

## Weekly Learning for Year 6

### Easter Holiday Hobbies

**This year Easter Holidays will not be the same – but this doesn't mean it can't be just as fun.**

One way to make the most of your time at home, ensure that you don't get bored and make sure you have plenty to talk about when you see your friends next is to develop a new skill or hobby. Your new hobby could be absolutely anything (as long as you can do it at home!)

Below you will find some suggested hobbies that you could try out with some ideas/links to help you get started – but don't let these limit you. Please share any other hobbies you think of or try on our team blog. You can try out as few or as many hobbies as you like, you never know what you will enjoy until you try it.

We have also provided some links to help you enjoy outings to the zoo, museums and theatre from the comfort of your own home.

#### **Baking**

I know we have some avid bakers in the Year 6 teams!

Why not use this holiday to learn a new recipe from :

[www.bakingmad.com](http://www.bakingmad.com)

[www.tasty.co](http://www.tasty.co)

Missing Millie's cookies? – try this recipe that Miss Iqbal made with her maths group:

<https://www.bakingmad.com/recipe/copycat-millie-s-cookies>

#### **Learn some moves!**

Ever dreamed of being trained by a celebrity dancer? Now your dream can come true. At 11:30 every day, Strictly Come Dancing star Oti Mabuse is live-streaming dance classes suitable for all age groups on her YouTube channel.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC58aowNEXHHnflR\\_5YTtP4g](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC58aowNEXHHnflR_5YTtP4g)

There are lots of types of dance you could learn online and practice at home.

#### **Computing**

Develop your coding skills on: <https://code.org/learn>

Or why not become a movie maker using the 'Stop Motion Studio' app. Here is an example of a movie made with the app:

<https://www.facebook.com/606249199414870/posts/3108297319210033/?vh=e&d=n>

#### **Keep connected:**

We will be sharing any new hobbies we are trying out on the blog and ask that you do the same.

Whatever you try, please keep us posted via email, twitter or the blog – it may inspire your teachers or friends to also try out that hobby. If you are stuck for ideas feel free to get in touch to just say hi or check out the blog to see what your team mates are up to.

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#### **Sketching**

There are plenty of tutorials to draw almost everything on the internet. Just like everything, we are not born good at sketching – you have to practice it to develop it as a skill and now is your chance.

Check out the tutorials on this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QhFi5f-3htU>

This video contains just a few tutorials but there are plenty more out there. If you find any good ones please share them on the blog.

**Don't forget to share your master pieces with us via email, blog or twitter!**

#### **Top Tip: Keep Healthy, Keep Active!**

Whatever you choose, remember to stay active and healthy!

You can do this by using any of the keep active challenges we have posted so far, trying the 9am Jo Wicks workout

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEjo0TYIRfn6rYQ>) or why not try making up your own workout and sharing it with us on the blog.

### **Top Tip: Random acts of kindness**

Being kind and helpful to others makes us and those around us smile and has been scientifically proven to trigger feelings of pleasure in the brain. This holiday put some time aside to do a random act of kindness to one or every member of your family. This could be anything from reading to your siblings, cleaning the kitchen or mowing the lawn.

### **Learn a new language**

Want to travel the world or experience living in a different country? You are going to need more than one language. Use this website to help you learn another language <https://www.duolingo.com/>. Share your learning by writing your teacher an email or posting on the blog in another language.

### **Learn to play the piano**

There are numerous piano tutorials on YouTube and other websites (e.g. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5JUV825IVA>) You could learn to play these by practicing on a drawing of a piano or using an online piano like this one: [www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano](http://www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano) Don't think it is possible without a piano? Read this true story about how someone learnt to play the piano without a piano (<https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2019/nov/22/experience-i-learned-to-play-piano-without-a-piano>)

### **If you can't go to places, bring the places to you!**

- Watch theatre plays and musicals from the comfort of your own home – <http://www.filmedonstage.com/news/76-free-musicals-and-plays-you-can-now-stream-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak-updating-daily>
- Check out what the animals are doing at the zoo – [https://www.holidaypirates.com/travel-magazine/13-zoos-that-offer-live-streams-see-giraffes-koalas-pandas-tigers-penguins-more\\_35765](https://www.holidaypirates.com/travel-magazine/13-zoos-that-offer-live-streams-see-giraffes-koalas-pandas-tigers-penguins-more_35765)
- Museums all around the world – [https://www.holidaypirates.com/travel-magazine/10-awesome-museums-you-can-visit-from-home-in-your-pjs-virtual-tours-online-collections\\_35740](https://www.holidaypirates.com/travel-magazine/10-awesome-museums-you-can-visit-from-home-in-your-pjs-virtual-tours-online-collections_35740)

### **Try a fun science experiment**

There are lots of intriguing and exciting experiments you could try including:

- Make ice cream in a plastic bag
- Build a soap powered model boat
- Make a levitating orb

These and lots more can be found at:

<https://sciencebob.com/category/experiments/>  
<https://new.siemens.com/uk/en/company/education/students/diy-videos.html>

### **Gardening**

Why not try to grow your own vegetables – you can do this outdoors or indoors!

Here are some gardening projects to get you started:

- Growing Celery in a dish (<https://www.thespruce.com/growing-celery-from-a-bunch-848229>)
- Growing Garlic in a can (<https://www.thespruce.com/growing-garlic-greens-indoors-in-containers-848232>)
- Easy vegetables to grow in a small space: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jt8QdgxuAsQ>
- There are plenty of other fruit and vegetables you could grow – just use the internet to research how.

Don't forget to take plenty of photos and tweet them or send them in!

### **Top Tip: Clean space, Clean mind, Fresh Start**

Why not use this time to organise your room or clear out your wardrobe. Having a clear space can help you to clear your mind and think more clearly and positively. This can help you to become more productive and will also make space for whatever your new hobby might be.

### **There are lots more ideas – it is impossible for me to list them all!**

- Reading
- Gymnastics (Learn how to do a handstand)
- Singing (Learn a new song)
- Origami (use YouTube to help you make all kinds of paper art)
- Write and illustrate a comic book (Tell a story and send a message through photos)
- Sewing (Make a sock puppet from an old sock)
- Football (beat your kick up score or learn a new football trick to try on your friends when you next meet them)
- Poetry/Story writing

## **Educational Links**

Below are a list of links that you can use to help keep yourself busy (should you find yourself with some spare time!)

### **Maths**

- IXL to practise and revise key topics–  
[https://uk.ixl.com/promo?partner=google&campaign=1187&adGroup=Key+Stage+2&gclid=CPPa8teS\\_8kCFQbnwgodgOIB6A](https://uk.ixl.com/promo?partner=google&campaign=1187&adGroup=Key+Stage+2&gclid=CPPa8teS_8kCFQbnwgodgOIB6A)
- Times Table Rock stars–  
<https://trockstars.com/>
- BBC bite size to revise/revisit different subjects such as maths topics–  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>
- Maths games to help you consolidate your understanding of maths concepts–  
<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/math.htm>
- Online maths worksheets for different types of maths topics–  
<https://www.math-drills.com/>
- Online maths quizzes –  
<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/maths/>

### **Reading + English**

- Online website with lots of quizzes for different subjects including English and maths  
<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/>
- Free e-book Library where you can read over 100 books –  
<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>
- Try a creative writing challenge –  
<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/blog/harriet-muncasters-creative-writing-challenge/>
- Stories to listen to online which you can review/–  
<https://worldbook.kitabo.com/reader/worldbook/index.html?usertoken=Mjk5MzQ6MTpjUjA5MjAxNjoyOmNsaWVudDE2OTc6MTY5NzoyMjE2Mjg4OjE6MTU4NDM4MDEzMzA2Mjplcw==>
- Reading Rocks Reviews listen to the reviews of different books before you have a read –  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDBwXRaWOGPaKd9Hogt5C-w>
- Free audio book from David Walliams–  
<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>

### **SPaG**

- A website providing a range of grammar activities to improve SPaG–  
<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>
- A website to practise spelling rules and lists –  
[https://www.spellzone.com/word\\_lists/index.cfm](https://www.spellzone.com/word_lists/index.cfm)
- Online grammar quizzes –  
<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/english/>

### **PE**

- Jo Wicks PE channel – live 9am workout  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>
- Online workout for children  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L\\_A\\_HjHZxfl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L_A_HjHZxfl)