

June 1st Onwards

Hi everyone,

If you have opted to keep your child at home after the re-opening of school, we will no longer be able to provide you with home-learning tasks whilst maintaining our full-time teaching schedules.

With the wealth of resources online, I have no doubt that you will find ample things to keep your children entertained and continuing their learning.

Below are some really useful links and we encourage you to look through the other resources in Teams that we have put on in the past.

- <https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html> (Has a free KS1 home learning activity booklet)
- <https://hamilton-trust.eu.aldryn.io/blog/learning-home-packs/> (Has free weekly Year 1 work on it which is great quality)
- <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-1/> (Has maths lessons on)
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p> (Has free daily lessons for a range of subjects including English, Maths, History, Geography, Art and Design, Science, PSHCE, Music, Computing and Modern Foreign Languages)
- <https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/year-1> (Has free daily lessons linking lots to the topics we have covered this year)

Ideas when approaching learning

Developing Literacy skills (reading and writing)

- Follow your children's interests and pick stories or topic that will hook them. Start with a book or video clip so they are familiar with the story.
- Ask comprehension questions throughout to establish understanding.
- Pick out some key words – discuss what they mean or maybe practice writing/reading them.
- Draw a story map to check they understand the sequence of events in the story.
- Act it out using role play.
- Opportunities for writing
 - Write the names of the characters and draw them
 - Retell the story
- Use your own imagination – can you change the ending? Create your own character? Change the setting and design your own?
- Other opportunities for writing:
 - Write a postcard/letter to a friend/family member
 - Create a recipe
 - Write facts or create fact file about a topic of interest

Consolidating Phonic Knowledge

- Follow the phase 2,3, 4 and 5 word mat depending on which sounds your children need to learn. Recap these in the order presented on the word mats. Follow the formula:
- Familiarise yourself with the sound
- Write the sound (in the air, in sand, make it out of materials, write it in pencil)
- Read the sound (what different words have this sound in?)
- Practice reading and writing simple words with these sounds it.
- I recommend googling the sound and you will find a wealth of great YouTube videos to teach the children. Simply type in “phonics **sn**” or whatever sound you are teaching.