KS2 Home learning- Autumn 1, 2021-22
All About Me

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the KS2 home learning activities for the Autumn term, up to Christmas! Our topic this term and the next is focused on All About Me**.** In the first term we will be looking at our senses, and aft Half Term we will be learning about our families and our feelings, as well as marking Christmas, of course!

Activities

A list of suggested home learning activities is given below. If you have any further questions about them, please do not hesitate to write in the diary or call to speak to one of us.
Should you wish to complete these activities and record any information by photos, paper or email then feel free to send them into school so that we can share it with the class.
Activities can be shared either via the home/school diary or by email to office@johnwatsonschool.org FAO Linda Grace, Becky Wells, Grace Hopkins, or Irina Toma.

Reading

If your child has a **school reading book** sent home, then please try to read it regularly - little and often works well. They would also find it useful to practise reading and spelling words using our new sounds. There is a list attached of some new ways of spelling out sounds.

If your child has finished their school book, or if they would like something different to read, then please use the KS2 class login for **The Oxford Owl** at https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/ . This will give you access to a variety of e-books and other activities to try. The class name is: JohnWatson. The class password is 'JohnWatson'.

Kind Regards

The KS2 Team.

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What do I look like?

Help your child to look in a mirror and look closely at themselves - what colour are their eyes? Are they the same as your eyes? What colour Is their hair? Is it straight or is it curly? Take a photo so that your child can colour over it.

Naming Parts of the Body

Sing Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes! Play Simon Says and tell your child to put their hand on their leg, foot, elbow. You could also practise writing the words for parts of the body.

My Sense of Smell

An excuse to get lots of flowers or herbs! We will be smelling different strongly scented foods in School, like garlic, onion and scented plants, like lavender. If you have a garden that still has flowers in it, you could go for a scent walk and see which you like best. If you can collect the petals you could try making your own perfume! Bring some into School so we can all enjoy it.

My Sense of Touch

In School we will be sorting different types of materials by their touch. Does your child have a favourite blanket or cuddly toy that they like to hug? They can draw it or send a photo in. Encourage them to describe how it feels - soft or hard? Fluffy or smooth? Perhaps they could write 'I like it because ….'.

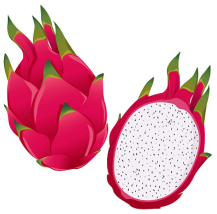
My Sense of Hearing

Sit quietly in your house or garden. What can you and your child hear? Birds? Cars? The TV? Write or draw a list.

My Sense of Sight

We will be thinking about colour in School, and reading **The artist who painted a blue horse, by Eric Carle**. Help your child to draw or paint an animal using their favourite colour instead of its actual colour - a purple cat would look lovely, I think!

My Sense of Taste



Time to try some new flavours! In School we will be exploring bitter, sour, sal and sweet tastes, as well as trying different fruits and vegetables. Challenge yourself and your child to try a new food - nothing too challenging, but something exciting from the fruit and vegetable aisle - like a fresh apricot or dragon fruit, or a purple cauliflower!

Bonfire Night

Watch a fireworks display, possibly attending it to hear and see the fireworks, or perhaps through a window to avoid the loud bangs. Share lots of describing words to support our firework art and writing in School.

Remembrance Day and Children in Need

We will be thinking about helping others and making spotty biscuits and cakes. Dress up your teddy or doll or cuddly toy like Pudsey and write it an invitation to tea. Send us a photo of your tea party!

My Family

This week we will be thinking about who is in our family and making a family tree and family portraits. Talk about this with your child, and take a photo of your family. Help them to write their names and send the photo and the list into School to support their painting.

I like Myself

We will be talking about things we like about ourselves and what makes a good friend. Help your child to think about what you like about them - tell them all about their best bits - their smile, how they help you, how they make you feel happy inside.

My Feelings

This week we will be using Family Links to help children learn about their emotions. We describe feeling happy as making us feel warm and fuzzy. Can you find a warm and fuzzy item at home to help them understand that feeling? When we are angry we say it makes us feel cold and prickly inside. Some ice cubes from the freezer would help them to understand that phrase, or a conker with its spiky shell on.

Christmas!

We will be learning Christmas songs and making Christmas cards. Help your child to practise their Christmas song, it will help to make our show look and sound fabulous.

Have a good break!

See you back on Thursday 6 January 2022

Words to Learn to Read and Spell, with Dictation Sentences

I - I am (name).

no - no I am not a cat.

go - I go to the shop.

to - I go to the …….. and I got a ……..

the / The - The cat sat. The dog ran.

went - I went to the park.

he - he is on the bike. He is on the go-kart.

she - she is on the swing. She is on the slide.