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## **Newsletter**

### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

Dear parents/carers,

Once again and huge thank you to all our parents for their interaction with the class dojo site this week. Staff have been really impressed with the wide range of learning that the children have been uploading on their class pages. We have had fantastic space displays using a wide range of resources and materials, rocket launches, children following Mrs Johnstone's recipes and creating delicious dishes and using her craft ideas to produce beautiful bunting as well as lots of English and maths learning too! We just want to remind you that you are doing a fantastic job and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of you. Keep going we're almost there.

We have one week left before the half term holidays, so let's keep going until then. After the half term we will begin our new focused topic on 'The Rainforest'. We are trying to make this as fun and interactive as possible and our English learning will be linked to this topic too.

As part of our PHSE this week, Mrs Lee has posted some mental health and well being activities that you could do at home. There are also some great ideas that you could look at on this website:

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

Once again, we would like to say that we are all in this together. If you need to speak to anyone, please do not hesitate to pick up the phone, email or send a message on Class Dojo.

You are doing a great job!

Hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Stay safe,  
Mrs Cook



### **Teams Meetings**

Mrs Lee and I have really enjoyed meeting with the children who are learning remotely each week through our Teams meetings. It has been so nice to see everyone and for the children to have time to interact with each other even if it is only virtual. Within our meetings, we have been able to discuss and share ideas on the learning that we have been doing that week, as well as go over any misconceptions that the children may have had with their learning. Remember to message us on the dojo if you don't understand your learning or are finding things difficult; we will always get back to you to offer support.

### **Next half term there will be some changes to the timing of our Teams meetings:**

- **Reception, year 1 and 2** – WEDNESDAY at 1pm
- **Year 3 and 4** - WEDNESDAY at 11am
- **Year 5 and 6** – THURSDAY at 11am

Remember to log in through your calendar on teams as the meetings will be set up already on there.

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### **Sporting Achievements**

This half term we have been recording the amount of exercise that we have been doing and these results have been set to Miss Scullion who has been keeping a running total of the amount of exercise each school across the Dartmoor Federation have completed. **I am pleased to share with you that Northlew is at the top of the league for class 2 children across the Federation schools, with over 30, 000 minutes of exercise collected between you!** Come on class 1 we need your results sent into school so that we can get you up on the leader board too.

We also have another celebration of sport with **Kieran Hatt being awarded a silver medal** for his achievements with the cross-country efforts in our Devon Virtual Games event. Our next virtual games event which will begin next half term is skipping, more details of how you can take part will be shared with you at the beginning of next half term. Well done everyone, keep recording your exercises and sending them into school.



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### **Remote Learning Parent Questionnaire**

Thank you to all those parents to took the time to complete the questionnaire over the last week. The results were extremely positive and many parents have found the flexibility of the learning much easier to manage whilst juggling their working hours too. From the feedback we have received, we plan to make a few changes to the class dojo to enable our children and parents to navigate around the class page better for after half term. Within each class, under classroom, we have spilt the children into their own particular class set so they can see the learning that is relevant to them without having to scroll through the classroom page. We hope this will make things easier for the children to find what they need. Mrs Lee and I will be planning a separate English sequence for both classes

which will link with our topic on the rainforest. Our maths learning will look at topic areas from the white rose scheme which will be age appropriate and again there will be worksheets to go along with all the lessons. If there is anything else we could provide you with to best support your child at home, please do not hesitate to let us know.



### **Safer Internet Day 2021**

On Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Feb it's Safer Internet Day, and with the increased usage of technology its more important now than ever to make sure children are

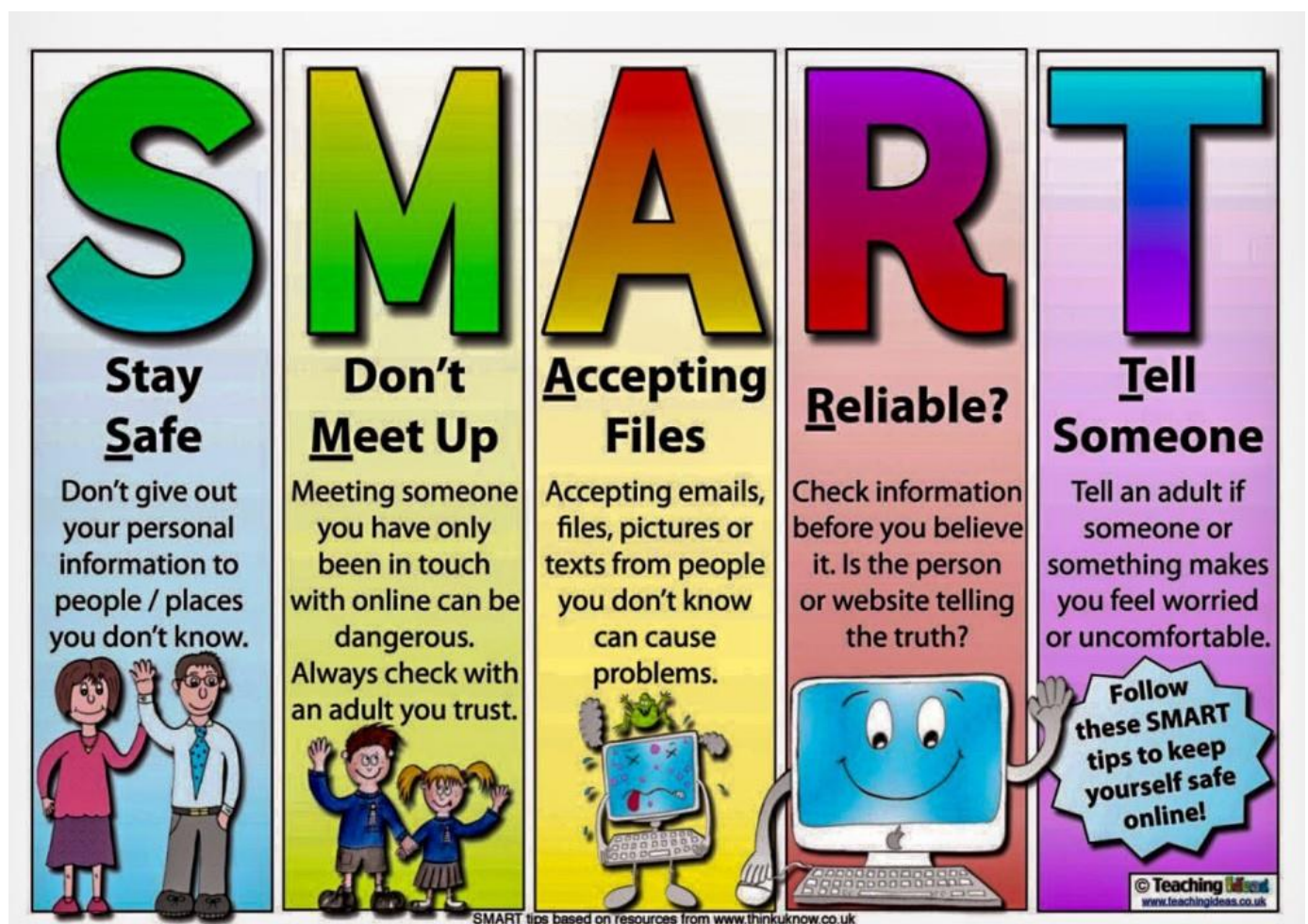
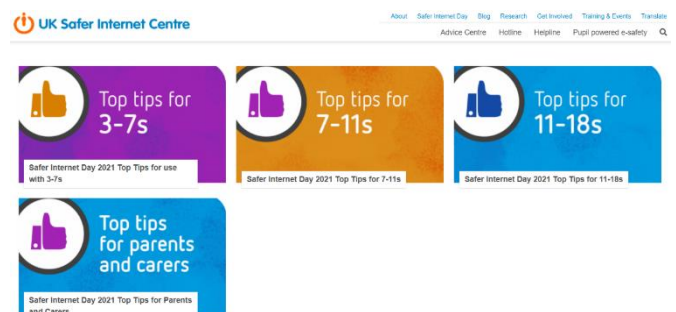
staying safe while online. Please take a look at the links below for useful links, advice and support for all ages.

**Link to safety quiz for children age 7-11**

[Safer Internet Day 2021 Quiz | Safer Internet Centre](#)

**Click this link to visit their website**

[Safer Internet Day 2021 Top Tips | Safer Internet Centre](#)



SMART tips based on resources from [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

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# Northlew C of E Primary School

## Learning Overview

Week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021

Subject	Reception	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
English	Oak academy The Emperor's New Clothes Lessons 1-5	Oak academy How Butterflies Came to be Lessons 1-5	Oak academy The Suitcase Kid by Jacqueline Wilson Lessons 1-5	Oak academy Inspirational figures - Biographical writing Lessons 6-10
Phonics/spelling	Phase 3	Phase 5	Apostrophes	Polysyllabic words
Maths	White Rose Maths  Comparing Mass	White Rose Maths  Recap Money and Money Problems	Oak academy Measures Lessons 6-10	Oak academy Problem solving with whole numbers and decimals Lessons 1-5
Science	The Human Body: Senses		The Human Body: Circulatory system	
Topic	Space: Other features of space		Space: Other features of space	
Music	To develop their musical skills this week, the children will have the chance to compose pitch patterns using 'Melody Maker' by Chrome Music Lab, a free online resource. They will then be able to add simple lyrics about space to their tunes.		This week, the children will have another opportunity to compose using 'Song Maker' created by Chrome Lab. This time they will compose a melody to describe something that happens in space.	
Forest School	Measuring trees		Measuring trees	
PSHE	Understanding Emotions-Brave Feelings: Brave	Maintaining friendships	Mental health and emotional wellbeing	
RE	Judaism: What is Chanukah?		Islam: What is the Qur'an and Hadith?	
PE	Weekly challenge from Miss Scullion		Weekly challenge from Miss Scullion	
Art/DT	Toilet roll book competition/Nanna's soup		Toilet roll book competition/Nanna's soup	

Please find an outline above of the lessons we will be covering this week. All links to all the lessons, including Oak Academy links are on the class dojo. Staff will be uploading videos and tutorials to help support the children with different subjects. Again, all links to these will be on the class dojo, children just need to click on the link to view the lessons.

We are asking that children complete 5 lessons of English and maths each week, how you complete these lessons we are leaving to each household to decide. We have included the timetable that the children who are attending school are following, if you can follow this that would be great, but please amend this to best suit your family's needs.

Our weekly teams' meetings have now been set up with years 1 to 6. These weekly meetings will give the children the opportunity to discuss their learning with their class teacher and provide an opportunity for some direct teaching. Please note the time of your child/ren's meetings below:

Each Wednesday

Year 3 and 4

11am

Each Thursday

Year 5 and 6

11am

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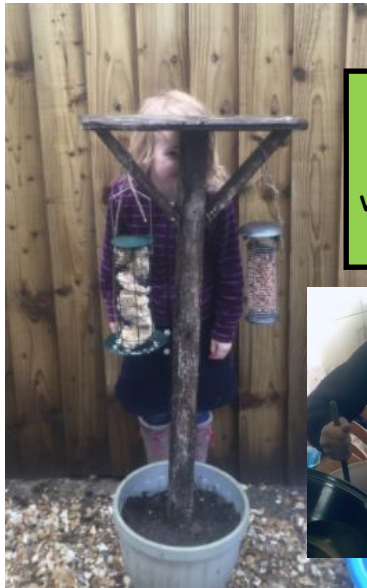
Year 1 and 2

1pm

Once again, if there is anything we can support you with, please do not hesitate to contact us directly at school on 01409 221 420 or by email: [admin@northlew.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@northlew.devon.sch.uk)



# Class 1's Learning This Week



Laila has been busy making her own bird feeders for her garden and is looking forward to seeing what birds pay a visit to her garden to feed of it. Well done Laila.



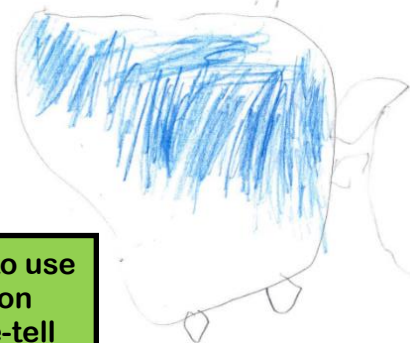
Zac made his own space rocket and had a go at launching into the air using a foot pump.



Freddie collected natural materials to construct a bird's nest during Forest School.



The whale made the fairies wet because a mango falled on his head and he swished his tail.



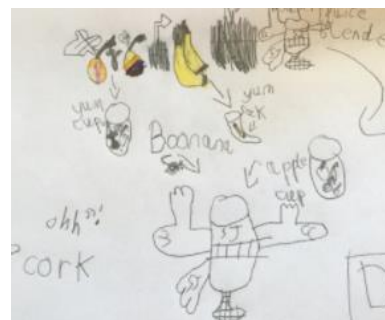
Dylan was able to use the conjunction 'because' to re-tell part of a class adapted story about the Pirate Fairies.



As part of our PHSE and science learning this week, Ollie has made himself a healthy snack and come up with some ideas for super healthy juice too. Great work Ollie!



Zac has followed Mrs Johnstone's instructions to make his own delicious pizza and created his own solar system with a 3D model of a rocket too. It looks fantastic Zac, great learning!





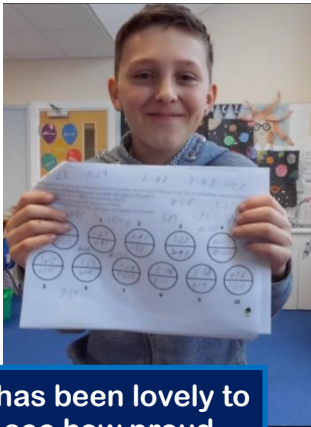
# Class 2's Learning This Week



This week the children in school created their own den using the willow. Using a wooden tripod, the children wove willow around it to create their den. They then placed leaves on top to create shade and to weatherproof it a bit more. They had lots of fun doing this and made a wonderful shelter. Great teamwork everyone!

Initially, Arabella was finding the English difficult. With lots of determination and focus she has been able to create a beautiful piece of writing using the features we have been discussing. Well done Arabella!

In the blink of an eye, the fiery, golden beetle shot off into the distance. The petrified horse reared up and they bolted rapidly after it. As the magical creature zipped around the sand, Jazar stared in wonder. Suddenly, the fiery bug split in two and it dived into a sand dune. The ground began to tremor and erupt. Jazar's heart suddenly beat uncontrollably as he saw a hideous, gigantic beast's face rise from the desert.



It has been lovely to see how proud Ethan has been whilst rounding his decimals to whole numbers. Well done Ethan!

Charlie has made use of some of his DT skills to create his own wooden pellet launcher. He has reflected on this and improved it by using a different type of spring within it. This is a really creative piece and has been thoroughly thought through with lots of features to keep him safe. Well done Charlie.



Darcie has made a beautiful rocket this week and has been experimenting to see how far it can go. It was brilliant watching the video and hearing her excited response. Well done Darcie.



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After initially finding equivalent fractions difficult Winnie persevered and was able to apply this skill to a variety of different fractions and explain what they are clearly. Brilliant perseverance Winnie!

