

Thumbnail Learning

The Thumbnail Newsletter for Teachers

A helping hand at the touch of a button!



‘Teaching is a vocation that needs a vacation.’ [Mrs Burk’s Backpack.]

I think we can all agree with that! You’ve performed miracles all year in a hundred different ways. Time to rest, be yourself and re-energise, but switching off can be really difficult when you are full tilt most of the year.

Top tip: Embrace your summer.

“It’s a smile, it’s a kiss, it’s a sip of wine... it’s summertime!” – Kenny Chesney

What kind of summer holiday teacher are you?



The backpacker... ‘New Zealand here I come!’



The laze by the pooler.

The exhausted parent... ‘I’m counting the days till my kids go back to school.’



The workaholic... ‘At-last, a chance to catch up on all those jobs.’

The super-planner... ‘I do all my best work in the holidays.’



The worrier... ‘I can’t enjoy the holidays because I’m always thinking about September.’

Whatever your holiday style, don't miss our September Newsletter, which will have:

- Icebreaking activities to use with your tutor group.
- Tips for getting the new term off to a flying start.
- New school? New job? We have some pointers to help you settle in.

Still worried about next term? Try some retail therapy:

Get yourself a **Survival Kit!**

Four items to make life easier

Erasable red pen: your new best friend!

Board markers:

working in someone else's room? How often have the pens been

a) lost b) dried up?

A set of your own is a must-have!

Stickers:

from reception to Y 13 all kids love reward stickers.

This is a basic law of the universe. Use it.

Pack of Sticky Notes:

These versatile little buddies can be the basis of almost any lesson, meeting, or tutorial:

'Write a question...'

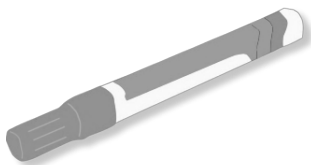
'What topic would you like to discuss?'

'Write an answer...'

'What's the best thing that's happened today?'

'What have you learned today?'

Okay, it's not a new pair of shoes or the latest techno-gadget but you will be so pleased you got it.



Happy Holidays!

Sarah and Roj

Need a great holiday book? Sitting on your backpack in an airport? Lounging by the pool? Trying to break your workaholic habits? Why not try puzzle books, **Beatrix Blackstone** or **The Charm Thief of Tewkesbury**? Challenging and fun.



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Test Your Observation Skills!



Picture Puzzle: Welcome to Tewkesbury's medieval banners! But which of the bracelet charms is NOT represented in the flags you can see?

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