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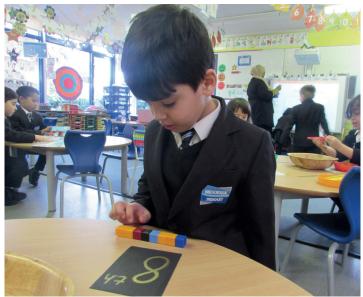
## **Ordinal Numbers**

On Thursday 21st January, pupils in Madrid continued with their practical Mathematics lesson on sequencing numbers. They became mini racing drivers and bus drivers for the day, competing against one another in a race whilst learning the concept of ordinal numbers. The pupils mastered the art of establishing what position all competitors finished in, allowing them to further their understanding about sequencing, ordering and positioning whilst having lots of fun!









## Save the Rainforest!

In English, Year 3 have been introduced to the story of *The Great Kapok Tree*. All children, onsite and online, engaged in a series of questions, visualisations and predictions to understand the story and its meaning better.

This story is linked to our Rainforest topic in Geography. Through the story, the children will not only learn new vocabulary and understand that every story has its own meaning, but they will also learn why the rainforest is so important for both humankind and animals. Children will first become familiar with *The Great Kapok Tree*, and discuss the important message that the author is promoting through the story. Next Term, they will look at examples of different persuasive writing features before gathering information and creating their own ideas to use in a letter, in which they will try to persuade a logging company to stop cutting down the rainforest!





## The Three Little Pigs!

Year 1 Helsinki and Stockholm classes have been reading the tale of *The Three Little Pigs*, encouraging a cross-curriculum focus in English, Mathematics, Geography and Science. In English, pupils have been identifying the characters within the book, enabling them to expand their vocabulary and distinguish between the characters, illustrator and the author.

You can assist your child with cross-curricular learning at home by encouraging them to engage in comprehension questions including: 'what materials were used to make the three houses?' for Science, 'what area were the houses built in?' for Geography and 'how many bricks, sticks or barrels of hay were used for the perimeter/circumference of the houses?' for Mathematics.



## **Build a Robot**

This term, children in Reception have been learning about two-dimensional (2D) and three-dimensional (3D) shapes. Pupils were asked to build a 3D robot with materials that could be found at home. This exercise builds key foundations such as improving fine motor-skills and identifying shapes to help children develop further. In order to enhance your child's learning at school, why don't you ask your child to identify the shapes of everyday products and materials in the kitchen cupboard...





## **Reporting Positive Cases of Coronavirus**

In light of the rapidly rising numbers of coronavirus [COVID-19] cases across the country, the School remains open specifically for vulnerable children and those of key workers. Whilst we reiterate our initial advice on reporting any positive cases of coronavirus to the School, it is vital that parents, guardians and carers of those children currently engaging in remote learning also continue to inform the School if their child has tested positive during the lockdown. In the event of a positive case, please contact us on 020 8845 6634 or email us at brooksideprimary@trhat. org. This will allow us to monitor and manage potential cases and reduce the risk of transmission. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

#### **Edenred FSM Vouchers**

During these challenging times, we want to ensure that pupils eligible for benefits related to free school meals can continue to access support if they are not in school during term time.

As such, the government has reinstated the National Edenred Voucher Scheme. Those individuals eligible for Free School Meals will have received Tesco Vouchers for the first 2 weeks of the new term

Slots have been available from Monday 18th January and vouchers will be issued on a fortnightly basis. Once issued, please follow the steps outlined below:

- 1. Go to [www.freeschoolmeals.co.uk]
- 2. Enter the unique 16-digit eCode
- 3. Select your chosen supermarket and check out
- 4. Your eGift cards will arrive by email within 24 hours

Please do not hesitate to contact the School if you require further help in regard to accessing these vouchers.

#### Hillingdon Weekly Challenges

Brookside Primary School is currently taking part in Hillingdon Weekly Physical Challenges. These challenges allow children to get active, have fun, improve health, engage new audiences and increase motivation.

Week 2 will start on Thursday 4th February. Mr Christie and Mr Iwaram (PE Co-ordinators) will provide your teachers with a video of what you need to do each week. Your teachers will post this video within your class on Microsoft Teams. These challenges can be done at home or at school. All scores will need to be sent to your class teacher by Thursday, the following week. Please see the schedule below for all upcoming challenges.

	Challenge	Date	
Week 2	Figure of 8	Thursday 4th February	
Week 3	Tap up Tennis	Thursday 11th February	
Week 4	Speed Bounce	Thursday 25th February	
Week 5	Climbing the Mountain	Thursday 4th March	
Week 6	Skipping	Thursday 11th March	

## Change4Life Lockdown Lunches

As you are aware, Edenred has relaunched the National Free School Meals Voucher Scheme to support families through the lockdown. The scheme went live on Monday 18th January and by the following week, more than £30 million of eCodes had been redeemed into supermarket gift cards for families.

For those who have redeemed their Edenred FSM vouchers but are struggling for meal inspiration, Change4Life has created recipes and shopping lists for families which can be used to create lunches for around £15 each week. For 3 weeks' worth of recipes and finding fresh inspiration for cooking, please visit [https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/lunch/cheaplockdown-lunch-ideas].



#### Vaccine Fraud

The vaccine is a crucial tool in fighting coronavirus (COVID-19) and keeping people safe. Unfortunately, criminals have used this opportunity to take advantage of the COVID-19 vaccine rollout in order to commit fraud via phishing emails and scam text messages. As such, The NHS Counter Fraud Authority (NHSCFA) has issued a warning to the nation to be extra vigilant during this time. For guidance and support, please visit [http://upload.reactcdn. co.uk/rosedale/uploads/document/2601 COVID-19 Vaccine Fraud Poster V3.pdf).

Please be extra cautious if you receive a communication purporting to be from the NHS demanding personal details. The vaccine is only available on the NHS and is free of charge. The NHS will never request your bank account or card details or personal documents proving your identity. If you have any concerns about the legitimacy of any communication, please visit the government website to report any internet scams and phishing: [https://www. gov.uk/report-suspicious-emails-websites-phishing]. Alternatively, please visit [https://cfa.nhs.uk/reportfraud] for more information about how you will be contacted for your COVID-19 vaccine.

The NHS will never ask for:

- Your bank account or card details
- Your pin or banking password
- Copies of personal documents to prove your identity such as your passport, driving license, bills or pay slips

#### Online Learning Protocols

Please ensure your child logs in to Microsoft Teams promptly as per the usual start and end times. All children are required to attend their online lessons in full school uniform and must use the 'raise your hand' icon to answer or speak. Children must not ring the teacher during live sessions and background noise must be kept to a minimum.

#### **Available Support Services**

Maintaining good mental health is crucial to overall wellbeing. Fortunately, there are many support services available for children and young people.

SSS Learning has produced a free resource designed to offer advice on how families can safeguard their children's mental health and promote their wellbeing. For 10 top tips on practical ways to positively promote your child's mental health, please visit [https://ssscpd.co.uk/education/parentsandguardians/childmental-health-10-tips-for-parents/-/pj==].

Kooth is a support service that provides ideas for relaxation and mindful activities to help reduce stress and anxiety, as well as offering emotional and mental health support; [https://www.kooth. <u>com/</u>]. Additionally, YoungMinds is a national charity championing the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children by offering support, advice and guidance to ensure they can access the right help; [https://youngminds.org.uk/].

#### Accessing Microsoft Teams

All children currently engaging in remote learning are expected to be accessing their classrooms virtually via Microsoft Teams. Children have received letters and guides on how to access their respective classrooms, along with an email address and password. For those still experiencing problems logging in, Microsoft Education has streamed a video outlining the process of signing in and navigating your teams: [https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=gx8xHpRMFHU].



Week Commencing: Monday 1st February

#### SPECIAL MENU

MONDAY			
Meal Choice 1:	Chicken Goujons with Potato Wedges, Beans and Vegetables	Halal	
Meal Choice 2:	Chicken Goujons with Potato Wedges, Beans and Vegetables	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3:	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Potato Wedges, Beans and Vegetables	Vegetarian	
TUESDAY			
Meal Choice 1:	Macaroni Cheese and Vegetables	Vegetarian	
WEDNESDAY			
Meal Choice 1:	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian	
THURSDAY			
Meal Choice 1:	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Halal	
Meal Choice 2:	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3:	Roasted Barbecue Vegetables with Rice	Vegetarian	
FRIDAY			
Meal Choice 1:	Fish Fingers with Oven Cooked Chips and Beans		
Meal Choice 2:	Quorn Nuggets with Oven Cooked Chips and Beans	Vegetarian	
The daily dessert choices will be as follows: Fresh Fruit, Yogurt, Jelly or Ice Cream pots			

## Accessing Lessons via Gaming Consoles

For families who are having difficulties accessing devices for their child's live lessons, some games consoles have the facility to access Microsoft Teams. This should only be used in instances where no other device is available, it is not appropriate for pupils to be logged into a gaming device during their School day unless this is the case. If this does help to provide a temporary solution. please can we ask that there is suitable supervision and it is used only for accessing lessons.



# Don't have a laptop? You can access Remote Learning through your Xbox or PlayStation

# Xbox

- 1. Plug in a keyboard and mouse (If you have them) into the USB
- 2. Go to 'My Games and Apps'
- 3. Find and open Microsoft Edge
- 4. Type in www.office.com as you would to access Office 365
- 5. Log in for access to Teams, Office 365, Outlook and OneDrive

## **PlayStation**

- 1. Press the PS4 logo on the controller
- 2. Go to the library and find the Internet browser (WWW)
- 3. Open the browser
- 4. Type in www.office.com as you would to access Office 365
- 5. Log in for access to Teams, Office 365, Outlook and OneDrive

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