

# Leigh on Mendip School

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As we approach the last week of term, we would all like to thank you for your hard work battling the challenges of online learning. It has been a really testing time for children, parents and staff alike. Hopefully we might be back in school a few weeks into Term 4, and I'm sure we all agree that seeing the children's smiling faces streaming back through the gate that first morning will be a great pleasure and relief for us all.

**Next Friday sees our 'Screen-Free Day'**, where we have a series of activities which do not require the children (or staff) to be in front of a screen. The set of activities we've put together are shown below, and I'm sure the children will relish the chance to try out as many of them as possible. We would love to see some photos of the fun you have at home trying them out; please email these to your child's class address and we will put as many as we can onto the newsletter.

Mrs Phillips



## Leigh Friday Screen-Free Day



We would like you to take part in a Wellness Day on Friday 12th February. There is no need to open a device for the whole day, so it is a chance to be 'screen-free' for the entire day. You can mix and match as many of the 24 ideas below to fill your day.

Your grown up can photograph you and post on Google Classroom or send your photos to your child's class email. We will showcase some of your work in the school newsletter. Have a great half term!

<b>Maker Hour</b> 	Make a tall tower using objects in your house.	Create a hide-me stone. Go for a walk and hide it for someone to find.	Have a family bake-off and judge whose is best.	Draw a picture on a cereal box and cut it out to make a jigsaw.	Build a den or a fort (inside or outside).	Make a boat that will float. Whose will float the longest?
	<b>Fitness Hour</b> 	Create your own fitness routine.	Build an obstacle course either inside or outside.	Go outside and tidy up in the garden, or wash the car!	Hold an indoor disco (perhaps a kitchen disco!)	Go for a sensory walk and discuss what you see, hear and smell.
		<b>Genius Hour</b> 	Share and read your favourite book with someone.	Write and perform a play script involving your family.	Invent a new maths game using a pack of playing cards.	Learn to read/spell 5 new words and teach someone else.
	<b>Zen Hour</b> 		Help someone in your house (wash the dishes, tidy your room).	Look through a family photo album. Discuss who the people are.	Teach a family member some yoga moves or stretches.	Have a joke competition. Who can tell the funniest joke?
						Write a letter to a family member in another house and send it.
						Listen to some music together. Share your favourite musical artists.

### Notices

- COVID-19 - please email us should any of your children test positive for Covid-19.