

Hello again Year 6,

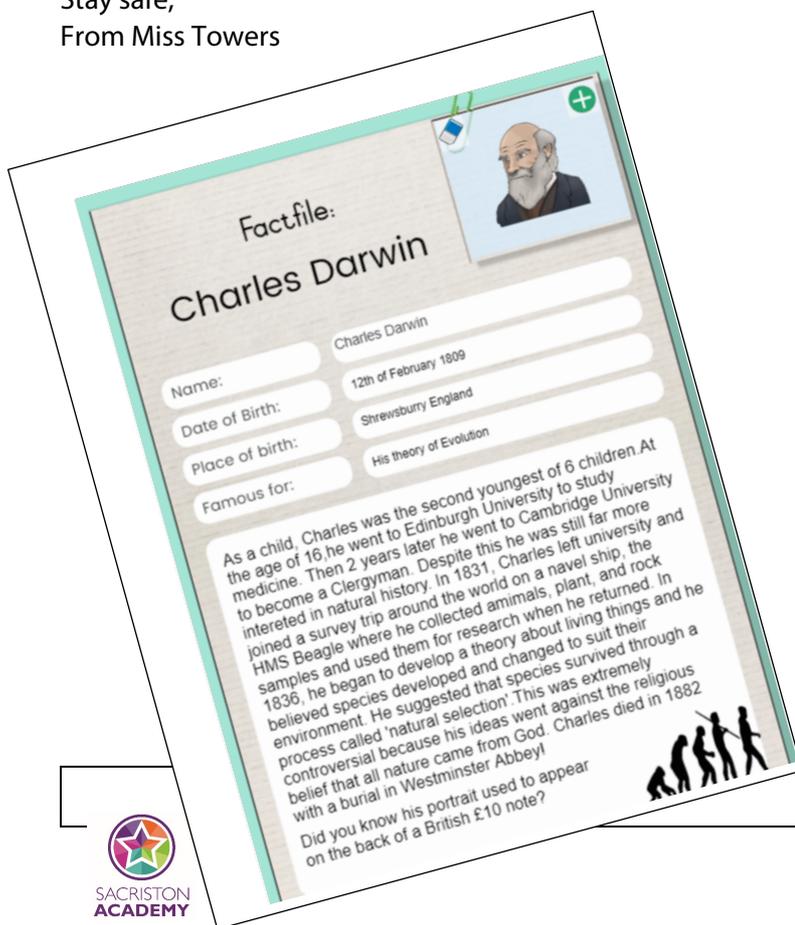
This week I have loved seeing your work and reading your comments on class dojo. Your work on Purple Mash has been fantastic especially surrounding VE day. I have included some examples for you to see if you haven't managed to access class dojo yet. Please look out for the letter arriving in the post; it is a great way for us to keep in touch!

I hope you had a brilliant time celebrating VE Day whilst staying safe at home. I would love to see some photos!

Remember that in addition to the tasks here, you can still access a range of sites: TimesTables Rockstars; NumBots; SpellingShed; MathsShed; Fiction Express and Oxford Owl.

I look forward to hearing from you all through Class Dojo. I miss you all.

Stay safe,  
From Miss Towers



**Factfile:**  
**Charles Darwin**

Name: Charles Darwin  
Date of Birth: 12th of February 1809  
Place of birth: Shrewsbury England  
Famous for: His theory of Evolution

As a child, Charles was the second youngest of 6 children. At the age of 16, he went to Edinburgh University to study medicine. Then 2 years later he went to Cambridge University to become a Clergyman. Despite this, he was still far more interested in natural history. In 1831, Charles left university and joined a survey trip around the world on a naval ship, the HMS Beagle, where he collected animals, plants, and rock samples and used them for research when he returned. In 1836, he began to develop a theory about living things and believed species developed and changed to suit their environment. He suggested that species survived through a process called 'natural selection'. This was extremely controversial because his ideas went against the religious belief that all nature came from God. Charles died in 1882 with a burial in Westminster Abbey!

Did you know his portrait used to appear on the back of a British £10 note?



8th May 1945  
**News Today Chronicle** 2p

### VE Day - It's All Over!

At 2:41 yesterday morning at general headquarters, the German high command waved the white flag to announce the war is over.

The German war was no over. The prime minister was honoured to announce that the war was over. Every one gathered on the roads to celebrate.

At one minute past twelve, Winston Churchill announced that the German war was officially over. Celebrations went on until throughout the whole night.



## English

Follow this link: <https://www.talk4writing.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Y6-Unit.pdf>

**Monday:** Complete activities 1 and 2 which will introduce you to this writing unit.

**Tuesday:** Complete activity 3: 'artistic challenge'

**Wednesday:** Complete activity 4: 'idioms'

**Thursday:** Complete activity 5 and explore the importance of reading with fluency and expression

**Friday:** Complete activity 6: 'reading comprehension'

We will continue with this unit next week.

Before starting a new activity each day, look back at the work you have completed on this unit previously to refresh your memory.

**Extra:** Remember to keep reading and completing quizzes on Accelerated Reader.



## Maths



Follow this link: <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-6/>

For Maths this week, we will be learning about fractions which we studied earlier in the academic year. Click on **Summer Term: Week 3**. We are following this a week behind White Rose Maths so that I can have a look at it first and ensure it is suitable for all of you.

Underneath the title, you will find a video which demonstrates the learning of the lesson, breaking down the understanding. Please pause and repeat this as needed. If you would like to write notes down during the video, please do. Once you have watched the video, please click on the 'Get the activity' section. This will then take you to a variety of different lessons based on the learning in the video. If you have access to a printer, you could print this off, however, alternatively, you could load up the document and work within your workbook to find the answers. After this, you have access to the answers, so you can mark your own work.

**Monday:** Simplifying fractions

**Tuesday:** Comparing and ordering fractions

**Wednesday:** Adding and subtracting fractions

**Thursday:** Mixed addition and subtraction

**Friday:** Challenge!



## Science



Our new Science topic is evolution and inheritance. Last week, you researched Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution.

This week, find out about Charles Darwin's visit to the Galapagos Islands by watching this video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s64Y8sVYfFY>. You can also do your own research. You may also find this video interesting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZbITQ0dqxCO>.

Make notes about his visit and present your findings in a way of your choosing. You could choose a tool to publish through Purple Mash or you may want to create a poster or fact file. It doesn't have to be online – it can be on paper. Remember you can send photos of your work through Class Dojo.

You will need these notes for next week – so keep them safe!

This is a great search engine to use: <https://www.kiddle.co/>



## History



The **Maya** are an indigenous people of Mexico and Central America who have continuously inhabited the lands comprising modern-day Yucatan, Quintana Roo, Campeche, Tabasco, and Chiapas in Mexico and southward through Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador and Honduras

Look at a range of images that illustrate aspects of ancient Maya civilisation. Develop a list of questions, based on the images you find, that would form a basis for further research work.



## Music



Follow this link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z682xyc>

There are two videos and three links which will cover duration and tempo.



### Art/ DT



Last week, I asked you to create a self-portrait of yourself in the style of Frida's work. This week I would like you to be even more creative. Can you create the image below using 3D materials? You could find flowers in the garden or use other objects. Think outside of the box and I look forward to seeing your creations!

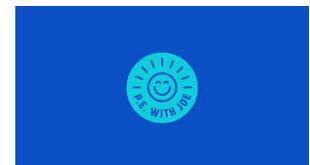


### PE



Continue to complete P.E with Joe every day. You don't have to do it live – all of the videos are saved to his YouTube channel so you can do it later in the day if you prefer.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>



### RE



Last week, you researched the Islamic festival of Ramadan. This week, I would like you to research two festivals from other religions. Make a table of similarities and differences.



### Try something new...



Choose one – or more if you wish – of the activities below.

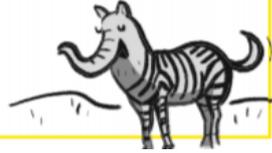
**1 Get doodling!**

Grab some paper and pens and doodle anything you like! Animals, aliens or something else.



**2 Create your own animal.**

Could you combine two of your favourites? What will you call it?



**3 Design and draw a new musical instrument.**

How would you play it and what will it sound like?



**4 Make up your own 5 minute exercise routine.**

What will you include?

