

Google Classroom

Whilst you are at home you will still be receiving work regularly on Google Classroom. Tasks will be posted on a Monday with the expectation that they are to be completed by the end of the week. Please make sure you follow instructions and **press 'hand-in' once you are finished**. This is to ensure that your teacher can easily see you have completed the work set. If you have any questions or problems you can email your class teacher directly or post a comment on the Classroom stream. Your teachers will be monitoring your engagement and will get in touch with your PTPS teacher if you are not regularly submitting work. All classes will still be following the department's BGE course plans in line with the English and Literacy Benchmarks.

Reading for Pleasure

We always encourage our pupils to read for pleasure and now is no different. If you have a school library book, books at home, access to books on your phone or device, then you could spend 10-15 minutes each day reading. This is a fantastic way to expand your vocabulary, improve your reading and comprehension skills. Remember, once you have finished your book, log on to Accelerated Reader and take a quiz! Please see attached a step by step guide to accessing your AR account.

Accelerated Reader: Word Millionaires We will be monitoring your word count during this time and will post on each classroom the top 3 readers. Word Millionaires will be tweeted about and their achievement shared on the school website along with the overall top 10 readers. This will happen at the end of the term.

Home Connect lets parents/carers view what you are reading and how you are getting on with the quizzes. If parents would like to use this feature can you fill in this google form and we will send out the details needed.

<https://forms.gle/U4GRGxRttsfprR4MA>

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Literacy Challenge Bingo

For those who finish the tasks assigned on Google Classroom, here are some ideas for extension tasks to keep you busy. Aim to complete one box, a line or a full house and gain points for your school houses! To enter, create an online jotter and send your work to your class teacher or tweet us with pictures of your work.

Watch	Read	Listen
<p>Watch a literature based film. Check out regular 'Litflix' updates on @BucksburnE twitter page. If that's not your thing, watch a documentary.</p> <p>As you watch, ask yourself some key questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What are the key issues discussed? ● What is the purpose? ● Who is the target audience? 	<p>Read non-fiction texts to help develop your RUAE skills. Look for high quality articles from sources such as 'The Guardian' or 'BBC News.'</p> <p>See if you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identify audience/purpose of the article ● Summarise the key ideas ● Identify language features and their effect 	<p>Listen to an audio book or podcast. If you listen to a podcast, ask yourself the same key questions suggested when watching a documentary.</p> <p>Some podcasts to get you started are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● TedTalks ● Dear Book Nerd ● The Guardian Children's Books podcast
Write	Talk	Review
<p>We are living in strange times and writing can be a great stress reliever. Keep a journal of your thoughts and feelings during this time; not only will it help you process what is going on, it might also be useful for future writing tasks.</p> <p>If you prefer writing creatively, write a short story!</p>	<p>Start a virtual book club with your friends and/or family. Discuss what you are currently reading</p> <p>If you do not want to set up a book club, why not 'wave and rave' and post your recommendations to your Google Classroom.</p>	<p>Write a review on a literature based film you have recently watched.</p> <p>Check out film reviews written by students across the UK on the 'IntoFilm website.</p> <p>https://www.intofilm.org/clubs/review-of-the-week</p>



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