

NEWS FLASH HOMEWORK CLUB

PUPIL PACK

JANUARY 11-15

This pack includes ...

LIST OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

PUPIL WORKSHEETS FOR THE WEEK

****You can access all activities online as a paperless alternative where no photocopying is needed. ****

*****You WILL NEED access to your NF mag (ONLINE VERSION) when completing some of the activities*****

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Children visit www.theprimaryplanet.ie
and click on the News Flash bar

1. NF WEEKLY QUIZ (AUDIO)

(15 QUESTIONS, POSTED ONLINE FROM MONDAY A.M.)

2. FILL IN THE BLANKS

(A VOCABULARY ACTIVITY, AVAILABLE ON WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

3. CORRECT THE MISTAKES

(A ACTIVITY, AVAILABLE ON WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

4. WHAT'S IN THE NEWS

(A COMPREHENSION ACTIVITY, AVAILABLE ON WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES EXPLAINED

1. NF WEEKLY QUIZ (AUDIO)

A 15-question general knowledge audio quiz posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. You listen to an audio file, as we call out the questions. You can write down your answers on an answer sheet, in a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers to the quiz are posted every Friday in the Friday Answer Podcast (also audio), allowing you to listen in and self-correct.

2. FILL IN THE BLANKS (WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

A comprehension activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. This activity requires you to fill in the 8 words from the word box to complete the article. You can write down your answers on an answer sheet, a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers to the cloze tests are posted every Friday in the Friday Answer Podcast (also audio), allowing you to listen in and self-correct.

3. CORRECT THE MISTAKES (WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

A spelling activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. This activity requires you to find the 8 misspelled words from the article. You can write down your answers on an answer sheet, a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers to the editing exercise are posted every Friday in the Friday Answer Podcast (also audio), allowing you to listen in and self-correct.

4. WHAT'S IN THE NEWS (WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

A comprehension activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. This activity requires you to answer the 10 questions based on this month's news pages in the January issue of News Flash (pages 3 and 4). You can write down your answers on an answer sheet, a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers to the cloze tests are posted every Friday in the Friday Answer Podcast (also audio), allowing you to listen in and self-correct.

Answer Sheet for your

NF WEEKLY QUIZ

Right, before anyone asks you to do anything, be ready to shout: **IN TEN MINUTES!**
As that's how long it will take you to complete this, we're thinking.
OK, enough of the intro, we want answers ... **NOW!** So, listen up!

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DATE: _____

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FRIDAY SCORE: _____

Cloze Test Activity

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Read through the words in the orange box first and make sure you understand them. Then, read through the article. Make sure you think about the best place to put a word, not the first place. Careful as you go, as some words may fit in more than one place, while other words will only suit one.

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LITTLE PYGMY POSSUMS SAFE AND WELL

The world's _____ possum species has been rediscovered on Kangaroo Island in South Australia.

Wildlife _____ feared the little pygmy possum population had been wiped out after half of the 500-hectare island was _____ by bushfires at the beginning of last year.

Much to their relief, they found the species is safe and well. So, how did the pygmy _____ manage to evade detection for over eight months? Being nocturnal animals, they are only active at _____, and they weigh just eight grammes, so the little critters are pretty hard to _____!

_____ from a conservation group made the discovery while working with local landowners to assess the damage caused by the bushfires.

As Australia gets set to head into another bushfire _____, it will be even more important to look after these tiny marsupials.

Your answers

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Editing Activity

CORRECT THE MISTAKES

In this month's Editing Activity, we need you to find the 8 incorrect spellings. When you do, in your best handwriting, see if you can write them correctly in the box below.

8 SPELLING MISTAKES

2021 - THE YEAR OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Let me explain – the United Nations General Assembly has declared 2021 as the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables.

That's write – they want to remind evryone just how good our greens and fruits are for us.

It is so important to include these food types in our diet if we want to stay healthy – and who dosen't want that!

So, maybe 2021 could be the year that you try some new friuts and veggies.

Let's see ... anyone for a jicama, kohlrabi, rambutan or soursop?

Your answers

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Comprehension Activity

IN THE NEWS

How well have you read this month's paper? Here, in Question Time, as well as testing your memory and retention skills, we also test your imagination and creative skills. We base this activity on our news section, pages 3 and 4.

1. Newgrange is in which county? _____
2. Sebastian _____ is the president of Chile.
3. Tom Hill lives in this town. _____
4. In which ocean is South Georgia Island? _____
5. Madoka Hori lives in this country. _____
6. What is Geraint Tarling's occupation? _____
7. The fire at Tom Hill's house began with a _____.
8. What is the population of Chile? _____
9. What is the length of the passage at Newgrange? _____
10. To do sean-nós dancing you don't need a _____.

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