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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Find below a list of educational websites and apps which might be useful for keeping the children entertained and for some 'home learning'. These cover all subjects, areas and key stages and many can be used by children independently. We have also included some 'PE in the house' links to help try to keep the children fit and for their emotional wellbeing. The websites are in alphabetical order and many of them, the children will be familiar with. We hope you find these links useful, but please remember these are not compulsory. We will be also be providing online resources on a weekly basis from the 20th April; a letter regarding this will be sent out tomorrow.

Thank you and take care,

Alex Steele

Acting Head Teacher

Online Resources and Guidance for all year Groups and Subjects for Online Learning.

ABCdoes
https://abcdoes.com/home-learning/
This collection of activities/ideas is here to help parents and carers find fun things to do at home with younger children.

Activity Village
www.activityvillage.co.uk
This website has thousands of free printable activities available covering a range of subjects. It is particularly useful though for craft/ Art activities.

BBC Alphablocks
https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks
Letters and sounds phonic videos for EYFS (Nursery and Reception classes).

BBC Bitesize
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize
This website has lots of videos, resources, printable activities, fact files and games covering all subjects and topics across all key stages.

BBC Numberblocks
https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks
Mathematics videos for EYFS [Nursery and Reception classes].

BBC Nursery Rhymes
https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/curations/nursery-rhymes
The BBC website has a wealth of resources for younger children. Continuing to sing Nursery rhymes will help future reading.

BBC games, puzzles and crafts:
https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games
https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/puzzles
https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/makes
Other fun activities include games, puzzles and crafts.

BBC Teach and BBC learning
www.bbc.co.uk/teach
https://www.bbc.co.uk/learning
This site has lots of educational videos covering lots of subjects and is ordered according to age and subject. Children can search topics they have covered this year in school to recap prior learning.

Blockly
https://blockly.games
Learn computer programming skills – fun and free.

BrainPOP Science
https://www.brainpop.com/science/seeall/
BrainPOP offers educational animated videos and lessons covering different science topics. Each featured science topic comes with illustrative videos, quizzes, and accompanying activities.

Carol Vorderman's Math School
https://www.themathsfactor.com/
Carol Vorderman's math school website is now free until schools reopen. Suitable for children aged 4-12 years.

Cbeebies Radio
Listening activities for younger children.

Classroom Secrets
www.classroomsecrets.co.uk
Due to the current situation you can currently sign up for free to Classroom Secret Kids which has interactive games covering SPAG, maths, reading and history for Key Stage 2 and also includes phonics for KeyStage 1. They also have accessible a printable home learning pack with answers that

can be printed and advise on some practical activities that can be done in the home. Once signed up you just need to choose the relevant year group for you child and they can get started.

Crash course Kids
https://m.youtube.com/user/crashcoursekids
A range of cool educational videos for a younger audience.

Crest Awards
https://www.crashawards.org
This site has Science awards that you can complete from home.

Crickweb
http://www.crickweb.co.uk
Another good website for a wide range of subjects and general info about education.

David Walliams
www.worldofdavidwalliams.com
The World of David Williams - Each day for the next 4 weeks at 11am David Walliams is releasing a free audio story for children to listen to. This might be a nice thing for them to listen to and relax and take their minds of what is currently going on.

Discovery Kids
https://www.discoverykidsplus.com/
Another excellent source of educational video content to help children learn about different science topics. The site also provides interactive games and links to mobile science apps for kids.

Duolingo
https://www.duolingo.com
This is a website or app which allows you to learn languages for free.

Geography Games
https://world-geography-games.com/world.html
A variety of geography games

Guidance for EYFS
https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/files/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf
Development matters guidance for ages and stages EYFS [Nursery and Reception classes].
https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/files/2015/03/4Children_ParentsGuide_2015_WEB.pdf
What to expect and when?
Guidance for parents re. Learning and development in the EYFS [Nursery and Reception classes].

Handwriting Support
https://www.spreadthehappiness.co.uk/free-tv-happy-links/
Dough disco is an exercise for the fingers and hands. It is good before long writing tasks as a warm up but essential every day exercise to improve fine muscle control.

Hour of Code
https://hourofcode.com/uk/learn
Free games linked to computing scheme of work. All children have done this in school.

ICT Games
https://www.ictgames.com/
A variety of Mathematics and English games from Reception Class up to Y6.

IXL Learning
https://uk.ixl.com/?partner=google&campaign=57501665&adGroup=2207168585&gclid=EAIaIQobCh
MI1ej_5ge16AIVDNLeCh0FwA8-EAEYASAAEgIACvD_BwE
A variety of curriculum games from Reception Class up to Y13.

Khan Academy
www.khanacademy.org
Free personalised learning resources for all ages. This also has some great coding tutorials for ICT.

Learning Resources Science Museum
https://www.learning-resources.sciencemuseum.org.uk
This site brings together free resources from museums, including activities, games and videos to support a range of curriculum topics for use in the classroom, in museum galleries and beyond. KS1 – KS4.

Mystery Science
https://mysteryscience.com
This website has free science lessons.

NASA Kids' Club
https://www.nasa.gov/kidsclub/index.html
NASA Kids' Club provides a plethora of space focused games, videos, images and activities to introduce and help kids learn about the world of space.

National Geographic Kids
https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/
Nat Geographic Kids enables science lovers to explore the world of science through a collection of apps, games, magazines, toys, videos, and many other materials
National Numeracy Website

https://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/
This is a really good website with lots of useful resources. It is designed to raise standards of numeracy across the country for both children and adults and it has specific areas for parents who want to help their children.

Nature Detectives
https://naturedetectives.woodlandtrust.org.uk
A lot of these can be done in the garden, or when lockdown is over in a park or forest.

Nrich

https://nrich.maths.org

A selection of Maths activites, puzzles, games and investigations. The pupil section has some of the most pupil activities and games from the NRICH collection that are ideal for working on at home without a teacher.

Oxford Reading Tree

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/

On this you can access Oxford Reading Tree books and Y1 phonics test. There are also activities for children aged 3-11. As we follow this reading scheme in school, this site maybe helpful to continue your child's reading. They have a free ebook library where your child can download and read a book from their current level.

Paw Print Badges

https://www.pawprintbadges.co.uk

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

Phonics Play

http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk
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This has been made available free of charge. You can access this by logging in using the details on the homepage. It has games and activities useful for recapping and revising prior learning.

Practice SAT papers

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials

A collections of past SAT papers for KS1 and KS2

Primary Stars Education

https://primarystarseducation.co.uk

A website with free PP and various other resources available for Year 1 and Year 2 during the Covid-19 outbreak.

Prodigy Maths

https://www.prodigygame.com

This site is in US grades, however it is still suitable for UK Primary age children.

Science Kids

http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/

As its name indicates, Science for Kids is a website that features a treasure trove of educational science materials. These include online games, experiments, lesson plans, quizzes, science projects, free activities and many more.

Scratch

https://scratch.mit.edu/explore/projects/games

This is a creative computer programming site that we use in school.

Singup
www.singup.org
This site currently has some free home learning activities to enable us to continue the music curriculum. They are split in to age groups either Age 4-7 or age 7-11 and will give you access to singing warm ups and songs that the children can learn at home often linked to another topic to help build knowledge, for example one song is about countries.

Teacherspayteachers
www.teacherspayteachers.com
This is a website full of resources made by teachers for all age groups and subjects. If using this just use the free ones.

Ted Ed
https://ed.ted.com
This site has all sorts of engaging educational videos.

The kids should see this
https://thekidsshouldseethis.com
This has a wide range of cool educational videos

TES
https://www.tes.com
This is useful for all subjects/levels/age groups. There are lots of free resources on here covering all subjects and topics. I would avoid paying for any as there are plenty free.

Times Table Sites
http://www.teachingtables.co.uk
https://ttrockstars.com
Two different websites for learning times tables.
The last one is every pupil's favourite way to learn their tables.

Topmarks / Hit the Button
http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables
This site has some good free grammar, maths and spelling games also . This site has a game called Hit the Button, this can aid the children in their maths skills and covers number bonds, square numbers, doubling, halves and division facts as well as its very popular use for practicing times tables. This is also available as an App to practice their times tables. Times tables are integral to success in Maths so this is a really easy but fun way children can learn them.

Twinkl
http://www.twinkl.co.uk
This fantastic resource is used more for printouts (with answers), but it also has PowerPoints to aid learning. It usually carries a fee, but they are offering a month of free access to parents due to school closures. It is useful for all subjects and primary age groups.

White Rose Hub
https://whiterosemaths.com
This has a lot of free Maths resources that can be printed our used. These follow the mastery approach but is good for challenges.

Woodlands Primary School
http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/
This has fantastic interactive resources across a range of subjects.

Online Free Resources for Physical Wellbeing and Staying Fit.

Cosmic Yoga
https://www.cosmickids.com
Videos on YouTube to encourage children to relax, work their muscles whilst stretching and help with mental welling,

Dance with Oti Mabuse
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLJ0w25Dfhjg6-6IDhK6CukGh5nnMJR2GA
Oti has designed a series of dance lessons to keep children healthy and happy dancing at home. These are Disney themed or follow popular musicals and children's films.

PE with Joe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4wzoy_J3I_c
To help keep children and the whole family active take part in a Joe Wicks workout.

real PE at home
home.jasmineactive.com
This is an online programme which supports families to be active, play and learn together. It includes a programme specifically for children in EYFS, KS1 and KS2. It is great fun as well as benefitting our physical, emotional and mental wellbeing. **Please contact the office and we will email/give you the details and passwords for logging on.**

Apps

Handwriting Apps
Writing Wizard / Cursive Writing / iTrace
These are all handwriting apps that are available on both Google Play for android and the Apple Store. iTrace is chargeable but the rest are free – just be cautious of in app purchases.

ICT –Coding & Algorithm Apps
Daisy the Dinosaur/ A.L.E.X. /Codespark Academy/ MiMO/ ScratchJR Hopscotch/ BeeBot/ Lightbot: Code Hour
These apps are all linked to coding and algorithms in the National Curriculum. They are all available to

download for free on Google Play and Apple Store. They mostly follow a gaming layout with children needing to pass through levels to get further on in the game.

Swift Playgrounds
This app is for coding and gaming to build cities and villages, it uses computing language and could be used as a long term project. It works best on an iPad/tablet.

Maths Apps
Quick Math Jr
This is an app that allows children to learn and practise fundamental skills in maths including games and quizzes. Children can handwrite onto the screen or type their answers. This is particularly suitable for the age range EYFS to Lower KS2.

Winky Think
An app that involves using logic to solve problems and puzzles in Maths. It is particularly good for children but can also be used by grown ups (it would be great as a family activity – from basic maths to expert – requires us you to really think!).

Reading App
Epic!
This is a mobile/tablet based reading app with thousands of children's books (there is also a feature for the story to be read aloud to your child).

Music App
Simply Piano App by Joytunes
This is a free application to download that will teach the children notes and enable them to learn how to read notes through practically practicing hitting the notes on a virtual piano. Having tested the application, although it has in app purchases these should not be required as there is more than enough in the free section to enable your child to build up some musical knowledge.