P6 and P7 Newsletter 2019-20

The ‘Snow’ Edition

We hope that this newsletter finds you all safe and well. We haven’t experienced any snow yet, nevertheless, nobody can predict what will happen weather-wise.

Therefore, we are writing to let you know about some of the activities that your child could partake in should we have any ‘snow days’ this winter.

We appreciate that while many children stay at home on snow days, others go off to Grandparent’s, childminder’s and friends’ houses where internet access may not be available. Therefore there is a range of suggested activities below that your child could try:

* Get outside and have fun making snowmen and snow angels. How far can you run in the snow? How many snowballs can you make in five minutes?
* Challenge yourself! Can you manage the morning or afternoon without your phone or tablet? Why not play a board game instead.
* If you are sledging how does the steepness of the slope, size of push and mass in your sledge affect the speed and distance you travel?
* **Make a powerpoint** to teach your classmates about one aspect of your current topic. Try to put in pictures and experiment with different transitions and effects.
* **Spend time learning your times tables** that you feel less confident in. See if you can impress your teacher when you get back to school!
* **Make up some tricky word maths problems for your friends to try**!
* **Build a snowy den**. If you search on the internet you will find out how to build a plain, boring, round igloo. Being Fishermoss pupils, we’d expect that children would have much more fun building interesting, unique dens in a range of different styles and sizes. If you build one, please share your photographs with the class.
* **Visit the maths website below**.
* **Make a snowflake that tessellates.** Can you create some art using your tessellations?
* **Create a leaflet about how to stay safe in the snow, using prior knowledge.**
* **Write a newspaper article** about impact that the weather is having in Aberdeenshire.
* **Write a snowman acrostic poem** to read to your class when you get back. If you have a microphone, can you record it and share with your class.
* **Read two more chapters of your reading book** or any novel you are reading. Choose a book detective task to do.
* **Make up a recipe for a super healthy winter smoothie, give it a name and then design a poster to advertise it.**
* **Create a word search using snowy vocabulary.** Use a dictionary and/or Thesaurus to helpyou find new and interesting wow words.
* **Take a photo of a snow scene** and bring to share with your class mates. Be prepared to talk about it.
* **Log into Power Language Platform or Atantot (login details are in diaries)**  and play games to uplevel your French and Spanish vocabulary.
* Collect some of the snow and experiment with melting- which containers prevent the snow from melting? What happens if you form the snow into snowballs first? How could you measure the rate of melting? You could record your results as well.

Be prepared to chat about your snow day in class upon your return. Thank you all for your support and I hope that your child has lots of fun but learns at the same time.

Please remember that these are just suggestions, there is no expectation that all tasks are done, and it is more important to get outside and enjoy the snow which will benefit health and wellbeing whilst creating happy memories.


Kind regards

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**Possible websites to visit**

<https://www.natgeokids.com/>

https://thekidshouldseethis.com/

[www.sumdog.com](http://www.sumdog.com)

[www.fuelthebrain.com](http://www.fuelthebrain.com)

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

<https://powerlanguage.school/>

https://www.atantot.com/

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Any other topic related websites