

Dear Parents / Guardians

To support you and your child with their home learning we are providing some guidance on where to find relevant activities to support your child. It would benefit your child if they can complete daily maths and English activities to keep their skills sharp and ready for when school reopens. We have also identified some possible other curriculum activities below.

Clearly this is a constantly evolving situation, and we will endeavor to support where possible, by adding new links and ideas as things become available.

Physical Activity

Joe Wicks is providing a half hour daily workout at 9 am each day, suitable for primary ages.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>

Maths

Can Do

In school we have been following guidance provided by Can Do maths. They are providing home learning packs to practice skills developed during the year. As these arrive to us, we will upload them to the school website.

Can Do are also providing videos on their You Tube channel, offering guidance in how to approach each area of maths:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtamY3wAjj85YpH5Zv4CTBQ/>

Can do Maths website

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

Hamilton Trust

For further daily maths activities, you can make use of the Hamilton Trust Home Learning Packs which are downloadable from their website:

<https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/blog/learning-home-packs/>

Other

All Foxmoor pupils have a login for Times Tables Rockstars/Numbots. The same login details will work for both systems (so children can access both if they wish). TTRS is aimed at upper school pupils, as it allows them to practise their recall of times table facts. Numbots is aimed at lower school pupils, as it allows them to practise their number sense and mental calculation facts. Each system will progressively increase in challenge as the children work their way through the levels, with the incentive of earning credits allowing them to improve their avatar figures.

Times Tables Rockstars

<https://trockstars.com/>

Numbots

<https://play.numbots.com/#/account/search-school>

Hit the button - maths

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

English

Oxford Owl

There are lots of resources but you will need to create a log in but this is free. The Ebooks can either be read, or the site will read these to your child.

- Ebooks
- Maths activities
- Phonics
- Comprehension activities
- Grammar activities

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/please-log-in?open_loginbox=true

Hamilton Trust

For daily English activities, you can make use of the Hamilton Trust Home Learning Packs which are downloadable from their website:

<https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/blog/learning-home-packs/>

Gloucestershire Libraries

Online access to books

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries/join-the-library/>

Spelling Frame

Free online spelling practise and tests. These are organised into year groups.

<https://spellingframe.co.uk/>

Science

Marvin and Milo

<http://www.physics.org/marvinandmilo.asp>

Natural History Museum

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/schools/teaching-resources.html>

Explorify – you will need to create a log in

<https://explorify.wellcome.ac.uk/>

Computing

Scratch

Online coding activities

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

General

Twinkl

Twinkl have announced they are offering a one-month free subscription. You will need to create a login but there is a wide variety of educational resources that are organised in year groups.

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/how-to-utilise-twinkl-during-the-coronavirus-shutdown-a-guide-for-schools>

TTS

Free home activity booklets

https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=wallpost&utm_campaign=TTSparentpackpost&utm_content=nowlive

BBC Bitesize

A range of activities across the primary curriculum

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

BBC Skills Wise

A variety of resources for different curriculum areas

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/primary/zd7p47h>

Classroom Secrets

Classroom Secrets are offering a free subscription. There is a variety of curriculum resources.

<https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/>

Top Marks

A variety of curriculum resources

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

Premier League Primary Stars

<https://plprimarystars.com/>

Further ideas

- Provide your child with regular opportunities to read aloud to an adult and share stories
- Encourage your child to cook with you and in particular follow recipes giving particular attention to weighing and measuring
- Carry out a research project, into an area of interest (this could be historical, scientific, geographical, etc.)
- Write a diary
- Notice the outdoor changes during Spring
- Ask your child to practise colouring, remembering to hold their pencil in a tripod grip (the children should know 'birdy beak' or 'pinchy crab' as their reminder phrase)
- Play traditional board games, such as snakes and ladders, Monopoly, scrabble, etc.
- Play card games
- Ask your child to make up a story and write it down if they can. Act out a traditional fairy tale, or learn to recite a nursery rhyme.