

## Week SUM 2 WEEK 1 Home Schooling - English

English: 1] Keep reading, as often as you can.

2] Spelling rules and handwriting: just to remind you - write out the 2 rules in your best handwriting and then put the words into sentences.

Rule 1; Extension of words with silent letters; plumber (especially for Connor in 5RA), succumb, doubt, doubtful, honour, heir, rhombus.

How are you getting on learning all the words from the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 spelling list? Keep going with 5 a day.

3] We are starting on a new English theme;

### **Ice Trap! Shackleton's Incredible Expedition, One Giant Leap and Space Poems**

This may sound very long winded but it is combining the incredible explorer Ernest Shackleton and his remarkable voyage to the Antarctic in 1914 and Space Age exploration, including the landing on the moon.

The texts we will be covering are Ice Trap! By Meredith Hooper and One Giant Leap by Robert Burleigh; there will also be some space poems - this will be one of the tasks this week.

Some Shackleton websites to look at; **the best one is the last one** - it is very visual (the chapters are down the side; once selected, you need to use the red and black penguin symbols at the top of each page, to turn the page, as each page is double sided.)

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/britain\\_wwone/launch\\_ani\\_shackleton.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/britain_wwone/launch_ani_shackleton.shtml)

<http://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/shackleton/>

[http://www.salariya.com/web\\_books/explorer/intro/pages/intro.html](http://www.salariya.com/web_books/explorer/intro/pages/intro.html)

You have 3 tasks;

### **TASK 1 ; to find out the story of Earnest Shackleton and his team on the Endurance.**

To read through the about websites - if this is tricky for you, go only to the last one; type in the http into your search box.

Make some notes; suggest this is in the form of some key dates, events, who was where and with whom eg Shackleton and some of his men left to get help in a small boat called the James Caird.

Keep these notes in readiness for next week.

## TASK 2; Reply to this advert

This was the advert that Earnest Shackleton put in The Times newspaper in 1914, wanting a crew for The Endurance - very blunt and to the point.

Your task is to use the attached paper, to reply to Mr Shackleton, giving good reasons why he should pick you.....there were only about 30 places and hundreds applied!



## TASK 3; Space Poetry

To try and get into the swing of the Space side of the new theme, have a read of the attached space poems - these were written by real Year 5 pupils on the mainland. The format was quite straight forward;

- Onomatopoeia for the start of a verse - a word that sounds like the action.
- Using I or we to describe what is seen/experienced - good opportunities for Adjective, Adjective, Noun writing.
- Last line of a repeated participle.....have a read, you will get the idea.

Use the attached paper to write your best poem and to illustrate.