



Holiday Home Learning

Week beginning 25th May 2020

Please don't feel you *have* to do any on the activities in this guide. We are providing it to try and keep you entertained during this strange time. Have fun and stay safe!

The Annual Wharncliffe Side School May Half Term Outdoor Art Challenge

This year, the challenge is to make some outdoor art or a sculpture using natural materials. You can do this in your back garden or as part of your daily walk. Take a picture of the finished piece and send it to Mr Borg: mborg@wharncliffeside.sheffield.sch.uk

Mr Hartley and Mrs Harrison will judge the competition and there will be a KS1 and a KS2 winner. Closing date is Sunday 30th May 2020.

For inspiration, take a look at the work of Andy Goldsworthy:
<https://yvsp.org.uk/exhibitions/andy-goldsworthy-exhibition>



There is still time to enter our School Council Talent Show!

If your child would like to enter, please video their performance and email it to schoolcouncil@wharncliffeside.sheffield.sch.uk by 5pm on the 31st May. The rules are below:

- Videos must be no more than 3min long
- Children can perform on their own or with siblings (NOT with friends!)
- 'Acts' can be anything you want: singing, dancing, playing an instrument, telling jokes (as long as they're not rude!), football skills

Entries will be judged by the school council and the shortlist will be shared on social media for everyone to vote! (So please don't enter if you don't give permission for this). Good luck!

Song Writing Project

For a while I've been thinking about a song writing project. We have a very talented bunch of children (and families) and I'm hoping that you could share your ideas and thoughts to write a school song.

We are very lucky that we have Paul Hawksworth (a talented singer songwriter/musician) working with our school, doing guitar lessons and teaching singing to Key Stage Two children. He has offered to help us attempt to put ideas together and turn it into a song.

Our staff and community are proud of our school. The overwhelming response from visitors to our school is 'What a friendly, welcoming, special place it is.' So I'm thinking that our song could be called 'Special Place'. The rest is over to you really. What does our school mean to you or your family? Could you share words or phrases that could be included in the song?

After talking to the Year 6 children last week, we already have some ideas which sum up the attributes of children in our school, our school values or what school means to them. Their ideas include 'Don't give up, don't give in', 'Set your targets high and soar to the sky', 'Hearts filled with pride' 'Friendship and laughter is the key' etc. You could think of it a bit like a poem (it doesn't have to rhyme!). It might be one word, a phrase or a whole chorus...please share your ideas and with Paul's help, I hope we can write something special about our special place. Written ideas, videos or even voice memos can be emailed to charrison@wharnciffeside.sheffield.sch.uk

I look forward to hearing your ideas.

Many thanks,

Mrs Harrison



Looking for some heartwarming entertainment to enjoy from the comfort of your own home? Country Living have rounded up the best animal live streams from around the world. You can watch pandas in Edinburgh Zoo, elephants in Dublin and much more... all for FREE!

<https://www.countryliving.com/uk/wildlife/counterside/g31784857/live-animal-webcam-zoo/>

Or, if you're feeling brave, go on a **VIRTUAL SAFARI!**

Go to Google (through your browser, not the app), type in the name of an animal*. Half way down the page the option will come up to [view in 3D](#).

**please note this doesn't work for all animals. We have found it works with: tiger, lion, brown bear, snake and cheetah. How many more can you find?*

You need to wiggle the screen around to get the animal into view and then you can edit it by zooming in with the size etc. Once your animal is in position, ask your child to pose near to the space it appears on the screen and take photos – they will be amazed! The animals move around while on the screen, shaking their heads etc so they appear very realistic and are also great for making videos of.

Have a go and have fun!



The tiger is the largest extant cat species and a member of the genus *Panthera*. It is most recognisable for its dark vertical stripes on orange-brown fur with a lighter underside. It is an apex predator, primarily preying on ungulates such as deer and wild boar. [Wikipedia](#)

Meet a life-sized tiger up close



[View in 3D](#)



Remember, this week's School Standard is: 'Stay Active' – make sure you get plenty of exercise.

Regular exercise relieves stress, improves memory, helps you sleep better and boosts your overall mood.



Did you see Mr Hartley's video on our [YouTube Channel?](#)

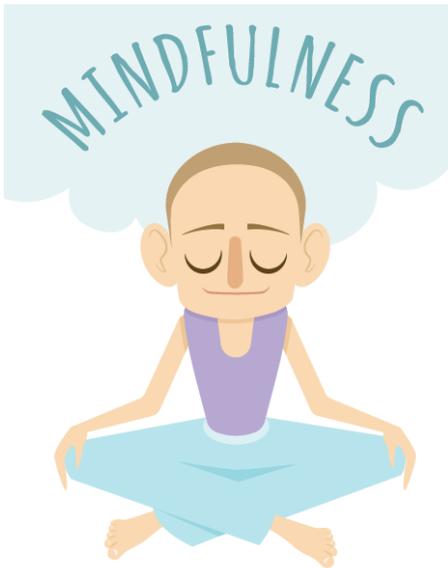


MIND JAR

For this you will need:
X1 empty jar with a lid and no labels
Some hot water (be careful and ask a grown up to help you)
2 tbsp of glitter glue

How to make it
Pour the hot water into the jar and add the glitter glue.
Put the lid on and shake up the jar. Watch the bits of glitter swirl around – these are like all the thoughts and feelings in your very busy brain. See how when you keep the jar still the glitter starts to settle down – just like your thoughts and feelings will if you sit still and calmly breathe for a moment.

Top Tip!
Next time you feel upset or angry give the jar a good shake – then sit, be still and wait for the glitter to settle. This will also help you calm your mind.



It can be easy to rush through life without stopping to notice much.

Paying more attention to the present moment – to your own thoughts and feelings, and to the world around you – can improve your mental wellbeing.

Some people call this awareness "mindfulness". Mindfulness can help us enjoy life more and understand ourselves better. You can take steps to develop it in your own life...

You can download an activity pack full of mindfulness activities from our website:

<http://www.wharncliffeside.org.uk/home-learning.html>

This idea came from 'Cosmic Kids' – a great website full of Mindfulness activities for kids:

https://www.cosmickids.com/mindfulness-activities-kids/?fbclid=IwAR32xukfQ7OPKeBlwV-VsOSGm7J-PQpUxF5LMmA41Jgjookri_p2ra1GHsA

Also, there are lots of great ideas on here:

<https://www.firefliesandmudpies.com/glitter-timers>

Sensory Ideas for children with SEND:

- Have a car wash for toys or anything else you like in a bowl of soapy water.
- Make a mud kitchen: water and soil and any utensils (perhaps not the best pots and pans!).
- Cornflour slime: cornflour and water makes an interesting mix! Mix together until you have a slime consistency and see- it's a solid if you hit it but a liquid if you scoop it up!
- Frozen toys: put small toys in a container with water and freeze- how can you get the toy out? Squirty bottles with warm water in or paintbrushes are interesting to use or anything you can find!
- Blow up balloons and before tying them, let them go!

Bitesize



The BBC Bitesize website includes a very useful 'Parents' Toolkit' to support parents of children with SEND:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zh9v382>

It includes music videos, ideas about keeping them calm and articles about positive emotions, mental health and wellbeing...

The Singing Hands YouTube channel features a variety of songs and stories all signed with Makaton. <https://www.youtube.com/user/SingingHandsUK>

Learn more: www.singinghands.co.uk



The 'Big Grow' is a joint initiative between GIY and Innocent to support families in growing their own fruit and vegetables at home.

Go to <https://innocentbiggrow.com> to find out more and order your FREE home growing kits!

Learn to cook with Mr Gaughan's daughter, Alice. Watch her YouTube videos [here](#)



Other ideas:

- Make your own board game
- Write a letter to a neighbour or friend
- Have a picnic in your garden
- Have a home spa day
- Have a birthday party for your teddies
- Set up a 'den' in your home or garden.
- Create your own puppet show
- Sing karaoke (there are loads of videos on YouTube)
- Host a virtual quiz with your friends
- Organise a scavenger hunt
- Make a scrap book or time capsule

Whatever you do, share it with us via our Twitter account: @Wharncliffe_Sch

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.