**Sycamore Class Weekly Blog – Week 8**

Welcome back everyone! I hope you have managed to enjoy the glorious sunshine we have been experiencing over half term.

**Star of the week**

Last week’s ‘Star of the Week’ certificate was awarded to Riley. I have been so impressed with your work and creativity. I especially enjoyed your poem about your Grandad during WW2. This week’s Home Learning is similar to previous weeks. In English, we are moving on to using Reading Plus and starting our new unit about Goodnight Mister Tom. You also have a list of new spellings to learn this week and we are moving onto practising them and sitting test using a new system called Spelling Frame- don’t worry it is explained further on. For Maths, we are adding and subtracting Mixed numbers, arithmetic and TTRS. Finally, since we missed our Mini Medics training we are going to prepare by

**Up and Coming**

A great opportunity is coming up soon. Northumberland & Tyne & Wear Virtual School Games will take place on Friday 19th June between 10.00am – 3.00pm. Every hour there will be activities for primary aged students. More information will follow soon with details on how to access this but it is event to look out for!

Just to let you know, I'm in school this week, I will be checking emails in the evenings.

**Work to submit this week:**

As we are starting our new Home Learning packs this week I am only asking you to submit a copy of your Big Maths sheets and make sure you complete your Reading Plus and Spelling Frame online tasks.

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Don’t forget if you have any questions to drop me a message or why not make a post on our Google classroom so your classmates can help too.

**English**

**Lesson 1- Spellings**

A lot of you have told me that you enjoy completing work online. All of Year 5 has been set up with an online spelling programme, where your spellings are broken up into syllables and there are lots of games for you to practise before you complete your test online. You have each been given a username and password (in your new packs). As this is a new system I have created a step by step instructions, so please go through the PowerPoint before you start. You can practise by playing the games as many times as you want. **Remember you MUST take the test before Monday 8th June.**

**Lesson 2- Reading Plus**

To help us improve our reading skills we are going to start using an online programme called Reading Plus. Again, as it is new to us I have created a PowerPoint to help you start your navigation. We will be completing 5 lessons each week, don’t worry they don’t take very long.

**Lesson 3- Writing Task**

Your writing task this week is to write a narrative story. The story must be about someone who writes a message in a bottle or someone who receives a message in a bottle. Have a little look at the Writing task sheet to help you plan your story. Please drop me a copy I would love to read them!.

**Maths**

This week in maths we are going to look at adding and subtracting mixed numbers. Please work through the Powerpoint and then complete P 1 and 2 of your new workbook. We will also be completing Big Maths and TT Rockstar Garage session. Make sure you have some paper handy and complete the examples, like we do using whiteboards in class.

**Lesson 1- Adding and subtracting Mixed numbers**

Work through the PowerPoint to remind yourself about the vocabulary and what a fraction is.

**Lesson 2-** Complete your first Big Maths sheet from your new packs.

Don’t forget to send me a copy. If you get stuck on any question don’t forget I am just an email away.

**Lesson 3 – TTRockstar- 10 Garage sessions**

**First Aid-**

The week before half term should have been our Mini Medics training. To prepare us for when we can complete the training I would like you to work through the 2 PowerPoints this will help you to understand how and when to call for help and also how to complete what is called a Primary Survey- don’t worry it is explained in the PowerPoint.

As always I am only an email away.

Stay safe and keep smiling Miss B