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# Home Learning Support

Teaching & Learning

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## **Suggested Learning Activities for Remote Learning**

Below is a list of suggested activities for remote learning if you, or your child(ren) are self-isolating while school remains open. This is in no way an exhaustive list of websites but hopefully will provide a starting point.

### **Reading Activities**

Read as much as you can (because reading makes you brainy!)

When you have read a book you can think about these 'Book Talk' questions and record your response if you want to.

### **Book Talk Questions**

- What did you like about the text and why?
- What did you dislike about the text and why?
- What does the story/text remind you of? Explain your thinking...
- Is there anything about the story/text that puzzles you?
- Can you describe any of the characters?

Here is a link to books recommended for each year group - how many can you read?

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/reception> (you can click through and find the list for your child's year group)

### **Oxford Owl for Home**

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Lots of free resources for Primary age children.

### **Sumdog**

<https://pages.sumdog.com/>

Helpful for Maths and spelling activities including online multi-player games.

### **Hit the Button**

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Great for the practise of multiplication and other Maths skill development.

### **ICT Games**

<http://www.ictgames.com/>

ICT Games has a variety of English and Maths games which are good for building fluency in Maths and recalling skills in English. Each game has a learning intention (or skills that playing this game would develop) and also which year group it would be suited to.

### **Pobble 365**

<https://pobble.com/for-parents>

This site has a different picture each day and then a variety of English challenges to go with it. It could be used by children in Year 1 and upwards (especially the sick sentences) but you would have to look through for simpler tasks as some can be quite complex. KS2 children would be able to access most of the 'pobbles' independently.

### **Khan Academy**

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Especially good for maths and computing for all ages but other subjects at Secondary level. Note this uses the U.S. grade system but it's mostly common material.

### **Futurelearn**

<https://www.futurelearn.com/>

Free to access 100s of courses, only pay to upgrade if you need a certificate in your name (own account from age 14+ but younger learners can use a parent account).

### **Blockly**

<https://blockly.games/>

Game based activities to support the learning of computer programming skills - fun and free.

### **Scratch**

<https://scratch.mit.edu/>

Creative computer programming for Year 2 and above.

### **Geography Games**

<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>

A fantastic website to help pupils learn and discover the world around us.

### **National Geographic Kids**

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

Activities and quizzes for younger children.

### **Duolingo**

<https://www.duolingo.com/>

Learn languages for free. Web or app. Year 5 and 6 pupils have been lucky enough to receive French learning from one of the MFL teachers from St Peter's recently – keep the learning going!

### **Blue Peter Badges**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/about-blue-peter-badges>

There are eight different badges to work towards, suitable for 6 to 15 year olds. Once you have achieved a Blue badge you can gain free entry into over 200 UK attractions.

### **Mystery Science**

<https://mysteryscience.com/>

No sign ups or logins required, just great Science learning.

### **Paw Print Badges**

<https://www.pawprintbadges.co.uk/>

Free challenge packs and other downloads. Many activities can be completed indoors. Badges cost but are optional.

**Tinkercad**

<https://www.tinkercad.com/>

Free and easy to use design, electronics and coding activities.

**Prodigy Maths**

<https://www.prodigygame.com/>

A Maths website, it is in U.S. grades, but good for UK Primary age children too.

**CBeebies Radio**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio>

A range of listening activities for younger primary age children.

**Cbeebies Alphablocks**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks>

A great website with videos to support phonic development and letter sounds modelled for parents.

**Cbeebies Numberblocks**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>

Great for early number learning, supporting pupil's knowledge, number sense and beginnings of addition.

**Nature Detectives**

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2020/03/nature-detectives/>

A lot of these suggested activities can be done in a garden, or woodland if you can get to a remote forest location whilst still practising good social distancing!

**Red Ted Art**

<https://www.redtedart.com/>

Easy arts and crafts for little ones and you can sign up to a free crafty newsletter.

**Toy Theater**

<https://toytheater.com/>

Includes an amazing range of educational games, particularly the subitising seeds for Reception and Year 1 aged children.

**The Imagination Tree**

<https://theimaginationtree.com/>

Creative art and craft activities for the very youngest. Have a look at the Kindness Elves!

**Twinkl**

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/>

Twinkl are offering their resources for free in the current climate so it is worth visiting the site and downloading resources for your child. Again, this is broken down into subjects and year groups so you would be able to find relevant activities, worksheets and PowerPoints. There is a direct page for school closures and parent resources.

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**Online Safety**

Children at home are more likely to be spending a great deal more time online. Whilst this provides a wealth of great learning opportunities as listed above please be mindful of keeping your child/children safe online. This will require to be vigilant about your child's use of any device that they may be able to access the internet e.g. phones, tablets and gaming machines.

**We want our children to be safe, confident explorers of the online world.**

Some suggested websites for parents and carers regarding online safety include:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

[https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en\\_us/](https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/)