

Learning Project WEEK 8– Authors Week

Year 6

Weekly Maths Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)	Weekly Reading Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Times Table Rockstars 15 mins per day. • Mathletics – children should attempt this week’s assigned activities. • BBC Bitesize Daily Maths Lessons – a mix of video tutorials and written practice tasks • White Rose Home Learning – A selection of lessons and worksheets that can be used in addition to Mathletics. • Reading Timetables Worksheet (worksheet on website) This will be good preparation for secondary school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children should read for at least 20 mins every day. • Following this, discuss the chapter/ section with your child and ask questions. • Complete the Friday Reading Activity on BBC Bitesize. • Read online with Epic. • Remember to log onto Accelerated Reader after completing any book to see if you can take a test. • Read two of the story extracts that interest you on the school website and compare them. Explain to a family member how the authors’ styles are similar/ different.
Weekly Spelling Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)	Weekly Writing Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage your child to practice the Year 5/6 common exception words (or their own list brought home from school). • Mr Whoop’s Spelling Mistakes. Complete one activity sheet per week – the pack is on the Home Learning section of the school website. • Use Spelling Frame to practice the Year 5 Spelling Rules – choose a rule that you know you struggle with. • Spelling Shed – 20 mins per day. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find out what the job of an author involves. This BBC clip might help: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zk66fg8 or take some author Masterclasses from real-life authors at: https://authorfy.com/ Write a job advertisement for an author. What skills would they need to have? What would the job entail? • Take a ‘book wander’ into your favourite book. Write about what it’s like there and who you meet. Be as descriptive as you can. • Book Review – use the template to answer questions about the book you have read. • Did you ever want a story to end in a different way or take a different path during the adventure? Now’s your time to change that. Write your own chapter to change the ending or part of a book that you have read.
Learning Project - to be done throughout the week	

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to read and explore the works of a variety of different authors. There are extracts from texts on the School Website but the activities can be used with any texts your children enjoy reading at home.

Reading Challenge

Take your reading book and think about the setting the author chose for their story. Why is this setting suitable? Why did they choose it? Then find an interesting place to read that suits your book for example you could read an Alex Rider book hidden under the table, pretending to be a world-class secret agent or you could read Harry Potter under the stairs and pretend that you're in Privet Drive. Hopefully the weather will be nice enough to take your book outside. Be imaginative and send us a photo!

Re-design a book cover

Take a favourite book from a favourite author and re-design the front cover. You could even have a go at writing a new blurb. What other information needs to be included on the covers of the book? Why not ask your parent to email or Tweet your new design to the author, let us know if you get a reply!

Character Fashion Designer

Choose your favourite character from a book and create a costume for them. Take a picture to show us some of your great creations!

Freeze Frame:

Get the family involved and create a tableau / freeze frame of a certain part of a story. Send us or Tweet a photo of it to see if we can guess the story and what is happening.

10 minute Challenge

Take a ten minute challenge from a best-selling author.

<https://authorfy.com/10minutechallenges/>

Undertake an author's challenge such as writing from the point of view of an animal, or select an illustrator's challenge. There are plenty to choose from.

Author profiles

Do you have a favourite author? Choose an author and write a profile all about them. What books have they written? Where were they born and where did they grow up? Are they popular all over the world? Think about how to design your profile using writing, artwork and quotes!

Interviews

Interview someone in your family about their favourite author. Who is their favourite author and why do they like them so much? How many of their books have they read? What have they learnt from this author. Think of some more questions and see what you can find out!

Maths Challenge

An author gets to keep 25% of the money made from selling her books. Her book costs £7.99. How much money will she make if she sells 125,000 copies of her book?

Additional learning resources parents may wish to engage with

[Classroom Secrets Learning Packs](#) - These packs are split into different year groups and include activities linked to reading, writing, maths and practical ideas you can do around the home.

[Classroom Secrets Kids](#) – English and Maths activities

[Twinkl](#) - to access these resources click on the link and sign up using your own email address and creating your own password. To register for free use the offer code: UKTWINKLHELPS.

[Draw with Rob](#) – Rob Biddulph (children’s illustrator) posts two new video tutorials online per week. Tuesdays and Thursdays @10am. You can join in with him live or watch his videos on the website.

[PE with Joe Wicks](#) – daily PE/ fitness sessions with Joe Wicks at 9am daily.

[Duolingo](#) – Free online Spanish tuition for adults and children.

[Theatre of Science](#) – Live online Science Lessons 1.30pm on Tuesdays (Facebook) or videos posted on YouTube (click on blue link).

[BBC Celebrity Supply Teacher](#) – daily lessons at 9.25am on CBBC and iPlayer. A variety of topics taught by celebrities such as Gary Linekar and Tim Peake.