

27th March 2020

Dear Year 6

We've been at home for a week now – some of you for longer. It's certainly very strange not being at school and it is hard to know how much and what exactly we are meant to be doing... we're all new to this, parents, teachers and kids.

I have two boys at home with me (Y6 and Y4), so my household is probably fairly similar to yours at the moment. Mrs Hamilton also has two children at home, so we know what it's like.

We just want to reassure you and your parents that anything you are doing at home schooling-wise will be being useful. But mainly we want you all to know that you need to look after yourselves mentally and physically. I am trying to see the positives of this situation, and actually there are many. Not least the chance for us adults to teach you children some life skills...cooking, cleaning, gardening, washing. My two boys are in charge of cooking the tea on Mon-Thursday, and I am around to help them, but they have been enjoying following the recipes themselves and weighing out and preparing ingredients. So far we have had Halloumi burgers, Pasta pomodoro, Butternut squash risotto and sausage and bean casserole. What could you cook for your family?

We are putting lessons on the school website, and whilst we expect you be doing **something** using your brain every day to engage your brain, we are not necessarily expecting you do it all. That's up to your parents to decide – not you!

On the following pages there are some web links to home learning resources which might be helpful. Explore them and do the ones that appeal to you.

There are lots of other lovely activities that you can do.

Play a board/ card game (we love exploding kittens!)

Read a book

Make something out of junk

Painting and drawing

Making dens/camps

Write a letter to a friend/ relative (My son got a letter from one of his friends and it was lovely to hear how he was getting on).

Go for walks/ bike rides once a day for your daily exercise.

Study the wildlife in your garden/ outside your window – can you see or hear any birds? Can you find out what they are?

You get the idea...do some of the things that we can't always do in school as we don't have time or resources or there's too many people etc.

Have fun with your families and stay safe.

Mrs Bennett

Various

<https://theweekjunior.co.uk/activity-hub>

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/the-great-indoors/>

<https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/135609/list-of-education-companies-offering-free-subscriptions/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons>

Try a 30 day lego challenge – there's plenty on the internet to print out.

This link has loads of other links on it organised by subject – it is very thorough!

<https://chatterpack.net/blogs/blog/resources-list-for-home-learning>

Science

Stem

https://www.stem.org.uk/home-learning?utm_source=Adestra&utm_medium=email&utm_term=&utm_content=Browse%20here&utm_campaign=Home%20learning%20update%2020.03.2020

Nature

[Learn to love nature](#)

Art and craft

Crafternoons with Katie – all primary year groups

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkoeBRQPB4M3zfk1-gBfMFg>

Craft ideas

https://m.facebook.com/DayOutWithTheKids/photos/a.559968687397206/2913367285390656/?type=3&source=57&refid=52&_tn_ =EHH-R

Learn to draw

<https://www.google.com/search?q=drawing+with+rob+youtube&oq=drawing+with+&aqs=chrome.2.69i57j0l7.206700j0j8&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

Making music

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

Cooking

<https://www.jamieoliver.com/features/category/get-kids-cooking/>

<https://www.instagram.com/theocooks>

English

Short animated films to watch, sometimes there are questions and sometimes writing prompts. Explore the whole Literacy shed site, there's loads on there.

<https://www.literacyshed.com/the-great-animations-shed.html>

Daily English lessons with Pie Corbett – my boys are loving this, you can post your

<https://radioblogging.net/>

English with David Walliams <https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>

Free audio books for kids

<https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Links to different literacy based resources on the Literacy Trust website:

https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwyPbzBRDsARIsAFh15JbeR2aXJ_QNJ1zIXUBv84NvYg7wjeyz5Aykn6tS_UrcInN8UUO1YgaAnqcEALw_wcB

<https://www.planbee.com/free-teaching-resources/free-home-learning-packs>

Maths

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

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>

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Mental Health

Downloadable book for children to discuss their emotions arising from the current situation.

COVIBOOK helps to ease children's anxiety

I have had a look at this today and I think it's a great resource. It says for children under 7 but I think it would be suitable for older children too.

<https://www.mindheart.co/descargables>

Here's a list of what various celebrities are offering kids for free daily:

9.00am - PE with Joe Wicks

https://youtu.be/6v-a_dpwhro

10.00am - Maths with Carol Vorderman

www.themathsfactor.com

11.00am - English with David Walliams

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>

12.00pm - Lunch (cooking with Jamie Oliver)

<https://www.jamieoliver.com/features/category/get-kids-cooking/>

1.00pm - Music with Myleene Klass

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQh2wgJ5tOrixYBn6jFXsXQ>

1.30pm - Dance with Darcey Bussell

<https://twitter.com/diversedancemix/status/1241098264373592065>

2.00pm - History with Dan Snow (free for 30-days)

<https://tv.historyhit.com/signup/package>

4.00pm - Home Economics with Theo Michaels (Mon/Wed/Fri)

<https://www.instagram.com/theocooks>

Useful websites for Remote Learning



These QR codes can be scanned using your mobile phone or tablets so that you can access them with ease. If not, search for the sites online. These are all websites that we recommend as a school that can support your children during this remote learning period.

Mathletics Tasks set by KS2 teachers to recap Maths topics.	Bug Club All children have books set from their class teachers.	TTRockstars Chance for children to practise their times tables.	Purple Mash Online activities for all ages.
			
Interland Online safety games for KS2 children.	Twinkl Resources made free using the code UKTWINKLHELPS	Cbeebies Interactive games for KS1 children.	Bitesize Ideal for KS2 children to learn age-appropriate topics.
			
Spelling Frame Spelling lists and games for each year group.	Top Marks Resources to support all areas of the curriculum.	White Rose Hub Free Maths resources for KS1 and KS2	Phonics Play Phonics resources for KS1.
			