

Dear Parents and Carers,

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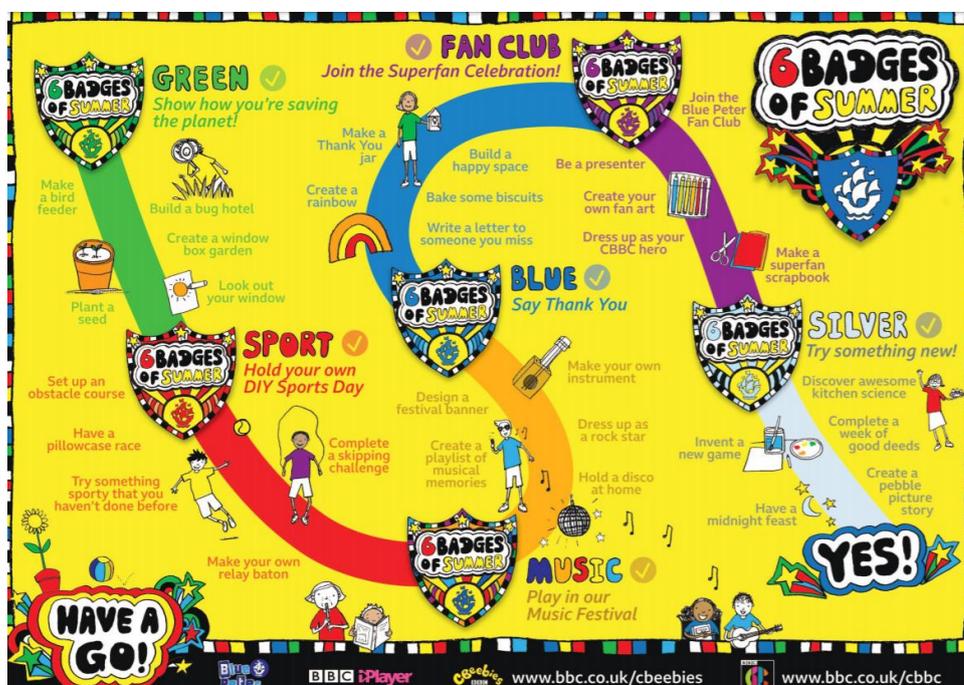
We would like to say a great big 'thank you' and 'well done' to your child for working so hard on the daily *School at Home* tasks. Also, a huge 'well done' to you for supporting them in their learning throughout this very difficult situation. It has been wonderful to see the outcomes of many of the tasks your child has completed through the photographs and messages so many of you have been e-mailing us

As the summer break approaches, the last daily *School at Home* tasks for this year will be set on Friday 17th July. There will then be a six week break, during which time teachers will not be accessing e-mails or online learning links.

Although there will be no *School at Home* tasks set during the Summer break, there are still lots of fun activities available that you can access through various websites, until school starts in September. Below are just a few that you all might enjoy.

Until the end of July, you have the chance of earning a Blue Peter Badge. Log on to the website and choose which badge you want to work towards.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/six-badges-of-summer>



<https://www.edinburghzoo.org.uk/webcams/>

24-hour live views of the animals made available through webcams! Watch penguins, tigers, koalas and pandas eat, play and sleep. Just scroll through the cameras to find out what they are up to!



<https://chatterpack.net/blogs/blog/list-of-online-resources-for-anyone-who-is-isolated-at-home>

A list of free, online, boredom-busting resources including arts and culture, learn a new skill, entertainment, music, virtual tours and more!



Please find below a link to the digital Summer issue of Raring2go! for our area:

<https://raring2go.co.uk/kidderminster-and-stourbridge>



As venues start opening up, the magazine will be a source of up-to-date information on what's available for families (it is linked directly to the Raring2go! online What's On calendar, so it is kept up to date with any new events and makes changes as they occur).

This issue is filled with lots of ideas for families to have fun close to home - ideas include den building, craft, healthy picnic ideas, and even a sports day in the garden! But there are also details of venues/attractions that are now open.

Don't forget to practise your reading. Use this website to access free online ebooks to enjoy reading at home.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/>



Change 4 Life have lots of ideas for indoor and outdoor activities <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/activities>

change 4 life

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/>

Split up by age group below, you will find ideas and guidance for simple activities that will engage your children at home, while also benefiting their reading, writing and language development.



You'll be able to access free reading and writing resources, audiobooks, videos, competitions and reading challenges. Every resource is available for free, although to access some you may need to create a free account.

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

Simple, fun activities from newborn to age five.



This website has lots of games for you to practise your phonics and reading skills.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>



This website shares ideas for a home based play activity each morning, using just bits and bobs from around the house. We hope you find these investigations exciting.

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/home/?id=6e4952f01f&u=fbf77d80b5426a97fe25e4316>

Tiny Happy People is here to help you develop your child's communication skills. Explore these simple activities and play ideas and find out about their amazing early development. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

TINY Happy PEOPLE
Your words build their world

Well done to all you home educators. As recently appointed teachers in your own homes, we hope you remember to reward yourselves with an end of term gift! Enjoy a well-deserved rest over the summer and we look forward to picking up where you have left off, in September. We wish you all a very safe, restful and happy summer. We are looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Mrs Macdonald and Miss Meads. 😊