



Barncroft Primary School

Home Learning Newsletter Number 05 - 24/04/2020



Communication

Please remember to send your teacher copies of work or pictures that you have been busy with over the past few weeks. We have set up a year group email which can be accessed via the "Our Learners" page of the website at <https://www.barncroftprimary.co.uk/our-learners>, which includes TT Rockstars and Oxford Reading Buddy links. Teacher's have also been using the Marvellous Me app to communicate with you, please do not forget to high five the Marvellous Me messages.

Oak National Academy

The sector-led Oak National Academy was launched this week, its online classroom and resource hub. The Academy offers 180 video lessons each week for schools to use, across a broad range of subjects. The lessons cover children in Reception through to Year 10 and are free to use by both teachers and young people. The Oak National Academy can be accessed here: <https://www.thenational.academy/>

YR 2020 Admissions

If you applied for your child to start school in September 2020 you will have been sent notification of which school they have been allocated on Thursday 16th April. If you made your application online then you will have received an email from Hampshire County Council, alternatively if you made a paper application you will have been sent your offer letter by second class post. This year, due to the current circumstances, parents/carers are being asked not to come into schools with their paperwork until they are invited to do so by the school. Instead parents/carers are asked to notify Hampshire County Council directly if they accept or reject the place their child has been offered.

Support

There is a lot of support and guidance online for parents/carers home schooling, for further information please refer to: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/supporting-your-childrens-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19>. There is also guidance for parents/carers to keep children safe online. They will, amongst other things, support you to talk to your child/children about a range of online safety issues, set up home filtering in a child-friendly way and set up age-appropriate parental controls on digital devices.

Activities this week

This week our children have been involved in lots of fun learning activities at home and in school:

- Lego building, including a fabulous Egyptian build
- Lots of amazing science projects such as using white vinegar and salt to turn dirty coins into shiny sparkly ones
- Star gazing, watching the Elon Musk's Starlink satellites go by
- Being very creative including weaving rainbows, Tie dying T-shirts and some colourful art work
- Helping out the local wildlife and releasing frogs back into a local stream
- Practicing numeracy and literacy skills

Philosophy Homework

This week's question was...
Would you rather live on a boat
or
on a spaceship?

Do not forget to email the teacher's your answers.

Believe, Achieve, Succeed



Caring

We hope you are
still following
our P4C thinking:



Collaborative

Creative



Critical



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Daily online learning opportunities

The Oak National Academy offers 180 video lessons each week: <https://www.thenational.academy/>
Every Tuesday at 3:30pm 'Space to Learn', an inspirational hour with an astronaut. Hear the best space stories in a quick presentation from a different guest astronauts each week followed by a LIVE Q&A. <https://www.youtube.com/ISSETSpaceSTEM>

Regular daily lessons in English and Maths, as well as other core subjects. These lessons will be created with resources from **Bitesize**, other parts of the BBC and other education providers. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

Subscribed Learning Platforms

- TT Rockstars** - Being checked daily.
- Oxford Reading buddy** - Being checked daily.
- Marvellous ME** - Issued to children as a communication tool.
- Learning Links** - <https://www.barncroftprimary.co.uk/learning-links>

Online learning Apps/Websites

DK Find Out

Fun activities, quizzes and interactive information across lots of topics <https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/>



National Geographic Kids

Fun free downloadable activities and online games and quizzes for kids. <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>



Virtual Tours

Dive into the ocean by taking a virtual tour - <https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/vr>

For those budding astronauts - <https://www.nasa.gov/nasa-at-home-virtual-tours-and-augmented-reality>

Take a look inside Windsor Castle - <https://www.royal.uk/virtual-tours-windsor-castle>

Non - Screen ideas



DIY Lava Lamps

You will need:

- Vegetable oil/water set
- Food colouring
- Essential oil (optional)
- Hot glue or tape
- Spoons
- Small cup

- Add three spoons of vegetable oil into the small glass or bottle.
- Add one spoon of the essential oil to the vegetable oil.
- Add the hot glue or tape to the neck of the bottle and cover the top of the bottle.
- Slowly add drops of your different colour food colouring to the mixture and watch your lava lamp come to life!

Why not try adding different colours to your lava lamp?

THE SCIENCE
Oil and water do not have the same density therefore something lighter than the water will float. The density of oil is less than the density of water. The density of the essential oil is less than the density of the water. This chemical reaction creates bubbling motion, causing the oil to rise and the water to sink.



Things you been up too this week.....



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