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Dear Falcons,

It was lovely to see some new faces on our Zoom virtual lessons last week, and it was great to see the key worker children joining in our Zooms from school too. I am really impressed with most of you. Your attitude to learning and your focus during lessons is getting better, but can we remember our class Zoom rules, and stick to them each day please.

I am so proud of how hard you are working and at how well you've mastered the technology of online learning. The mythical creatures you have created are fantastic! I have really enjoyed reading your descriptions of them and it has been lovely to be able to give you individual feedback for your hard work.

I hope you made the most of the snow last week. Thank you to those of you who have been sending in photos of things you got up to in the snow. Remember, if you have a snowy picture to share, or a photo of something else that you've done, or that you are proud of - just get someone at home to email it to me. My email address is: googleclassroom4SM@fiveways.staffs.sch.uk. **Please can I ask parents to save this email address in your contacts. This will hopefully mean that any emails I send reach your inbox and not your junk box. Please can I also ask that if you receive a call from a 'no caller ID number' that you try your best to answer it. There may be times that I need to make a phone call home and as I am working from home, I have to withhold my mobile number. Communication at this time is very important. Thank you for your co-operation with this.**

Remember that it is really important to stay happy and if you are experiencing any difficulties with your work or with technology, you can message me on Google Classroom or your grown-ups can email at the above address and I will try to work with you to solve any issues.

Maths Zoom lessons will continue to take place at around 10:00am, after our morning registration and activities. Our English lessons will continue to be at 11:30am Monday to Thursday for the whole class, and we will split into two groups (Main spelling group at 11am and SNIP spelling group at 11:30am) on Friday. At the end of any of the virtual lessons should you require further help, I am available to go over work with you, either individually or as part of a smaller group.

This week, work will be set on Google Classroom or as detailed in the timetable at the end of this letter - work will not be posted on the school website. Please refer to the timetable for further details of what's happening and when. This letter will still be posted on the Home Learning section of the school website each week and will be emailed home on Sunday. English and maths tasks will not appear straight away on Google Classroom at the beginning of the week, as they will be scheduled to appear on your Google Classroom area just before the start of the Zoom session each day. This is because it is important that you have the teaching input from me first before you attempt the task. Tasks for all other subjects will be posted on Google Classroom by 9:00am on Monday.

Before you log onto your Zoom lesson please make sure of the following:-

- You have paper and a pen or pencil.
- You have any completed maths or English work in front of you (if it is a task that has not been turned in on Google Classroom or MyMaths).
- Go to the toilet before the lesson starts.



- Sit properly somewhere upright with a desk/table to work at or something hard (like a book) to lean on.
- You have a quiet place in which to work.
- If possible, wear a headset or headphones so that you can hear me as clearly as possible, and to help you concentrate.

When you log onto a Zoom call, make sure that you have your own microphone muted until invited to speak or answer a question and that your device is labelled with your actual name. If you are finding Zoom glitchy, often logging out and back into the Zoom app solves the problem - but remember you will be placed in Zoom's waiting room again briefly until I re-admit you.

Please find all of the details needed for Zoom below. The link, meeting ID and password are the same for all Zoom meetings over the course of the week, and are identical to the last two weeks.

Zoom Details

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93564885813?pwd=WVRjOEhmVDN5WEo2ano5eDJoOXQ1QT09>

Meeting ID: 935 6488 5813

Passcode: falcons

Don't forget that if you are in school for Key Workers Provision you are invited to a weekly 'Bubble Group' Zoom call every Monday at 4:30pm for approximately 30 minutes. This session is not compulsory and you do not need to attend if you don't want to.

In my previous two letters to you, I've stressed the importance of looking after your mental health and getting a good balance between work and play. Try to exercise for at least 1 hour per day. Exercise is known to improve mental health. You could try a Joe Wicks workout that is on his YouTube Channel. If you are able, it's a really good idea to get outside each day, if only for a short time. Perhaps you could exercise in your garden, or go on a family walk? I know I always feel much better after I go for a walk and get some fresh air! It's actually Children's Mental Health Week from 1st to 7th February. You will be doing activities in some Zoom sessions, and for Home Learning which link with this.

You are all working extremely hard and should be proud of yourselves. Please can I say a big thank you to your grown-ups at home that are supporting you too! Keep being brilliant! Take care and see you on Zoom!

Mrs Marsh ☺



	Registration	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Other Learning Opportunities
Monday (1.2.21)	<p>9:30am WHOLE CLASS Zoom (20-25 min)</p> <p>Registration and morning activities</p>	<p>Maths WHOLE CLASS 10:00am Zoom (30-40 minutes)</p> <p>3 and 6 times table challenges.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MyMaths task 2. BBC Bitesize tasks. <p>BBC Bitesize 3 times table task BBC Bitesize 6 times table task</p> <p>(Tasks available on MyMaths and BBC Bitesize – Please click on the links above for BBC Bitesize. The links are also available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>English WHOLE CLASS 11:30am Zoom Virtual Lesson (30/40 min)</p> <p>Adverbs task.</p> <p>(Task available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>Art Expressing yourself through art OR Music How music can change how we feel and express ourselves (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>
Tuesday (2.2.21)	<p>9:30am WHOLE CLASS Zoom (20-25 min)</p> <p>Registration and morning activities</p>	<p>Maths WHOLE CLASS 10:00am Zoom (30-40 minutes)</p> <p>3 and 6 times table challenges.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MyMaths task. 2. Please complete the 3 and 6 times table games on twinkl go. You can have a go at the other times tables as well if you wish. <p>Access this lesson using pin code: SO6408 at Twinkl Go</p> <p>(Task available on MyMaths and Twinkl Go – This is an online game.)</p>	<p>English WHOLE CLASS 11:30am Zoom Virtual Lesson (30/40 min)</p> <p>Pegasus reading comprehension.</p> <p>(Task available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>Science Sound Waves (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>



		<p>Please click on the link above and enter the pin code. The links and pin code are also available on Google Classroom)</p>		
Wednesday (3.2.21)	9:30am WHOLE CLASS Zoom (20-25 min) Registration and morning activities	<p>Maths WHOLE CLASS 10:00am Zoom (30-40 minutes)</p> <p>6 times table wheels. (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>English WHOLE CLASS 11:30 – 12:10 pm Zoom Virtual Lesson (30/40 min)</p> <p>Features of Greek Myths Begin Story Map (Beginning and Build Up) (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>French les salutations (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>
Thursday (4.2.21)	9:30am WHOLE CLASS Zoom (20-25 min) Registration and morning activities	<p>Maths WHOLE CLASS 10:00am Zoom (30-40 minutes)</p> <p>Factor pairs. (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>English 11:30 – 12:10 pm Zoom Virtual Lesson (30/40 min)</p> <p>Features of Greek Myths Complete Story Map (Problem, Resolution and Ending) (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>	<p>RE Why is Lent important to Christians? (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>
Friday (5.2.21)	9:30am WHOLE CLASS Zoom (20-25 minutes) Registration and morning activities	<p>Maths WHOLE CLASS 10:00am Zoom (30-40 minutes)</p> <p>Mental Maths Quiz (Google Classroom quiz available after the Zoom session).</p>	<p>English Zoom - Main spelling group: 11:00am SNIP group: 11:30am Spelling Test and new spellings given Main spelling group - New Spellings and task - (for a test on 11.2.21 – DUE TO INSET DAY ON 12th February) can be found on Google Classroom. SNIP spelling group - New Spellings - (for a test</p>	<p>PE Fancy a boogie? (Task available on Google Classroom)</p>



			<p>on 11.2.21 – DUE TO INSET DAY ON 12th February) will be individually put on the Google Classroom stream after the lesson.</p> <p>(Home Link books at the ready please).</p>	
Other Learning Opportunities: All tasks are set on Google Classroom.				
Science – Sound Waves - Why does Rugeley Power Station's chimney start to collapse before you hear the explosion?				
French - Un peu de la révision! – les salutations (a little revision – greetings)				
RE – Why is Lent important to Christians?				
Art - Expressing yourself through art (linked to Children's Mental Health Week)				
Music – How music can change how we feel and express ourselves (linked to Children's Mental Health Week)				
PE – Fancy a boogie?				
Other Information:				
PE: Don't forget to try to exercise for at least 1 hour per day.				
Joe Wicks has workouts on his YouTube Channel that are about 20 minutes long. New ones are posted on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.				
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6olorMNtw5g				
Children's Mental Health Week				
It is Children's Mental Health Week 2021 this week (1 st - 7 th February). Children's Mental Health Week is run by the children's mental health charity Place2Be to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health and this year's theme is Express Yourself. You can find out more about Children's Mental Health Week at: https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/				
Additional French Activities				
Mrs Rowsell, one of our parent governors, has kindly made a third free French lesson available to us at Five Ways, for both at home or at school. Her lessons are suitable for all primary school ages and her third lesson is based on The BFG. The link to use is: https://www.lingotot.co.uk/southstaffs.html				
Useful Resources:				
Spelling Frame – Look at any of the Year 3/4 spelling rules. Practise them and play the games.				
Times Table Rockstars – Keep trying!				
Draw with Rob – Pick a tutorial to have a go at.				
Hit the Button – Please have a go at the X Tables games (focussing on the 2, 5, 10, 3 and 6 X tables)				
Reading - Please remember to read at least 3 times with an adult at home. You can use Bug Club to read to a grown-up or you can read a book from home.				
Nessy – Please try to go on Nessy at least once a day. Please aim to complete a 20-minute session. Who can earn the most nuggets and beat Layton this week?				

