### **Introduction**



Hello St Peter's. We hope everyone is safe during these tough and difficult times. We give you a hearty welcome to St. Peter's first ever blog produced by Ms Carroll's 6th class. This is a

monthly blog where we bring to you tips and advice for all sorts of subjects and bring you news about topics that are happening right now in the world. This month's edition

includes tips for bringing the outdoors indoors, what to do indoors in a lockdown and much more. We hope these articles are useful and that everyone enjoys reading them. Let us all wish for this crisis to get better so we can



all see each other in person. Bye and we'll see you all in next month's edition.

# What to do indoors during lockdown by Joreen

During the lockdown when there is a pandemic, some shops and schools are closed for the safety of everyone. Some of the children's parents can't go to work because the jobs they have are closed down and the school where the children go is closed as well. So, I planned to do some activities during the pandemic. Here are some examples of what to do at home during lockdown:

Play a boardgame with your family, create a game that you only have in your house, try to bake or cook something (if you are ages of 10 or above 10 but if not, you need adult supervision), do some art, chat with your friends on the phone or tablet but mostly spend time with your family, help your parents, do online school and watch a movie with family. There is also a free online course that helps you to make your own website, you can make your own food and sell it online or post it in your website (you have to be 16 or older to have your own account) and if you have an instrument you don't know how to play look up an app for online learning of how to play an instrument.

You see there are lots of things to do at home during the pandemic and it helps everyone to be safe. Be responsible and let's do our part for the safety of everyone until the pandemic is over for good.

Thanks for reading the information and let's hope everything goes back to normal soon.

### **Lockdown Gaming**

By. Donal & Ahyan

Hello. My name is Donal. And I will be talking about the gaming rates during lockdown. As you all might know, Coronavirus, or as we call it, Covid-19, is right now increasing. During lockdown which means, staying at home and not going outside, has a bad result for kids, and even grown-ups. And, we call that 'Boredom.'

'I'm bored,' 'we're bored,' and 'I'm dying of boredom.' These chants are some of the many things people would be saying during lockdown. But there is more than one way to stop this boredom and one of them, which I will be writing about today, is *Gaming*.

**Gaming.** Many people adore gaming. Especially during this pandemic.

It is said that Sony, the maker of PlayStation, has started to struggle to deliver the many PlayStations that are on demand during this pandemic, according to *The Economist*.

**Hi this is Ahyan**. Today I will be talking about ps4 and Nintendo switch games so here are some games that are both suitable for ps4 and Nintendo.

Rocket league is one nice game. It is about football but with cars. It is age 7 plus, but you can enjoy with your family. You can also play with friends just by adding their gamer tag. Here is one example: lucifiergamer28 wanted to add his friend kdudenoir23, he would go up to add friends in the options menu and click add friends and search kdudenoir23.

#### **Back to Donal.**

Well just as Ahyan said, Nintendo and Ps4 are good consoles, but also who could forget about Xbox?!

Xbox, made by Microsoft, is also known as one of the top three Gaming consoles in the world. In Ireland, to get games, people would depend on games stores to get disks or codes to play their games. I normally use a shop that you might know, called GameStop.

Lots of people have considered a well trusted Games shop that not only sells games, but also has games consoles in store.

In most game consoles, there is a game called FIFA which is a football game that most people prefer to play. In the game, you can make your own team using and buying your favourite footballers. Sometimes FIFA has pictures of different footballers in a designed jersey, and GameStop sells those different jerseys, making people think that it is a lucky charm when playing FIFA.

Also, as you gamers might have noticed, have something like a number on the bottom right of the game named **Pegi 3, 7** etc.

Lots of young gamers at the age of around 5 may not know what it is but that is why we are here to explain. Pegi and the number, is the age limit for the game and it has many reasons for why it is an over-age game.

First, many 16-year-old games have a LOT of blood and many bad features. But I am not saying that ALL 16-year-old are bad. Some are educational.

So, before you buy a game, think about what it could do to, like change your personality and then buy a game that is less violent and more for your age.

Thank you.

By. Donal and Ahyan

# SPELL YOUR NAME SPORTS IN QUARANTINE BY ASHISH

A	10 PUSH UPS
В	5 squats
C	hunkers for 30 seconds
D	10 jumping jacks
E	20 high knees
F	20 butt kicks
G	10 Mountain climbers
Н	20 lunges
Ι	30 second plank
J	Run on the spot for 30 seconds
K	jog on the spot for 30 seconds
L	touch your toes 5 times
M	stretch your legs hold for 30 seconds
N	5 squat jumps
O	lie on the ground and touch toes without bending knees
P	5 sit ups
Q	5 Russian twists
R	side plank for 15 seconds
S	5 Burpee
T	run around the house 2 times
U	up and down the stairs 5 times
$\mathbf{V}$	5 jump lunges
$\mathbf{W}$	superman hold for 10 seconds

5 pike push ups

10 side bends

20 bunny hops

 $\mathbf{X}$ 

 $\mathbf{Y}$ 

 $\mathbf{Z}$ 

### **Study Tips and Tricks: Quarantine edition**

As a student, I understand the struggles of studying at home during quarantine. So that is why I put together 3 of the most helpful tips to help students to study at home.

#### Tip number 1: Study Everyday

Studying everyday is a great way to reinforce and revise subjects and topics for an exam instead of cramming. Cramming enables you to take enough information for an exam. But if you study everyday you can review the information everyday and thus be able to take in more knowledge on the subject. But don't go overboard with the studying, it's best to study for less than two hours so you don't get tired. Also remember if studying everyday doesn't work for you, try studying twice or thrice a week instead.



Tip number 2: Plan your study session It helps to have some plans so you can make the most



of your study time.

- → Make to-do lists Making to-do lists helps break down a big task into small manageable tasks. At the start of a study session make a to-do list of all the tasks you need to finish before the end of that session.
- → Make a daily/weekly timetable Making a daily/weekly timetable helps you to keep track of what you need to complete for that day or week. It also helps to keep a calendar of your exams and revolve the study times around them.
- → Set time limits Before you start studying look at your to-do list and set a time limit for each task. If you go over the limit that you

set consider whether the task is the best use of your time to keep going or to continue with something else.

## <u>Tip number 3: Discover your learning</u> style

Most people have a preferred learning style. Get comfortable with your learning style and learn in the way that you're best at.



- → Auditory Learner- If you are an auditory learner, you learn by hearing and listening. You understand and remember things you have heard. Auditory learners like to listen to recordings of flashcards and read stories out loud.
- → Visual Learner- If you are a visual learner, you learn by reading or seeing pictures. You understand and remember things by sight. Visual learners like to write down key information and colour code things.
- → Tactile Learner-If you are a tactile learner, you learn by touching and doing. You understand and remember things through physical movement. Tactile learners shake their foot or tap their pencil when studying and will use a computer to reinforce their sense of touch.

I hope you enjoyed this month's study tips and I can't wait to share more with you next month.

Until then, I have a challenge for everyone, solve this riddle (Imagine you are in a room with no windows or doors. How will you get out?) and I'll give the answer next month. Bye and I'll see you next month.

By Mineva (Ms. Carroll's 6th class)

What it's like on teams. By: Holly

Covid-19 happened in the start of February in 2020. It's been very serious up to now. Many people have covid-19 today, and lots of deaths all over the world have been discovered. So many schools had to shut down so they had to use online classes. Today I'm going to talk about what it's like on Teams video calls.

In my class, Teams video call classes are two hours long,10 am-12 pm. Fifteen minutes before we go to the Teams video call, we can chat and say hello and after class we have fifteen minutes to say goodbye etc.

Sometimes Teams video calls can be very laggy which I don't like, it even sometimes disconnects me from Teams. We do everything like we do everything in school, there is no difference.

After class we do our 'independent work'. Independent work is basically like doing work on your own and on the next day you correct your work.

We also do a game called 'Kahoot!', you may have heard it before but it's just a game. We usually do our Irish game there and it's really fun!

In conclusion, Teams is a great app for video calls but can be laggy and glitchy. I prefer real school than online school.

Thank you for looking at my blog!!!

### Bringing the outdoors in

Hello everyone, my name is Sushane and today I will be telling you how to add some greenery into your home. More specifically, I will be talking about how to make easy hydroponics or something you can use to grow plants in water.

You will need:

Kebab sticks or tooth picks or any sort of string

A bottle; one with a square bottom

Water

I used spring onions but you can also use money plants

But you will have to make the design a bit different which I will show

Scissors

A marker (optional)

And I would need some of your time



Thank you for your time I hope you enjoyed thanks again

Thank you everyone, that was the 6<sup>th</sup> class bloggers teams work put together for you to read.

I thoroughly hope you enjoyed it. Thanks again, bye

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