



# Spring Half Term 2020



I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support with the Homeschooling. These are difficult times and your efforts in continuing to help your child thrive are really appreciated.

It has been a pleasure to log onto Tapestry every weekday at 3.30 and to see all the wonderful work that the children have produced.

If for any reason you've missed the opportunity to log onto our homeschooling pages detailing daily work for RE, English, Maths and Topic please go to

http://www.staugustines.dorset.sch.uk/website/reception\_1/466131

Here you will find work dating back to March 23rd.

#### **Useful websites**

Below I have provided a list of useful websites that you may want to continue to access over the Half Term Holidays.

Useful Reception Websites/Website links	Areas of Learning
www.topmarks.co.uk	All areas of the curriculum
www.ictgames	English and Maths games
www.letters-and-sounds.com	Phonics resources and games
www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks	Phonics programmes
www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b01cz0p1/alphablocks	Phonics programmes
www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks	Maths songs and games
www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks	Maths programmes
www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PmB3SIjNdQ	Alphabet song-Epic Phonics
www.epicphonics.com/teachers/phase/2	Phonics songs
www.epicphonics.com/teachers/phase/3	Phonics songs

Please also remember that Mini Mash has many lovely games and activities that you may like to share with your child.





## **Art Competition**



Please see below, details of a competition that you may like to work on with your child over the Half Term Holiday. For more information please go to:

https://www.seewhatisee.me/

### New competition helps children re-imagine the great outdoors

\*\*'See What I See' asks five to 16-year olds to set their imaginations free and re-think their built environment\*\*

\*\*Prizes up to £600\*\*

\*\*Competition launched in partnership with Bath Spa University and the Royal Fine Art Commission Trust\*\*

A new competition for five to 16-year olds has been launched to help children feel more connected to the outside world during the coronavirus lockdown.

See What I see, which has been created by the Royal Fine Art Commission Trust (RFACT) in partnership with Bath Spa University, asks children to think about what they miss most about their built environment, how it might be redesigned to bring people together and which place or building they'll visit first once coronavirus restrictions have been lifted.

The competition activities have been designed for different age groups, each with a monetary prize attached (first prize £600, second prize £300 and third prize £100).

- Five to eight-year olds: an opportunity to show their artistic skills and creativity in the form of 3D models, drawings and any other formats they can think of
- Nine to 12-year olds: an opportunity to explore and creatively re-make the world around us by
  re-imagining their local community and use their imagination to design changes to the
  environment to make it a better place to live
- 13 to 16-year olds: a category for aspiring designers, those with unlimited imagination and critical eye for detail. Entrants might imagine themselves as an architect, an urban designer or a civil engineer exploring their built environment

A parent, guardian, carer or teacher will need to enter a child on <a href="http://www.seewhatisee.me/the-competition/">http://www.seewhatisee.me/the-competition/</a>

## Other holiday time activities

The Cambridge Museums, Botanic Gardens, Departments and nonschool institutions have put together an array of online resources to help families learn together.

Please look at the following website:

https://www.alumni.cam.ac.uk/news/online-resources-for-families

From here you will find arrange of information and activities for you and your family.

If you go to this related link:

https://www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk/lookthinkdo/about

As stated,

"These activities have been designed as a starting point for looking, talking and doing together. We will be adding new entries throughout April and May 2020.

The **Look** and **Think** activities should take 5 -10 minutes.

The **Do** activities might take longer depending on the task and how creative you are feeling!

Answers and suggestions about how to find out more at the bottom of each page.

Have fun and don't forget to share your creations using #FitzVirtual #LookThinkDo."

### One of my favourite activities which you may like to work on with your child is:



Springtime by Claude Monet-

https://www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk/work/springtime

By following the link above, you can engage in Look, Think and Do activities and as detailed in the link below, go on a Springtime Colour Hunt-

https://www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk/springtime-colour-hunt

Let me know how you get on.

#### **Happy Holidays**

Take care this half term and have a lovely time with your family.

Best wishes,

Mrs Evans.

