



Ampertaine Primary School

Wednesday 13th January 2021
Latest Information



Dear Parents,

Thank you for your cooperation and participation in our second week of Remote Learning. We understand this is a change from the norm and are thankful that our pupils had been partaking in this process weekly since September.

Remember to click on 'Learning' tab on the website

- PLEASE make use of the links and shortcuts to apps which can be found on our website. You simply have to click on the 'Learning' tab and this will bring you to the page. Below I have included again the list of useful links for home learning during this time for those who may have missed it the last time. The links range in subjects and offer an alternative avenue to gain more activities for those at home. Some of the links require a sign up process to access the free material. We hope you find the links helpful and beneficial.

Collection of School Resources

- Thank you to all who came to collect the materials from school on Monday 11th January. The materials are pupil specific and will range in provision according to their class and educational level.
- Our "Drive through" style collection was a huge success and enabled a fast collection of the resources. Massive thank you to all of our staff for assisting in this. Great team work by all.

Provision for children of Key Workers

- While it is crucial that key workers are able to attend work, if there is a parent / guardian / elder sibling at home or other provision available to key workers, then you must use that provision. This is essential to avoid schools becoming overwhelmed and having to close completely on safety grounds. THE SAFEST PLACE FOR CHILDREN IS IN THEIR OWN HOME.
- In order to avoid mass lock-downs we ask anyone sending their children to school to be particularly vigilant. If a child shows any symptoms he / she should remain at home.
- Children will have their temperatures taken on arrival and will not be allowed entry should they be presenting with a high temperature.
- **Children should bring a packed lunch.**
- **Children should attend wearing their school uniform.**
- **If learning activities are paper based, these should be printed and brought to school.**

Anyone who feels they may be entitled to apply for key worker provision needs to email Mr Dillon on mdillon539@c2ken.net no later than 2p.m Friday 15th January. Please provide the following details:

- parents names;
- a contact telephone number and email address;
- children's names, classes and teachers;
- parents' occupation that entitles you to key-worker provision; and
- which days you need your child to attend.



Ampertaine Stars



Ben, Katie, Mum and adorable pet dog enjoying their Christmas morning. What a super picture and we are all loving the brilliant Christmas themed PJ's. We hope you all had a great day.



Kelsey has been very busy. She has made a beautiful Banana bread. If the picture is anything to go by it looks amazing and am sure tastes delicious. Great job Kelsey.



Harry is enjoying walking on a very big ice puddle last Friday. Great to see Harry out and exploring close to where he lives. The weather was soooo cold. Dancing on Ice will be looking forward to Harry's application.



A picture of a very proud Sebastian with his Harry Potter Lego castle received from Santa. Sebastian impressively completed this all by himself. A fantastic job. His next project to build is a Hedwig. Can't wait to see that.

Please can we remind you to send in any pictures or news which you may have for us and would like to share with our school community to info@ampertaine.ps.maghera.ni.sch.uk.

Seesaw and Google Classroom

- Materials will be available from **9pm the evening before**, giving time to print and be ready for the activities in the morning if you wish to do so.
- There is an expectation now for this lockdown that each child should leave a message and upload work every day, where possible. **This demonstrates participation and the school can record that accordingly in our system for attendance.**
- Parents, please feel free to fit the activities into your own schedule and not feel pressured to complete the activities on the days they are posted. This should help to accommodate parents who are key workers and require some flexibility to balance the various demands of life and work. Generally, however, we would encourage the children, as far as possible, to do some work every day.
- Remember your teachers are available online every day during normal teaching hours.
- We reserve the use of Seesaw and Google Classroom solely as learning and teaching platforms. If you wish to get in contact with any queries or concerns about their work, we would ask that you continue to use the school info account.
info@ampertaineps.maghera.ni.sch.uk. Please remember to add the Name of the children and Class in the subject area. This will ensure the most efficient and effective communication between home and school in these challenging times.

Culnady BB Information.

- The Rev.Martin has provided the following information for our pupils.

LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL

John 10:10

JOIN US AT BB!

For 4 to 18 yr olds

IN THE UK WE HAVE...



40,000
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE



11,500
VOLUNTEER LEADERS



1,200
COMPANIES

Improve mental health and well being • build confidence • get a sense of belonging • try new things • learn leadership skills • achieve your best • be creative • get outdoors • win awards • get competitive • make healthy choices • respect and help others • use your voice • get involved

enjoy and live life to the full!



GET ACTIVE



GET INTO THE BIBLE



GET CREATIVE



GET LEARNING



GET ADVENTUROUS



GET INVOLVED



Anchors 4-8yrs



Juniors 8-11yrs



Company & Seniors 11-18yrs

Get your DofE Awards with BB Too!



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the adventure begins here

Useful Links For Home Learning

[Audible](#) Amazon audio books for kids FOR FREE

[BBC Bitesize](#) Learning clips and tutorials on a wide range of topics for children in P1-P7

[Blockly](#) Fun and free computer programming games

[CBeebies Radio](#) Listening activities for younger children

[Collins Books - FREE ACCESS TO BOOKS FOR P1 - P3 PUPILS](#) Click on the link and then click teacher. Username is parents@harpercollins.co.uk and password is Parents20!

[Crash Course Kids](#) Science videos on a range of topics

[Crickweb](#) Free online educational resources and games in all subjects for all ages.

[DK Find Out!](#) Great resource for a wide range of information in all areas of the curriculum

[Duolingo](#) Sign up and learn a language for free!

[Educational videos](#) Over 4300 videos linked to science, music, art and much more!

[Kids Learning Tube](#) Songs and videos which are great for learning!

[Khan Academy](#) Sign up to access practical exercises and instructional videos in all subjects

[Libraries NI](#) You can use Libraries NI to download free e-books for AR and to read to younger children?

[Literacy Shed](#) Video stimuli for writing

[Literactive](#) Literacy games, activities and ebooks for P1-P3 children

[Maths Chase](#) A fast moving game to help consolidate mathematical skills, eg-tables

[Minecraft](#) Free Minecraft education. Lots of coding, remote learning and activities available.

[myON](#) Access to online books which are very useful for children working on AR

Useful Links For Home Learning

[National Geographic - Kids](#) Activities and quizzes for all children

[Nature Detectives](#) Fun nature activities for the garden!

[Oxford Owl](#) Access to a range of free ebooks

[Primary Resources](#) A wide range of PowerPoints and worksheets for all areas of the curriculum and all ages

[Primary Homework Help](#) Lots of Literacy and Numeracy activities but also great for topic work and World Around Us!

[Red Ted Art](#) Art and craft activities

[Sesame Street](#) Games, videos and art activities for younger pupils

[Starfall](#) Literacy and Numeracy activities for P1-P5 pupils

[The Imagination Tree](#) Creative art activities for younger children

[The Maths Factor](#) Free access to Carol Vorderman's Maths tuition website

[The School Run](#) Resources and tutorials for a range of curricular areas. Free 14 day trial and then £42 for six months

[Topmarks](#) Free educational games and resources for all subjects and all ages

[Twinkl](#) Twinkl are offering a month of free access to parents in the event of school closures. It is packed with learning resources. You need the code UKTWINKLHELPS to access the offer.

[World Geography](#) Geography games