

Dear Parents/Carers,

With all the concerns over the coronavirus outbreak and how this might impact schools and your child's learning, we wanted to offer you some ideas to help you continue their education during any potential school closures. We also appreciate that keeping children engaged in their learning whilst at home is not going to be easy and so we have prepared perfectly matched content for your child that can be completed both independently or with adult support.

During this time, please look at our school website and class blogs. We have tried to find resources and support material online that you would be able to use to support your child, should it be needed.

Here are some sites that may be of use:

Classroom secrets-

There are lots of ideas and interactive activities for children to complete, the resources are split into year groups too. You can download ideas and activities to do with your child. It may be worth looking at the younger year group (especially for Yr 2) as this is challenging work and much more formal than we would use in school. <https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/free-home-learning-packs/>

For independent learning and games, we recommend using Classroom Secrets Kids (kids.classroomsecrets.co.uk/). Packed with fun and engaging EYFS content, this online learning platform will support you to keep your child learning independently. For more practical resources and worksheets, we have included a learning pack perfectly matched to the EYFS content. With a range of resources, these packs will help continue the learning inside your home. Some of these ideas are really good for other year groups too. For further learning and engaging content, there is a selection of teaching videos on Classroom Secrets Kids designed to help you as a parent and your child. Visit the website at kids.classroomsecrets.co.uk.

For more information and support on home learning, join the Facebook group 'Coronavirus Home Learning Support for Teachers and Parents' for great advice and tips.

Wonderopolis

There is also a resource from America and is an enquiry based question style website. There is a strong link with the natural geographic, the world and the environment. We would say that it is more suited for older children and so probably not as useful for our younger children, despite it being advertised as suitable for all children. *"Camp Wonderopolis® is the free online summer-learning destination that's full of fun, interactive STEM and literacy-building topics boosted by Maker experiments!"* <http://www.wonderopolis.org/>

BBC Bitesize- This bbc website is really useful for KS1 Learning, it has lots of different subject areas and is easy to use
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

Twinkl- To support you during this period, Twinkl is offering every teacher in England access to all Twinkl resources with a One Month Ultimate Membership, totally free of charge. They are also extending this to every parent and carer in your school so your pupils can still have access to high-quality learning during any periods of disruption.

Setting this up is really easy to do - go to www.twinkl.co.uk/offer and enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS

Ideas to support your EYFS child:	Ideas to support your Year 1 child:	Ideas to support your Year 2 child:
<p>Read a story and talk about the characters</p> <p>Practise phonics as often as you can</p> <p>Practise counting</p> <p>Talking about shapes and finding some in the home</p> <p>Letter and number formation</p> <p>Interact and play games</p>	<p>Find objects around your home and use your phonics to label them.</p> <p>Read a book everyday and write a sentence about what happened in the story, remembering to include capital letter and full stops.</p> <p>Collect 10 pairs of socks, use them to practise counting in 2s</p> <p>Get a pile of your favourite toys or Lego, group them into tens and ones and count how many you have</p> <p>Get some seeds and plant them, record how high your plant grows each day.</p>	<p>Read everyday</p> <p>Write book reviews for the books you finish</p> <p>Keep a diary</p> <p>Practise spellings from the Y1/2 words list and put them into sentences</p> <p>Practise 2, 5 and 10 times tables</p> <p>Complete calculations using all four operations (+, -, x and ÷)</p> <p>Measure objects around your home and record the lengths</p> <p>Go on a 3D shape hunt, write the names of all the shapes you find, then make a table and record the number of faces, edges and vertices for each object.</p> <p>Collect some coins from your money box, list the coins you have and find the total amount. Try to make the same amount using different coins.</p>