

Learning in Lockdown

During this lockdown, we have been doing school lessons on Zoom. At first, it felt very different, but it is actually quite similar to a normal school day. We start school at 09:00, then read until 09:30. At 9:30, we log on to our first Zoom lesson, which is English. We learn for an hour, and then we have a break from 10:30 until 11:00. We do maths from 11:00 until 12:00 on Zoom, then we have a break until 13:00 for us to eat lunch. After lunch, we do non-core subjects. We have just finished learning about The Anglo-Saxons and Vikings in history, and have moved on to geography. We finish this at 14:00, and have a half-hour break until 14:30, which is when we do spelling and French. After we finish that at 15:00, we have the class story. That is my favourite part of the day because we can move to a more comfortable place, like the sofa, and then we listen to the story for half an hour.

We hand our books in to the school on Thursday for them to be marked, and are able to pick them up from 4p.m. on Friday until 8:30a.m. on Monday. Since we don't have our books on Fridays, we do an arithmetic, a reading comprehension and a grammar, punctuation and spelling test. These are given to us in our learning packs, which we collect with our books. Every week, we get a daily checklist for our Everything Book, and for our Maths Book. We stick these in and complete them each day. We also get spellings each week, which we practise every day. We get tested on these every Monday.

Lockdown has been very different, and I especially miss being able to see my friends. I miss being able to go out and do things, like go to the shops or restaurants. It has felt very strange not being able to go out, but I have become quite used to it. I hope lockdown will be over soon, because otherwise I will not be able to celebrate my birthday properly. I think that the Coronavirus has also brought a lot of people together because everybody in communities are helping each other, with things like shopping for people who are more at risk, or just checking to see if people are alright.

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