

Parent 'How to Help Your Child At Home' Guidance – March 2020

This document is designed to support you and your child in the event of needing to self-isolate or any closure of the schools. This is intended to be supplementary to any work provided on the class pages by your child's class teacher. There may be some cross-over depending on work set by individual class teachers.

Phonics

Company	Link	Description	Available on?	Cost	Relevant Year Groups
Teach Your Monster to Read	https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/	Phonics Teach Your Monster to Read is an award-winning series of games that's helped millions of children learn to read. Play for free on our website or download the app. There are three Teach Your Monster to Read games to play, covering 2 years of the reading journey.	Accessed via internet browser iOS & Android App available	Provided FOC during school closure	YR-Y2
Phonics Play	https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.html	The free area of the PhonicsPlay website is filled with free interactive games, phonics planning, assessment ideas and printable resources. There are many ideas to support teachers in delivering daily phonics sessions and lots of advice to support parents in helping their children learn to read.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	YR-Y3 Any child that would benefit phonics practice.
Phonics Play Comics	https://www.phonicsplaycomics.co.uk/	PhonicsPlay comics are decodable comics featuring familiar characters from PhonicsPlay along with some new friends. They are short, simple, silly comics that can be viewed on screen or printed out. They aim to provide opportunities for children to rehearse the precise knowledge and skills that they learn in school each week.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	YR-Y3 Any child that would benefit phonics practice.

Reading

Company	Link	Description	Available on?	Cost	Relevant Year Groups
Oxford Owl	https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/	Online Books & Guidance Don't miss our free eBooks, created to help children aged 3–11 practice reading at home	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
ReadTheory	https://readtheory.org/	ReadTheory's adaptive approach fosters improvement by automatically meeting learners at their own, individual ability levels. Signup takes seconds and no time is spent vetting assignments. Progress is shown on an intuitive report, replete with actionable, meaningful insights. Our program is completely free.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y2-Y6
AudioBooks	https://www.researchify.co.uk/audiobooks.html	A small collection of children's classics in both PDF & Audiobook Version	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
TopMarks	https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/reading	A selection of reading focused games to choose from.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y2-6
Bamboo Learning	https://bamboolearning.com/resources	Bamboo Learning offers FREE voice-based applications (Alexa skills) that cover a range of academic subjects, including math, ELA/listening comprehension, and social studies. Bamboo Learning Alexa skills focus on fun, home-based, family-friendly learning, and ensure children's engagement utilizing the unique nature of voice technology that promotes active conversational learning.	Available for use on Amazon devices – e.g. Fire Tablet & Alexa controlled devices	Free of Charge	Y2-6

Spelling, Grammar & Writing

Company	Link	Description	Available on?	Cost	Relevant Year Groups
IXL UK	https://uk.ixl.com/ela/	From phonics and reading comprehension to writing strategies and more, IXL helps learners develop the communication skills needed for success in school, university and career.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
Grammar Games Online	https://www.english-online.org.uk/games/gamezone2.htm	A wide range of games linked to different aspects of grammar	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y3-6
BBC Bitesize KS1	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zgkw2hv	A variety of online games & revisional activities for all areas of the KS1 English curriculum	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y1-Y2
BBC Bitesize KS2	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f	A variety of online games & revisional activities for all areas of the KS2 English curriculum	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y3-6
Creative Writing Guides	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpccwmn	8 learner guides and 4 clips on how to succeed at creative writing	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y3-6

Maths

Company	Link	Description	Available on?	Cost	Relevant Year Groups
TT Rockstars	https://play.ttrockstars.com/	Times Tables Rock Stars is a carefully sequenced programme of daily times tables practice. Each week concentrates on a different times table, with a recommended consolidation week for rehearsing the tables that have recently been practised every third week or so.	Accessed via internet browser iOS & Android App available	Paid for by the school	Y2-Y6
CBeebies – Numberblocks	https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks	Sing along and learn all about numbers with the Numberblocks!	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	YR-Y1
BBC Bitesize KS1	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8	A variety of online games & revisional activities for all areas of the KS1 maths curriculum	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	YR-Y2
BBC Bitesize KS2	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z826n3	A variety of online games & revisional activities for all areas of the KS2 maths curriculum	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y3-6
Top Marks	https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games	A wide range of online games for all areas of the maths curriculum	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
Cool Maths	https://www.coolmath4kids.com/math-games	A range of online maths games to rehearse quick calculation facts	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y2-Y6
Bedtime Math	http://bedtimemath.org/fun-math-at-home/	Bedtime Math is a US nonprofit that ignites kids' curiosity and learning by unleashing the fun in math. It offers playful online math problems for parents to do with their kids every day, as well as lively hands-on games. Research has shown that both offerings reduce kids' math anxiety,	Accessed via internet browser Families can also download	Free of Charge	ALL

Wider curriculum

Company	Link	Description	Available on?	Cost	Relevant Year Groups
Wow Science	https://wowscience.co.uk/	Wow Science was created by Primary Science Teaching Trust (PSTT) in collaboration with Learning Science Ltd. The site provides links to the best primary science learning materials on the web, helping children to enjoy science both inside and outside the classroom. All the resources have been approved by the PSTT for quality and suitability, ensuring the content we promote is accurate and useful to learning.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
Science Buddies	https://www.sciencebuddies.org/stem-activities	Science Buddies offers thousands of free resources for learning STEM, including a collection of 160+ fun, hands-on STEM activities and videos. Each of our activities covers a specific STEM concept, can be done in an hour or less, and can usually be done with materials easily found at home. Perfect to keep students engaged during school closures. In addition to activities, Science Buddies also has NGSS aligned lesson plans, STEM career profiles, and over 1,200 STEM project ideas - all for free.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
Primary Homework Help	http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/	Hundreds of pages of easy to read information and facts on many homework topics including Tudors, Victorians, romans, rivers and mountains.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL
BBC Bitesize KS1	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p	Links to videos and activities for all national curriculum activities	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y1-2
BBC Bitesize KS2	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn	Links to videos and activities for all national curriculum activities	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y3-6

DK Find Out!	https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/	Discover fun facts and quizzes, easily laid out for independent research	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	Y2-6
The Kids Should See This	https://thekidshouldseethis.com	The Kids Should See This is an unprecedented collection of 4,300+ kid-friendly videos, curated for teachers and parents who want to share smarter, more meaningful media in the classroom and at home. TKSST champions smart STEAM, history, and culture-focused content by museums, organizations, and creators who celebrate curiosity, collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving, kindness, and other essential themes for all ages.	Accessed via internet browser	Free of Charge	ALL