Happy New Year to you all! I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and a good start to 2021. I've enjoyed some snowy walks in the woods with Tilly, I'm sure you've all made the most of any snow too. It's really important to get outside for some fresh air so try to wrap up warm and go for a walk or play as much as you can.

This is our first week of home learning for this term. I will try to add mymaths and emile units for you all to complete each week and there is always TTR too. If you need your log in details please email the class page and I will get them to you. These are some ideas of things that you can be working on at home, as ever

you need to be kind to yourself and your family, so please let me know if things are tricky for you to complete. <u>Woodpecker1@woodside.gloucs.sch.uk</u>

Please do stay in touch and send me any pictures or emails telling me what you have been up to. I miss you all lots and am looking forward to when we can be together once again.

Take Care,

Mrs Cotterell

# Home learning 5th January.

## <u>Literacy</u>

<u>Reading</u>

Try to read at home every day! You can choose what you read; it can be books, magazines, comics or even newspapers! There are lots of online books available to you if you need them.

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/

https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/

Aim for about 15 minutes of quiet reading where you can really get into the story.

There are some great audible books for you to listen to if you would prefer.

### <u>Spelling</u>

Our spelling lists for the next 6 weeks are on the class page. Click on the link to your group. If you would like the handwriting and word search sheets please email and ask so I can send them on to you. You can write your spellings out every day in your best handwriting. You can also look up their definitions and you can write them out into sentences, the sillier the better!

# <u>Writing</u>

I'd like you to start by writing a diary every day. This can include things you have done during the day, things you would like to be able to do, and things that you haven't done (and perhaps should!). You should be writing a short paragraph daily – but you can write more if you want. Try to write at least 5 entries per week. You could type it up on a computer if you would prefer.





I'd then like you to think about the holidays we've just had and have a go at the following:

- Describe your favourite gift and explain why it is your favourite.
- Write a thank you letter to someone.
- Write some ideas down for New Year Resolutions what do you want to achieve in 2021?

### <u>Maths</u>

We will be continuing with our work from last term on multiplying and dividing. There are some great video clips with questions on the White Rose website. We will be using these worksheets in school during lockdown so these activities will help keep you in line with what we are doing in class.

https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-3/week-9-number-multiplication-division/

https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-4/week-10-number-multiplication-division/

#### <u>Science</u>

We will be learning about rocks this term, specifically to be able to:

- compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties
- describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock



• recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

So for this week can you find out what Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic rocks are. I'd like you to go on a rock hunt around your home and garden and make a list of anything that you think is made with a natural rock and anything that you think is made from a man-made rock. You will need to research what a man-made rock is. (concrete is one example.)

https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/rock-cycle-bd29

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z9bbkqt

Finally, please make sure you are spending some time being active – use Joe Wicks or similar to give yourself a good workout! You could go out on a walk, on your trampoline, on your bike, scooter or skateboard, or even rollerskates!

Don't forget to send me some pictures using the <u>Woodpecker1@woodside.gloucs.sch.uk</u> email address.

Happy learning!