



Learning from home.

On this sheet, you will find a range of ideas and activities that your children could undertake whilst the school is closed. Whilst it cannot be anything like the education that they would receive in school, it will hopefully provide you with some support. Please be aware that as this is home learning, teachers will not be able to support with any tasks that children undertake and complete.

Many of these ideas and activities are web based so please also take a minute to read the e-safety information below:

Whilst your child is at home the internet will be a useful tool to continue your child's education. Please be mindful of the following:

Put yourself in control

Make use of the parental controls on your home broadband and any internet-enabled devices. You can find out how at your broadband provider's website or by visiting internetmatters.org

Search safely

Activate safe search settings on Google and other search engines as well as YouTube. You can find out more at google.co.uk/safetycentre. Use safe search engines such as swiggle.org.uk or kids-search.com. Add KS1 or KS2 to the search criteria to limit searches to sites suitable for primary school children.

Agree boundaries

Be clear what your child can and can't do online - where they can use the internet, how much time they can spend online, the sites they can visit and the type of information they can share.

Explore together

Encourage them to use devices in communal areas so you can see what sites they're visiting and share with them. The best way to find out what your child is doing online is to ask them to tell you about it.

Check if it's suitable

If possible check out the sites before your child uses it.

Other things to think about

Make sure your child knows not to share personal information like their phone number or email address online.

Check attachments and pop ups for viruses before they click or download anything.

We would encourage pupils to undertake a range of different activities where possible. Regular reading, writing and maths is essential. Opportunities to do these are all around us and can be very simple. Reading isn't just limited to books this can include magazines, websites and other online materials, recipes or instructions books for a game etc. Staff in school will have sent ideas that can help in maths and our school calculation policy is available on the school website for anyone that needs any support. The list of websites below also has many brilliant sites that can help to provide some help with maths alongside a range of other ideas for you to access at home.

1. Twinkl has free access for anyone to home learning packs by visiting their website www.twinkl.co.uk and searching for 'school closure'.
2. Twinkl are also offering logs in for parents. You would need to set up an account using an email address and using the following code to set up free access:
CVDTWINKLHELPS
3. Children in years 2-6 have access to Mathletics using their own individual passwords which have been given by staff.
4. TT Rockstars (times tables practise). The website is offering access in the event of a school closure by choosing the Covid-19 Support tab.
5. **Other useful maths sites include:**
www.mathsframe.co.uk
www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button
www.mathsisfun.com
www.whiterosemaths.com – **ONLINE LESSONS FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS**
6. www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/ This is a website with a number of topics and areas of learning that children may find useful
7. www.oxfordowl.co.uk/ Reading and Literacy resources
8. <https://readingeggs.co.uk/> Reading resources – children will have passwords to access this.
9. www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize A range of topics covering all subjects
10. www.natgeokids.com/uk/ An exciting site with interesting facts and games
11. www.classroomsecrets.co.uk/ This website has a range of materials and provides free access via the resources for school closures section.
12. <https://seerih-innovations.org/science4families/>
13. Edheads – Science resources and interesting and amazing experiments. The site is offering free access due to the Covid-19 virus until mid-April for any parents who wish to sign up.
14. www.bbc.co.uk/newsround Daily news channel for children with information, quizzes and games.

15. <http://horrible-histories.co.uk/> Fun and informative ideas, games and facts linked to many History topics.
16. www.mindmate.org.uk An interactive site for pupils and parents linked to keeping yourself in good mental health.
17. **BBC iplayer** – Educational documentaries can be searched for and watched with your children (Please check age ratings) including:

<i>Blue Planet</i> (Wildlife/Science)	<i>Back in Time for Dinner</i> (History)
<i>Seven Worlds, One Planet</i> (Wildlife/Science)	<i>Back in Time for the corner shop</i> (History)
18. Why not try a **Podcast** – There are many online that are designed for children and their parents such as:
 - Brains On!* – Science podcast for kids
 - CBeebies Radio Podcast* – Stories sound and music
 - Fun Kids Science Weekly*
 - Story Pirates* – Fun, adapted stories
19. **Board Games** – Enjoy some time together by playing a board game/card game. There are lots of simple maths opportunities (counting etc.) when playing many games. You could maybe even try to create a game of your own!
20. **Keeping Active!** – As much as possible try to provide opportunities to be active. This may be limited and we would encourage all parents to follow the government issued guidelines as to accessing the outdoors. However, children can keep active by taking part in short bursts of exercise. There are many online routines on YouTube that children can follow in the home environment. We are also aiming to put some short exercise videos of our own on to the school website so keep checking on a regular basis.

Further information about how we can support you and your children at home over the coming weeks will be sent out as it arrives in school. We will keep you updated via email, dojo and the school website on a regular basis.