

**Reception Class Home learning**  
**Week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

Welcome to this week's learning newsletter and thank you for the remote learning you are doing at home with your children. We recognise the extra strain this puts on families and we really appreciate you keeping the children, your family and us safe by staying at home and following the rules.

Thank you for the updates, photos and videos you have been sharing with me - we have loved finding out how the children are getting on. Please continue to send these through to me and don't forget that if you have any concerns or questions about remote learning you can contact me via my email [staff16@croft.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:staff16@croft.staffs.sch.uk). In addition, if you wish me to give you a call to check in with you just drop me an email and I will endeavour to give you a call at some point during the week when I am not teaching. Keep an eye on The Croft Primary School Facebook page for information and links that you might find useful.

As usual - any worksheets I have included have been uploaded to MiniMash and I have included a video message from me. If you require the worksheets to be printed out, then please contact me via email and I will let you know a time to pick them up. If you need your child's login details, please let me know.

**We have some exciting news. We will be celebrating National Handwriting Day on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January. We are holding a competition for the best piece of handwriting work. I would like you to copy your name in your best handwriting (this can be their first name or full name) Please use all of the handwriting skills that we have been practising including: holding your pencil correctly, using a capital letter at the beginning of your name and forming the letters correctly. (I have uploaded a handwriting sheet and a letter formation video on to MiniMash to help you) If you would like to enter the competition, then please send me a photo of your entry before Thursday morning.**

**There will be a winner chosen from the children in school and a winner from the children who are working from home. We can't wait to see your amazing work! The winners will be announced on The Croft Primary School Facebook page and prizes will be handed out in school or delivered to your home!**

In our **Phonics** lessons this week, we are going to review and practise blending using the sounds we know. Use the flashcards in your home learning pack to continue practising the sounds and 'tricky words' that your child has been learning. There are ideas for games to play in your pack too.

In **Literacy** we will be working on the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' with **Miss Doherty**.

In **Maths** we are adding and subtracting using objects, a ten frame and by counting on and back using a numbertrack with **Mrs Khaira**.

**Monday**

**Phonics** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mmAQWVtgkaE&feature=youtu.be>

**Maths** - In this lesson, we will be using countable objects and ten frames to count on to ten.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/using-manipulatives-to-count-on-when-adding-60vpat>

**R.E/PSED/UW** - In this lesson with **Miss Hughes** you will think about who your friends are and what things we can do to be a good friend. We will listen to and map the story of 'The Lion and The Mouse' to remind us how important it is to be a good friend.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-listen-to-a-story-70tk8c>

**P.E.** - Cosmic Kids Yoga - Norris the Baby Seahorse <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iFuobePKER8>

## Tuesday

**Phonics** - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sbi\\_m3rrqI&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sbi_m3rrqI&feature=youtu.be)

**Literacy** - In this lesson children will be introduced to the story of Goldilocks, they will listen to it and begin to join in.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-listen-to-and-join-in-with-a-story-6mt62r>

**Maths** - In this lesson, we will be using a number track to support counting on to ten.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/adding-two-numbers-using-a-number-track-to-count-on-cmvk0t>

**Handwriting** - Encourage your child to write their name (full name or just first name) in their best handwriting. Remember that they will need to use a capital letter at the beginning and they will need to form the letters correctly.

## Wednesday

**Phonics** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8TZDJxexJlg&feature=youtu.be>

**Literacy** - In this lesson children will create a story map. They will then use this story map to tell the story. This will help them to learn the story by heart.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-map-and-speak-the-story-crr64c>

**Maths** - In this lesson, we will explore the concept of subtraction as take away through telling 'first, then and now' stories.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/understanding-the-concept-of-subtraction-as-take-away-part-1-cmu32r>

**Topic** - We join **Miss Sidenius** in learning about what makes a good habitat. We consider the three things that all animals need and make our own habitat for an animal or animals of our choice using a box. You could draw or paint a picture instead of making it in a box.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-understand-what-makes-a-good-habitat-70ukjd>

## Thursday

**Phonics** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oR2IOpdJLfU&feature=youtu.be>

**Literacy** - In this lesson children will draw and label settings from the story. Encourage your child to use the sounds they know and can hear in each word to help them write the labels. Don't expect exact spelling - using their phonic knowledge is more important.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-draw-and-label-settings-68vp8c>

**Maths** - In this lesson, we will continue to explore the concept of subtraction as take away through telling 'first, then and now' stories.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/understanding-the-concept-of-subtraction-as-take-away-part-2-6nk3et>

**Music** - On our first visit to the Woodland, we will discover what animals have been making footprints. We will learn a new song about a bird and a Russian Folk song about a Birch Tree with **Mrs Wright**.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/the-woodland-part-1-6nj30t>

## Friday

**Phonics** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IToKgyqf4yw&feature=youtu.be>

**Literacy** - In this lesson children will write sentences describing each of the settings in the story. You can help your child by saying each word slowly and encouraging them to hear the sounds. Don't worry if they don't hear every sound - they may just hear the first and last sound - that's fine.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-write-sentences-describing-settings-in-the-story-6gwkce>

**Maths** - In this lesson, we will practise adding and subtracting using a number track and manipulatives to help us.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/adding-and-subtracting-using-a-number-track-crv6at>

**National Handwriting Day** - I have uploaded a powerpoint onto MiniMash with ideas for activities that you can do to help your child develop the skills they need to help them with their handwriting. You can try some of these and don't forget colouring, painting, playdough and any activity using their fingers and hands will help your child develop the skills they need to write.

## Extra Activities

### Phonics

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Phonics play have opened up their website so that all activities and games are free again. We use this website lots in school and the children are really familiar with it. Username and password are included below. Please log the children on and they can play and practise their sounds in a fun and interactive way. This week I would recommend 'Grab a Giggling Grapheme' and 'Dragon's Den'. Select Phase 2 and/or Phase 3 for both games.

Username - jan21

Password - home

### P.E

The link below will take you to some fun movement and dance activities to get your child moving.

Can you move like a crab, alligator or bear? <https://sites.google.com/alice-smith.edu.my/jbklassfit/pe-activities/eyfs-year-2/locomotion-and-movement/animal-movements>

Have a look at the Virtual Three Peaks Challenge on our school website.

Can you take on the iconic three peaks challenge in your **local area**? You can challenge yourself to complete this individually or in a team with members of your family who you live with. The aim of this challenge is to keep all family members as active as possible during lockdown. You can walk, jog or cycle (as long as these activities are allowed according to the most up to date Covid guidance).



Please continue to send me regular photos and updates of how you are getting on at home and together we can continue to support your child's learning.

Have a great week everyone!