



## Rhino Class Letter 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Rhino Class

I hope that you enjoyed your first week back. Did you manage to go on a family blue-bell walk? Please do keep in contact and let me see what you have been learning. Here is my hedgehog house being carefully guarded by my cat, Chub – I wonder if any hedgehog would dare to move in though!

Keep safe. Mrs Mottram



**Keeping up to date:** Read the mini newspaper attached as a PDF. Watch NewsRound and complete the weekly quiz [https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/news/watch\\_newsround](https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/news/watch_newsround)

**Reading:** Do 1 CGP reading test this coming week. Continue to listen to World's Worst Children, a story from David Walliams (live at 11am or watch a pre-recorded story) <https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/> This week I have found a great online resource where you can listen to books for free. My challenge is for you to listen to *Interview with the Robot*, which can be found in the tween section (42 books) using this link <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>. Don't forget about Oxford Owls and the 16 free e-books for ages 9-11, did you manage to read Sherlock Homes this week? Please do email your book reviews to me.

**Maths:** Do 1 CGP maths test this coming week. See what new tasks I've assigned to you for this term on Conquer Maths. Revise your rounding of numbers learning: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/ks2-maths-rounding-numbers-with-laura-bubble/zhmrhbk>. This week we are very excited to launch Times Tables Rock Stars – a separate letter is coming out. I have left it on 'automatic' rather than setting you weekly times tables, so that you can do a baseline test and then work at your own pace, as some of you are excellent at your tables already. Don't forget our class website for other maths resources I have uploaded for Term 5.

**Writing:** Do 1 CGP grammar, punctuation and spelling test this coming week. Revise your understanding of commas, brackets and dashes: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/ks2-english-commas-brackets-dashes-with-ben-shires/zh32cqt> Keep going with your Letter Join handwriting and spelling practise. The login is: checke\_1 and the password is: Rhinoletterjoin. Don't forget our class website for new English resources.

**Spelling:** If you haven't completed your learning pathway, then continue with your Spellzone activities. Don't forget to read your CEW list each week and select about 5 words to learn how to spell too. Letter Join (see above) could be helpful with this too.

**Maths & English** lessons available everyday <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn> including advice for parents about home-schooling. BBC iPlayer (Red Button service on your television) will host Bitesize Daily – 6 different 20 minute shows across the whole-curriculum.

**Physical exercise:** Joe Wicks or Yoga <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

Each week you have been able to choose your own independent home learning projects; to have the time to explore something that really interests you. This is a great opportunity for you to make your own decisions and become more independent in your learning. I am very happy for you to continue your learning projects in this way and really look forward to seeing your creative ideas. If you don't want to choose your own project, you can follow the timetable of class home learning projects below.

**Monday Drama / English:** fancy a bit of Shakespeare why not try these free resources <https://www.rsc.org.uk/education/about-rsc-education/home-learning-with-the-rsc> on Monday 28th at 11am there is a live streaming of Macbeth (scroll down for the link) with lessons activities following the stream.

**Tuesday History:** WWII food rationing video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JzH4AM-7-d4> Lesson 2 activity: <https://liverpoolwarmuseum.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Induction-worksheet-2-KS2.pdf>

**Wednesday Science:** I have been enjoying watching the barn owl – why not check out some of these webcams? <https://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/wildlifewebcam>

**Thursday PSHE:** Picture news – Will people travel less in the future? (see PPT). Perhaps you could write – a balanced argument (both points of view) or a persuasive argument (one sided) about this issue.

**Friday Music:** there is so much to see and learning about an orchestra <https://www.royalalberthall.com/about-the-hall/news/2020/april/meet-the-orchestra-with-alberts-band/>