

# Virtual Enrichment: Places to Virtually 'Visit'

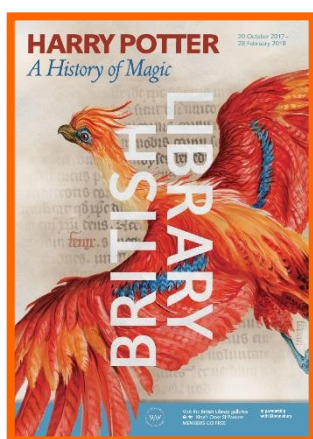
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Traditional school trips aren't possible at the moment, but there are still lots of places to 'virtually visit' .....



## The Great Barrier Reef

With these vibrant and stunning photos you don't have to be a scuba diver - or even know how to swim - to explore and [experience six of the ocean's most incredible living coral reefs](#). Now, anyone can become the next virtual Jacques Cousteau and dive with sea turtles, fish and manta rays. You can use Google Maps to find a sea turtle swimming among a school of fish, follow a manta ray, and experience the reef at sunset. You can also find out much more about this reef via the [World Wonders Project](#), a website that brings modern and ancient world heritage sites online.



## Harry Potter: A History of Magic at the British Library

[This exhibition](#) will appeal to all Potter-fans. Although you can't actually visit the exhibition, you can step into the world-famous library leaving a virtual footprint instead. Hosted on Google Arts and Culture, virtual visitors can look around the exhibition looking at the work of JK Rowling and its links to magic. Included in the exhibition is a celestial globe, Leonardo Da Vinci's notebook, and the oldest atlas of the night sky, as well as a guide to "muggle magic" and a look at the artistry behind the illustrations of the novels.



## Longleat Safari Park

The [virtual tour](#) follows the drive-through route through the Safari Park. Visitors will begin their virtual journey among the giraffe and zebra of the East Africa Reserve before heading into the notorious Monkey Drive Through. The 30-minute tour also features close encounters with Longleat's big cats, including their famous lions, as well as tigers, cheetahs and wolves. Other featured species include rhinos, camels, ostriches, flamingos, vultures, and antelope. You can also make use of additional content available on the Longleat app including quizzes and factsheets which accompany the tour.



## International Space Station

Outer space is not your usual destination for a school trip – for starters you would struggle to get a coach company willing to supply spacesuits and oxygen. However, this is one that makes perfect sense when you can visit virtually. You can begin by watching the [videos about the space station](#), and then make use of [Google Street View](#) where you can explore the International Space Station.

# Mental Health & Wellbeing

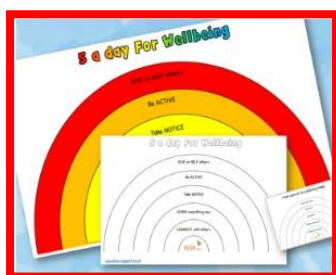
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'Elsa Support' has a part of its website fully dedicated to providing Coronavirus support during these unprecedented times. There are lots of free resources for teaching staff and for parents and carers to help children cope with the current viral outbreak. Here are just a few of the available resources:



## May Wellbeing Calendar

30 different, daily prompts to do something each day throughout May. This will help to keep everyone busy and also help support wellbeing.



## Wellbeing Rainbow

The '5 a day for wellbeing rainbow' aims to help remind us that each day we should try to Connect with others; Learn something new; Take notice; Be active and Give or Help others



## Positive Paper Chains

This activity encourages discussion about a positive quote and what it means and then spend some time colouring it in carefully. When finished they can be joined to make a paper chain.



There are lots more free resources to support mental health and wellbeing to discover on the Elsa Support Website ([LINK](#)). Full credit, for all the Elsa resources above, is given to the original author ©ELSA Support.

# Home Learning

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## ARE YOU READY FOR A CHALLENGE?

Can you skewer a balloon without popping it? Coat a nail in copper? What happens when you plug a clock into a potato? Dyson engineers, at 'The James Dyson Foundation', have designed a set of 44 challenges specifically for use at home or in the classroom. They encourage inquisitive young minds to get excited about engineering. ([LINK](#) to Challenge Cards)

