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And a good morning to you! :-)

Hope you all had a lovely weekend! How did the VE party go?! Hope it was great fun and you learnt something new; even if it was just experiencing it! 'Living' history is what helps you to remember it!

I am currently writing this on the Thursday before VE day (7th May) so *I* haven't technically had VE day yet! It's tomorrow for me... but to you, it was three days ago!.. *Weird!! It's like time travel!! Ha ha!* So, I will post some pictures tomorrow... (your tomorrow not my tomorrow or that would be VE day, which is three days ago to you... STOP!! Toooo confusing!!)... of what I got up to! Mrs Hill and Henry made some VE hats and bunting this afternoon, so I shall (will have already, to you!) be donning a newly made, one of a kind, VE day hat and pinning up some 1940s style, home-made bunting! *It's all terribly exciting!* \*(Look up 'donning' - root word = 'don'). It's wartime food making in the morning...can't wait!... (three days ago morning to you! Ha ha ha!!)

Ok, thought I'd post some maths for you to download and do on ratio and proportion...*Oooh, lovely! :-)* I'm so sorry those of you who usually work on coloured paper, but I can't seem to change the colour of the background... *I've spent an hour trying!!*... so if you *can* print it out on a different coloured paper, or use a coloured lens or glasses, then I hope that helps! If it's still a problem, email in and we'll see if we can help another way. :-)

Because it's all very difficult being apart, sending you a video of me talking through some relatively new maths (we just started to look at it if you remember!) is quite hard! I recorded a video for a week a go, but the video was just too large for the website to deal with! So... I have found some excellent videos of other people teaching ratio, which I hope helps. Watch the first three.

What is a ratio? https://youtu.be/RQ2nYUBVvqI

and https://youtu.be/79H20gj5riQ (KS2 ratio)

Proportions and equivalent fractions: https:// youtu.be/USmit5zUGas

**Blue Group** you could also look at this one: https://youtu.be/0Y-tmGqcAg0

The questions are on the home learning page with today's message. **'Core activities'** are for everyone and **'Challenging'** is for <u>anyone</u> who wants to have a go at something more challenging!

You don't need to do all three (or 6!) today, you can space them out and keep watching the videos as they may be of some help to you. The more you practise and watch, the more it will sink in. :-)

If you need help, check in with an adult or older sibling, or send me an email and I'll see if I can help you. :-)

How are you getting on with your bridge design for the competition?! Have you found out anything about the Colca Canyon?

Time to think... time to discuss...

#### \*How important is tourism to Peru, do you think? \*How do you think the Corona Virus is effecting tourism? \*What attracts tourists to Peru?

# <u>Geography tourism and Science link:</u> Andean condors.

Whilst visiting the Colca Canyon, Mrs Hill and I had the most amazing opportunity to see wild Andean Condors... *incredible!* I had always wanted to see them, as it's not a bird you see in the zoo! One of the main reasons for visiting the Colca Canyon for me, was to see the condors!



#### \*Research about the Andean Condor.

Where do they live?
What makes them special?
What is their diet?
Wingspan?
How long do they live for?
How many eggs do they lay and hatch?
What *adaptations* have they got to enable them to live high in the Andean Mountains?

\*Make an <u>information fact sheet</u> about the Andean Condor, with a drawing or a picture of one in the centre. Mention how these magnificent birds draw millions of tourists every year!

Another creature I saw by the dozen(!), and I know the girls in particular would have loved this, was the wild guinea pig; also found in the Colca Canyon. If you wanted to do a information fact sheet about 'wild' guinea pigs, or **cavies** as they technically known, then you can do <u>both</u>, however I wanted you to focus on the Andean condor as it is something you may not have come across before. :-)

Whilst I was washing up last week, I saw a brilliant programme called 'The Secret of Bones' on BBC4, and thought of you lot! It's something I wanted to explore with you, and there happens to be a BBC programme all about it!! It explained how the skeleton of vertebrates (animals with backbones) tells us a lot about animal adaptations and how they evolved! Its definitely worth a watch!

Here's the write up about it: Evolutionary biologist and master skeleton builder Ben Garrod presents a sixpart series looking at how bones have enabled vertebrates to colonise and dominate practically every habitat on Earth... That's adapting and evolving to you me!

Episode 1: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/ b03vrtzp Episode 2: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/ b03wct07 Episode 3: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/ b03x3zfs Episode 4: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/ b03xsgwh Episode 5 and 6 haven't aired at the time I was doing this. They were on every night last week at 7:30pm

for half an hour. So easy to watch! have a look!! They

may deepen your understanding by the science, or help you with your evolved creature that you created; either to change it or to help you design it!

Ok, that's Maths, Geography, English, Science, Art... that's enough for one day!!

**Challenge of the day:** Learn to count to 20 in German!

Right, I'm off to make a cup of tea and raid the cake tin (without Mrs Hill knowing... *Shhh! Don't tell her!! He he, ha ha!!*)

Hope your Monday is a 'fun-day!'

But before you go...

Why were the teacher's eyes crossed? He couldn't control his pupils!

#### What is the shortest month?

May, it only has three letters.

## **Teacher: What can you tell me about the Dead Sea?** *Pupil: I didn't even know it was sick!*

Ha ha ha!!! :-D

God bless,

Mr Hill :-)