasks and activities.

Health and Wellbeing - some activities based around the Health and Wellbeing curriculum and KiVa will be on the home learning pages on the blog each Friday.

Mrs Queen, Mrs Madden and Mrs Nyondo’s Big Craft Choose Afternoon— Mrs Queen, Mrs Madden and Mrs Nyondo will be posting different activities on the blog on a Friday for you to try out. We know it will be lots of fun!

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We will continue to use the Blog to put up new learning activities just as we did before the holidays.

We look forward to seeing pupils post up completed tasks, home learning activities, book reviews, creative ideas and some more of the fun and zany things you get up to at home!

Look out for the latest Miss Dale’s Tall tales!

Try out some of the amazing recipes posted by staff and pupils.

Massive Health Warning!

Please take it easy and do what you can.

We do expect all members of the Hollywood School Community to engage in some level of home learning.

We don’t expect everyone to do everything—we just want you to do what is right for you and your family.

Not all at once? Try out bits of the timetable - go for a range of activities. No avoiding all the writing tasks P5-7!!

We want to create lots of choice and plenty to interest.

We know that some days will be easier than others—do what you can.

Need our help? E-mail the school office, text us or leave a message on the school answer machine and we’ll get back to you. I am currently working on getting a school mobile phone to make communications a bit easier.

Stay in touch! Stay Safe! Stay at Home!