



Monday 20th April 2020

Year 3 Newsletter 5

Dear Parents,

I truly hope you're all doing well and staying positive and hopeful!

In terms of work for this term, it will be sent out again in the form of a 'Home Learning Pack'. Similarly with the pack for Spring 2, this will include a letter which will explain the activities in more detail. I would like to reiterate that this work is **not** compulsory and is there when/if you need it. My top priority is that you and your children are happy and healthy at this time, mentally and physically!

In the topic web, I have detailed what we would have been doing this term alongside some activities you could do at home, **specifically** for our topic of 'Tale of the Tyne'. These cover all subject areas and are there if you would like to do some activities directly related to our Summer 1 topic; the home learning packs are more general.

In the topic web, some activities within the subjects need further clarification, so I'll outline them here:

Geography – Google Earth is a fantastic tool to use. You can access it via an app or here: www.earth.google.com. The children have used it before in school so they can have a play around with it at home. Try finding your house or even type in 'Disneyland' in the search box – we did this in class and the children absolutely loved it!

PSHE – Talking about our emotions and mental health is so important right now with the anxiety and uncertainty surrounding COVID-19. There are some great websites that help to introduce these conversations/attempt to reduce some anxieties in a child-friendly way here:

www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/looking-after-children-and-young-people-during-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/supporting-your-child-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic

Art – If you don't have any modelling clay/dough at home, salt dough is really easy to make! All you need is flour, salt and water. A how-to is here: www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/how-make-salt-dough-recipe.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask! I have also loved receiving emails from some children so if your child would like to send me an email, they can do here: megan.nattress@archbishop.newcastle.sch.uk.

If you would like to send me photos of what you have been up to at home, you also can! With your permission, it would be fab to upload some photos to our class page on the school website too! Just let me know!

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Nattress