

Weekly Round Up

This seems to have been a tough week, perhaps the reality of this new normal has been realised. The Government has told schools that 4 hours of learning at KS2 is the expected and we have reports to send to Government about the engagement of children.

At Alvaston, we are so proud of the efforts made by the children (with your support). Most children are producing good quality work which will further their learning. Please try to join Teams as we will begin to use this more to give teaching points so children are clear about their learning. Keeping in touch via Dojo is a school priority so we know how you are all doing and offer help if required. We will be making phone calls if we are unable to make contact through Dojo.

If your child does not have a device, please contact us as a matter of urgency, as we may be able to help.

This week, we have enjoyed reading some of the research of the places the children want to travel to - Mrs Saunby is looking forward to finding out more about Russia, whilst Miss Pickford is excited to learn more about Mexico. We particularly enjoyed dissecting our flowers in school learning scientific vocabulary such as stamen, carpel, stigma, anther and filament.

Finally, thank you for your continued efforts with the home learning. We are here to help...keep sharing and talking.

Website of the Week:

https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/virtual-museum.html

We might not be able to visit the Natural History Museum in person but this website is the next best thing. Lots of areas to visit and you can even be accompanied by Sir

David Attenborough!

What will you learn?



Coming up.....

...in reading, we will be learning about nature on the Galapagos Islands.

...in English, we will continue working with the book 'The boy who biked the World' and we will be planning, writing and editing our reports.

...in maths we will be working on written methods for multiplication and division. This causes great excitement! ...in science we will be finding out about the lifecycle and reproduction of amphibians and insects.

...in Geography we are learning more continents and oceans and having a world tour!

...on Friday, the school is celebrating World Religion Day with the Infant school. We will be asking you to complete activities linked to learning about Hinduism which we will share with one of the classes in the

Infants on Friday afternoon.



Hooked on Books:

Mrs Saunby is reading 'You are Amazing' by Mathew Syed. He is explaining how we can all be amazing, and all improve no matter what our natural talents are. He will look at some of the most successful business people and apply their techniques to your lives!

Miss Pickford is reading 'Slime' by David Walliams. She is most impressed with the way he starts his story by introducing all the main characters, she is intrigued by Ned. She is enjoying finding out where slime originates.

Non Negotiables:

Join your class on Teams for 9.15am registration. Remember to upload/hand in work on Purple Mash or send to portfolios on dojo.

Read the blog first, then go to the 2dos

Everybody, every day' - read with your child every day. Practise times tables including the division facts. Use Times Tables Rock Stars or any other method to practice. Your practice is paying off!

Keep in contact with us using Class Dojo.

Have a restful weekend.