

Hello Year 4 children and parents,

I hope you are all keeping well and taking care of each other at home. It has been lovely to hear from so many of you about what you have been up to at home and all the fun you have been having with your families. I've really enjoyed receiving messages from you and seeing photos. I have forwarded on photos of work you have been doing (and all the other fun activities you have been doing at home!) to Mr Cairns and I know we have all been keeping him busy with uploading work to our school Facebook page.

I am including a timetable with some suggested ideas for activities for this week for English and Maths, and some resources to help with the English work.

There are some things you can do for written work in books as well as online with [www.spag.com](http://www.spag.com) etc.

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For Topic work, here are some other ideas that you might want to try to keep you busy:

**Geography / Data Handling:**

If you have been keeping a record of temperatures in different parts of the world, you could use that information to make some graphs and charts.

You could: create 3 different bar charts (one for each of the locations). Think about how to label the x-axis (at the bottom) to show the different days of the week as well as the y-axis (going up) with the temperature scale – you might want to give yourselves a challenge and think about different ways to show the scale of your results e.g. 1 division could be worth 2 or 5 degrees, how will you mark temperatures that fall in between these divisions?

**Design Technology:**

If we had been in school, we would have been spending some time working on baking bread in groups. You could find some recipes online and plan out the recipes and instructions so we could use them in a Food Technology lesson in the future.

Think about what type of bread you would like to make: savoury, sweet / fruit, to meet a specific dietary requirement (e.g. gluten free), if you would like to make large loaves to share or smaller individual rolls etc.

Could you write a recipe that includes ingredients as well as a list of instructions to follow?  
Remember to include imperative ('bossy') verbs e.g. mix, knead, chop

Could you include some diagrams to help with your recipe instructions?

Challenge! Could you convert and increase the amounts in the recipe so that the quantities are enough to make for all Year 4 (19 children) or Helvellyn class (32 children)?

## Science:

The BBC Bitesize website has lots of guides relating to subjects that we have studied in Science (as well as ones that we haven't yet worked on!).

You could take some time to have a look at the first two topics we looked at in Year 4 (**Electricity and Materials**).

There are lots of videos to watch, information to read and activities that you can do online.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z2pfb9q>

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Although these are suggestions for 'school' work; I'm sure there are many other things that you and your families will want to spend time doing while you are learning at home. There are so many things that you have been doing that will help to keep you all busy while you have to be at home and I really hope you are enjoying yourselves. If you would like to send any pictures, it would be wonderful to see what you have been up to!

Try to find time this week (and every week) to:

- Do something active / keeping fit / playing sports
- Make / draw / paint / bake or do anything else that is creative
- Find some ways to keep in touch with friends or family that you are unable to see at the moment: telephone calls, Skype, Facetime, Zoom, send messages in WhatsApp groups, make a card or write a letter (maybe you could post it or pop it through their door if you are able to go out and your parents say it is ok to do so?)
- Do something musical – sing or dance along to your favourite music, play an instrument if you can
- See if you and your family can find some ways to enjoy spending time with each other: sit down and have a meal together, play a game, cuddle up on the sofa and watch a film together
- Enjoy spending some time outside – maybe just in your back yard or garden in the sunshine, bike rides or walks around Askam (enjoying the beautiful part of the world you live in!)
- Try to think of something you can do to help someone at home (parents or brothers / sisters). Is there anything nice that you could do for them that will make them smile?

It would be lovely to hear from you and find out what you have been up to – and replying to messages will help me to keep busy too!

Take care of each other and stay safe,

Miss Merritt