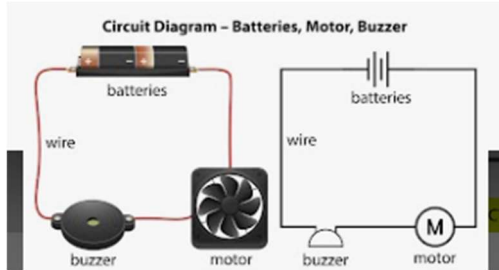


Rowan Class Homework Menu

We were really impressed, as usual, by the standard of homework projects last term – well done everyone. This menu details a range of fun activities that can be completed at home to extend your child's learning during the spring term. Please help your child to choose and complete a selection of these activities. To fit in with your family life, they can be completed after school, at weekends or as a half term project. If you would like further suggestions, please feel free to select ideas from the homework menus of other classes which are all available on the school website. Children will be asked to share at least one of the activities with us in school. The deadline for this homework is Wednesday 26th February and we will share and celebrate this work in the following week. We ask that the homework is not brought into class until after half term. We very much look forward to seeing the work.



English

- Write a persuasive letter to someone in your family. It could be to persuade them to take you somewhere fun, get a new pet, change your bedtime or make your favourite dinner!
- Write a non-chronological report to inform readers about one of your favourite things (animal, place, sport etc.).
- Write a non-chronological report about our history or geography topics. It could be general information or more specific about your favourite aspect!

History & Geography

- Build an ancient Mayan structure (pyramid, house etc.). You could use cardboard, popsicle sticks, paper, wood etc. Bring in your house to show the class or bring in a photo of you building it!
- Research some of the foods we have got from the Maya and make a dish (or a whole feast!) to show off some of these ingredients.
- Make a presentation about plastic pollution and how it affects the world's oceans.

Science

- What safe mixtures or solutions can you make at home? Can you separate them? What method could you use?
- Research how to make a battery using a lemon. Do any other fruits or vegetables work?
- Have a look at some of the simple experiments on this website: <https://www.teachingexpertise.com/stem/electricity-experiments-for-kids/>. Which ones could you do?

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Suggested Family Trips & Visits

- Take a walk around Wandlebury Park with its rich history from over 2,000 years ago.
- Cadbury World – find out about the links between the Maya and chocolate.
- The Cambridge Science Centre
- The beach – investigate the plants and animals that live there. Is there evidence of pollution? Is it having an impact on the area?

Mathematics

- Practise long multiplication and short division on squared paper. What is the largest number you can multiply by 2-digits? What is the largest number you can divide using bus-stop method?
- Create a maths problem or board game based on the Maya civilisation.
- Make a powerpoint presentation showing how the Maya number system worked.

Art & DT

- Have a go at creating your own photomontage. What will be shown? What will you use to create it?
- Make a city skyline using objects around the house (just like cheese grater city but with real objects). When you're done, take a photo of your skyline or try drawing it! Don't forget to colour the background.

Suggested Reading List

- Horrible Histories Smashing Saxons, Angry Aztecs or Incredible Incas.
- Oh Maya Gods! By Maz Evans.
- Novels by Louis Sachar e.g. *Fuzzy Mud* or *Small Steps*.