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Dear Year 6 Parents and Carers



## **Forest Team – Years 5 and 6**

Today we have put together a pack for every child so in the event that the children are not at school you can help support their learning at home. In the pack is an exercise book and a few sheets to get you started. Each child also has their SATs Buster Workbooks.

We know that most of you are not teachers and we are therefore providing resources which help the children to practice things they have already learnt - they should be able to do these things independently.

We have also created a page on our website where we will put further resources in the coming days and weeks – [www.west-borough.kent.sch.uk](http://www.west-borough.kent.sch.uk) Go to **Children – Remote Learning** – click on your child's year group.

During this challenging time, staff would like to still support our families as best they can, provided of course they are well enough themselves. With this in mind, each team has set up an email so you can contact a teacher about any queries you have about learning. For years 5 & 6 this is [forest@west-borough.kent.sch.uk](mailto:forest@west-borough.kent.sch.uk) Please note that as Leader of Learning I will be checking this email a couple of times a week and will respond in due course. For matters not related to learning, please go through the usual channels. When things return to normal, we would love the children to bring their learning back in to school so we can share what they've been up to in a learning gallery. Of course we won't be able to mark everything they've been doing as we'll also be busy moving on to our next topic!

## **SAT Buster Workbooks**

At this time we are still assuming that the children's Key Stage 2 Assessments will go ahead in May (SATs). We have therefore provided children with SAT Buster Workbooks which provide essential practice for every part of the KS2 Maths, Reading and SPaG SATs. The books are filled with a range of questions and friendly self-assessment boxes, so that children can record how confident they feel with each topic. At the back of each booklet is a score sheet. We would encourage all children to fill this in as it allows them to track progress and spot any areas they need to focus on.

## **Useful links for Y6**

Below are some useful links to websites that can be used to boost confidence, knowledge and understanding in Maths and English:

- **TTRS:** to improve times tables knowledge and recall speed - we will set up a few Y6 battles! All children have been given login details
- **Spelling Frame:** to practise spelling rules. All children have been given login details.
- **Top Marks:** <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/mental-maths> covers online activities for a range of mathematical concepts, including Hit the Button for rapid recall of number bonds, division facts, decimals etc
- **Top Marks:** <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar> covers online activities for spelling and grammar, punctuation, writing stories, poetry and reading
- **BBC Bitesize:** <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn> offers learner guides and video clips in all areas of the curriculum for example click on the *English* icon, then choose *Spelling* to find out how to pronounce new words or click on the *Maths* icon, then choose *Factors, Multiples and Primes* to recap learning

Thank you for your support. We wish you all good health and we look forward to seeing you soon.

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