



Dartmoor
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST



Dear Parent/Carer,

Although the school is temporarily closed due to the Coronavirus, we are continuing to provide education for your child. Teachers will ensure children have access to home learning and will prepare activities weekly for your child to complete. Where possible there will be links to online tutorials on our website.

Below are suggested activities to keep your minds and bodies active and engaged during the May Half Term. There is no expectation of completion of these tasks, you don't have to submit them back to the school and nor will staff be providing detailed feedback – these are just for fun!

Staying at home, socially isolating, is challenging so we hope these activities may provide some engagement and enjoyment for your children.

Activity 1: 50 things to do before you're 11 and ¾

Choose something off the '50 things to do before you're 11 and ¾' list.

Not all of these are possible right now, but there are definitely some you can do in your garden or on your daily walk out!

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/50-things-to-do-before-youre-11--activity-list>

Activity 2: Mosaic Art

Create a piece of mosaic art. You could draw it, use different coloured paper, recycling objects or you could use dried food or household items.



Activity 3: Daily exercise

Now we are able to travel further for our daily exercise why not go for a walk/run/bike ride to somewhere you haven't been yet during lockdown. What new things can you see?

Activity 4: Paper Cups

There are lots of games you could play using paper cups: who can stack them the highest without falling, can you knock them down with a ball, can you get a ball inside the cups.



Activity 5: Learn a Magic Trick

See if you can learn a card trick from a how-to video on YouTube. It might take some time, but once you've perfected it you can show the whole family in an epic magic show.

Activity 6: Recipe Book

We know lots of you have been doing lots of yummy baking! Create your own recipe book with all the recipes you have followed so far. Maybe you will try some new ones or add some recipes which you would like to do.

Activity 7: Human Board Game

Now it's time to get super creative! You've most likely played lots of different board games but have you ever played the Human Board Game? For this, you'll need paper, pens, a dice and your imagination. Make your very own board game that the whole family can play with turns like 'Make a grass angel', 'Find three flowers' or 'Do two laps of the garden' – the possibilities are endless!

Activity 8: Have a Camp-out at home

A super fun family activity -- try these ideas for a great indoor camp-out or if you have good weather, set up a tent & enjoy some backyard camping activities!

Activity 9: Watch a movie together

Grab a favourite snack & enjoy a family movie day or night! The key word here is 'together' -- maybe a new movie you haven't yet seen.

Activity 10: Squeeze the Sponge Relay

You will need two buckets for each of your kids — one filled with water and one empty. Give each of the kids one sponge. The object of the game is to transfer the water from bucket to bucket using the sponge. Whoever does it the fastest is the winner.

Activity 11: Play Detective

Kids will love this CSI/detective fingerprint science activity see link below that can be done using baby powder & tape!

<https://www.kcedventures.com/blog/fingerprint-science-for-kids>

Activity 12: Make Marshmallow Constellations

Not only fun but tasty too – create these marshmallow constellations and do a little star gazing one evening!

Activity 13: Design and make a scarecrow

Make a scarecrow to put in your garden or the front of your house with a friendly message.

Activity 14: Create an alien planet with inhabitants

Think about what the planet has/doesn't have. Will it be the opposite to ours?

Design your aliens and their families-draw them, make them, give them characters!

Draw their trees/bushes/flowers, make an alien flag, what language do they speak? Design some alien writing

What does an alien house look like? Build it in lego or bricks

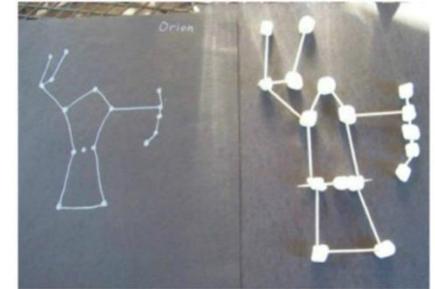
Activity 15: Clothes challenge

Design clothes for a variety of people. Design bad taste outfit for your Mum/Dad or even you. Design an outfit for your teacher! Design a bag for adventures, design a hat (and make it from paper) for different kinds of weather

Activity 16: Care for a 'Yipper'

A yipper has 3 arms, one wheel and one leg. He has a very runny blue nose, the snot gets tangled in his hair! Draw a Yipper, then design a Yipper (picture or 3D) What will he eat? Where will he sleep? How big is he?

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Activity 17: Design a front door

Design front doors for lots of different types of people. Think about colour, bell, knocker, size, shape and colour... Don't forget to draw the person too-behind the front door. Will it be a monster, a grandparent, a celebrity, a pet...

Activity 18: Make big words

Choose 10 letters from the alphabet-include at least 2 vowels (aeiou) Make as many words as you can from the letters. Challenge yourself or others to do it in a set amount of time eg 1 minute! Who can make the longest or most challenging word?

Activity 19: Bird Watching

Make a list of different types of birds that you would like to spot in your garden. Go for a walk or sit in your garden and see how many of those birds you can spot. You could take photos of the birds and draw them.

Activity 20: Create a Zen garden

In your garden or in a shoe box create a mini zen garden. You can use stones, rocks, leaves, pebbles, sand etc. You can change your mini zen garden around whenever you like.

Activity 21: Study a spider web

Can you find a spider web outside- or inside! Study it closely (with a magnifying glass if you have one!), is it a small or large web? What type of spider do you think has made it? Are there any flies on the web? Can you sketch the spider web?

Activity 22: Create an obstacle course

Can you design and create your very own obstacle course? You can do this either inside or outside. Time yourself completing the course and see if you can beat it!

Activity 23: Butterfly and dragonfly hunt

Can you spot and count how many different butterflies and dragonflies you can see? Where did you see them? What kind of plants were they on?

Activity 24: Outdoor pick up sticks

Collect as many sticks and twigs as you can, pile them up and take one of at a time, whoever knocks down the pile loses!

Activity 25: Play pooh sticks

Go to your local, nearest river and throw sticks from one side of the bridge/starting point. See whose twig gets furthest! A twist on this, make mini rafts and add lego people!

Activity 26: Stone towers

Build towers-using stones or pebbles, see how many unusual towers you can build, who's is wonkiest/tallest/widest? A twist on this-try building archways or bridges!