



Dear parents/carers,

These are strange times and I'm sure the thought of teaching children from home is slightly overwhelming for some people!

Here are some ideas and links that might be helpful to you. Take care of yourselves and your families!

Miss Nossa and all the Year 3 and 4 staff.

Link to the home learning pack that you can use to support your child. It has been set up by the TTS by teachers to help support learning at home. The link takes you to resources for all age groups from early Year to KS2. –

<https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html>

Websites that we use at school to keep children active as well as learn are:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4> This website allows children to move and learn their times tables. Supermovers practise many other skills as well.

<https://family.gonoodle.com/> - Gonoodle encourages children to be active in a fun and enjoyable way.

Some more apps that maybe beneficial to families.

School subscription services that are providing guidance and resources to support with school closures



twinkl - Subscription service used by schools is offering a free premium service for educators, parents and children to use whilst schools are closed—enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS
Worksheets, PowerPoints and interactive games to support all areas of learning.
www.twinkl.co.uk/



Classroom Secrets - Maths and reading home learning packages for schools to use due to school closures. Free access to child version of site.
<https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/home-online-learning/>



White Rose Maths - Maths home learning packages for schools to use due to school closures.
www.whiterosemaths.com/resources/schemes-of-learning/primary-sols/



Master the Curriculum - Maths subscription service has made resources free for educators and parents.
www.masterthecurriculum.co.uk/



Primary Stars - Maths home learning packages for schools to use due to school closures (KS1).
<https://primarystarseducation.co.uk/covid-19-year-1/>




Mrs Mactivity - Provide your email to be sent free activities and resources to support with home learning.
www.mrsactivity.co.uk/free-resources-2/

Thank you...




Free Websites and Apps to support with...


Mindfulness and Keeping Active




Smiling Mind
Short audio sessions to help with mindfulness.
<https://app.smilingmind.com.au/>




Cosmic Yoga - YouTube
Yoga videos designed for kids aged 3+
www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga




BBC Supermovers
Interactive videos to support with KS1 and KS1 Maths, Literacy and PSHE and PE learning. Great for times tables—as well as videos that are 'just for fun'.
www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers



Go Noodle—YouTube (More videos on their own website)
Hundreds of 'brainercise', dancing, strength and mindfulness videos—as well as videos that are 'just for fun'.
www.youtube.com/user/GoNoodleGames/featured



Premier League Stars
Videos and activities to support with Maths, Literacy, PSHE and PE.
www.plprimarystars.com



Newsround
Keeping children up to date with the world around them—creating opportunities to talk about the news with children.
www.bbc.co.uk/newsround

We love!

Free Websites and Apps to support with... Phonics and Early Reading



Phonics Play
www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeindex.htm



Phonics Bloom
www.phonicsbloom.com/



Letters and Sounds
www.letters-and-sounds.com/



Cheebies—Alphablocks
www.bbc.co.uk/cheebies/shows/alphablocks

Highly recommended!



Teach Your Monster to Read (Website is free. Paid App)
www.teachyoumonsterstoread.com/



Oxford Owl
www.oxfordowl.co.uk/



Teach Handwriting—Cursive Practise
www.teachhandwriting.co.uk/index.html



Vooks—Storybooks Brought to Life
www.vooks.com/



Scholastic—Classroom Magazines
www.classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html



Spelling Shed (Paid App or Free with School Subscription)
www.spellingshed.com/en-gb

Free Websites and Apps to support with... Maths and Science



TopMarks
www.topmarks.co.uk/

← A great bank of interactive games!



Dragon Box (Paid App)
www.dragonbox.com



Bee Bot App for Computing (Free App)
<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/bee-bot/id500131639>



Times Table Rockstars (Paid App or Free with School Subscription)
<https://trockstars.com/>



Cheebies - Numberblocks
www.bbc.co.uk/cheebies/shows/numberblocks



Explorify for Science
www.explorify.welcome.ac.uk/



ICT Games—For Literacy and Maths
www.ictgames.co.uk/



Prodigy Maths (Free App)
www.prodigygame.com/

Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
accidentally	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actual	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
actually	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
address	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	increase	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	important	often	quarter	although
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	thought
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	through
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	various
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	weight
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	woman
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	women
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	
calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight	

These are the statutory spellings for Year 3 and 4. The children have been learning these at school through different games. For example, hangman and challenges to see how many times can they write the same word in one minute?

Another way of learning these words or any other words they need to practice, which is very popular with Year 3, is by rolling a dice. When practising the spellings, we choose around five per session.

1 spot on the dice and children write the chosen word backwards.

2 spots on the dice and children write the word in shaky handwriting. (Or with their less dominate hand)

3 spots on the dice and the children write the word in bubble writing.

4 spots on the dice and the children write the word out like a pyramid. If the word was busy, they start with the 'b' on the top, then on another line 'bu', on another line 'bus' and on the final line 'busy'. If the word is longer, the pyramid becomes larger!

5 spots on the dice and the children write the word in their favourite colour.

6 spots on the dice and the children write the word out 6 times! This is not their favourite!

<https://www.google.com/search?q=roll+a+dice&oq=roll+a+dice&aqs=chrome.69i59j0l6j69i60.3177j0j9&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8> This link will take you to an interactive dice if you have none at home but there are many online.

Try to encourage children to be creative with artwork, play a board game which is great for turn taking or let the children help you prepare a meal together.

Thank you and keep safe.