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Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your support and hard work with the children over the last few weeks – it has been lovely to see all the photos of their work and achievements across a range of different subjects. We provided a list of potentially helpful websites just before Easter but thought this condensed version might be useful. It shows some of the key websites we are using for the core subjects of English and Maths but also some recommendations across some of the foundation subjects as well. We hope you find it useful.

General websites which may be of use:

- **BBC Bitesize daily – lots of lessons across all subjects**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>
- **BBC programmes** - (Video, audio and downloads for Early Years, KS1 & KS2 covering music, dance, history, collective worship, English and maths)
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p007g5y4>
- **CBeebies** – educational games, programmes and quizzes
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies>
- **Curriculum Visions – access to many free online books and other resources**
<https://www.curriculumvisions.com/index.html>
You may need to enter the following username and password for some of the editions: rockwell.green/0001 and then password: jungle
- **Topmarks** - A free website where you can browse by subject/ category and age range <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
- **Twinkl – access to free resources**
www.twinkl.co.uk/offer
- <https://chatterpack.net/blogs/blog/resources-list-for-home-learning> (Particularly good section for SEND children)

- <https://www.brainpop.com/>
- <https://learnathome.withyoutube.com/>

English Resources

Phonics

Main recommendation:

- <https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Free to use with username: march20 and password : home



Other recommendations:

- <https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>

The website version is totally free to use on a computer, or the app is only £0.99 at the moment, usually £4.99



- <https://readingeggs.co.uk/>

A free 30 day trial for the app and the website at the moment, but is quite pricey after that, definitely worth taking advantage of the trial, though as it is a very comprehensive resource.



- App only, hairy letters and hairy phonics are free, each of the levels after that – hairy phonics 2, 3, and hairy words 1 and 2 are £2.99 per app.



Spelling

Main recommendation:

- <https://play.edshed.com/> Log in with the username and password given to you by your class teacher to access for free.



- <https://www.sirlinkalot.org/>

Register with an email address to gain a free access code to the website or the app.

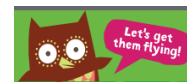


- <https://www.easyspellingaid.com/> (App useful for dyslexic children)

Reading

Main recommendations:

- A full range of online books, free after registering at: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>



- A range of free, online books that can be searched by AR level <https://readon.myon.co.uk/library/browse.html>



- **Accelerated Reader** - <https://ukhosted105.renlearn.co.uk/6703950/>
Individual log-in details to quiz as normal.

- **First News – a weekly newspaper for 7-11 year olds** <https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/free-downloadable-issue/>

- **Amazon - free online audio books** <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

- **David Walliams**
<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/>

Maths resources

- **Mymaths**
 1. Go to <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>
 2. Enter your username and password in the boxes on the screen.
- **TT Rockstars**
<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school>
Enter your username and password in the boxes on the screen.
- **White Rose Maths** materials – really useful videos and resources
<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>
- **Hit The Button** – part of the Topmarks website - good for times tables recall and other core skills such as doubling and halving
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- **Carol Vorderman's website** - has lots of resources and games and also a free times-table checker – great for year 4 who need to know all of their times-tables by the end of the year
<https://www.themathsfactor.com/>
- **Alphablocks and Numberblocks**
Educational videos, games and resources online to help with learning numbers and letters
www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks
www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks



Science Resources

In addition to the general websites section above:

- **STEM** – lots of videos and resources
<https://www.stem.org.uk/primary-science>
- **Explorify** – good for odd one out and discussion points
<https://explorify.wellcome.ac.uk/blog/explorify-during-school-closures>
- **Science Kids** – lots of facts and experiments to try
<https://www.sciencekids.co.nz/>
- **BBC science for KS1 and 2**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks1-science/zhsr2sg> and
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks2-science/zf3kt39>
- **Mystery Science** – has some useful science experiments to try
<https://mysteryscience.com/school-closure-planning>

Computing Resources

- **KS1/2** Great all round games, animation, graphs and data handling. Free on desktop or laptops. You need to create a login for use on a tablet.
<https://www.abcya.com/>
- **Hour of code** - Hour of code is a website specifically aimed at improving coding. A huge range of templates that guide you step by step through creating your own codes.
<https://hourofcode.com/uk/learn>
- **KS2 Scratch** - good for coding with handy tutorials to help develop your skills further
<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/editor/?tutorial=getStarted>
- **BBC Bitesize KS1**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zvnrq6f>
- **BBC Bitesize KS2**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zyhbwmn>

History Resources

In addition to the BBC Bitesize and programmes and Curriculum Vision links above:

- **National Geographic Kids** - activities and quizzes for younger children
<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/teacher-category/history/>
- **History for Kids** – a free history network covering history across the world
<https://www.historyforkids.net/>
- <http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/history/index.html>

Geography Resources

- **Geography Games**
<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>
- **National Geographic Kids** - activities and quizzes for younger children
<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>.
- **Virtual field trips**
<https://theeducatorsspinonit.com/virtual-field-trips-for-kids/> /
- **Google Earth** – a great way to see the world and lots of resources too
https://www.google.co.uk/intl/en_uk/earth/

PE resources

- Mr Parson's YouTube Channel
<https://www.youtube.com/user/mattiparsons>
- REAL PE
Website: home.jasmineactive.com
Parent email: parent@rockwellgr-1.com
Password: rockwellgr
- Jo Wicks
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ>

Music resources

- **Charanga Yumu**
 1. Go to <https://www.SomersetOnlineMusic.co.uk/yumu>
 2. Enter your username and password in the boxes on the screen.
 3. Click on the Log In button.
- **Ten pieces**
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces/get-creative-with-classical-music-at-home/z6tqqp3>

Previous Composers of the Month

November – Edvard Grieg
December – John Williams
January – Gustav Holst
February – Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
March – Florence Price
April – Ravi Shankar

- **Out of the Ark**
<https://www.outoftheark.co.uk/ootam-at-home/>
- **Sing up**
<https://www.singup.org/singupathome>

Art Resources

- <https://www.tate.org.uk/kids>
- <http://bomomo.com/>
- <http://aminahsworld.org/create/ArtBuilder.html>
- https://homeschoolhideout.com/art-lessons-on-youtube/?fbclid=IwAR0z01xvTohJbQ-8Xb_I5YQJE1jRXfzWewD1X2sF7p8bLynIN5EDtQZ9jSY

French Resources

- <https://www.french-games.net/>
- <https://www.digitaldialects.com/French.htm>
- <https://primarygamesarena.com/Subjects/French>

Outside learning

- **Scouts Association** – <https://www.scouts.org.uk/the-great-indoors/>
- **Nature Detectives** <https://naturedetectives.woodlandtrust.org.uk/naturedetectives/>
A lot of these can be done in a garden, or if you can get to a remote forest location!
- **Childhood101** – lots of sensory activities to engage younger children
<https://childhood101.com/>



Sensory Activities for Children (all to be completed with adult supervision)

- Make homemade play dough and use it to make models of characters from favourite books and to form key spellings
- Cooking – focus on language of mixing/melting/stirring etc. Talk about hygiene and safety too. Start to learn how to weigh and measure.
- Playing in sand/rice
- Water play (a sink and some plastic toys/bottle is all you need!)
- Blowing bubbles
- Painting – with fingers is best
- Potato prints
- Junk modelling
- Walk like a bear, penguin, crab, snake.....
- Homemade gloop
- Salt dough decorations
- Gardening – grow some beans! Cress in egg shells
- Hoovering (yes really!)
- Hand massage with baby lotion/oil

101 WAYS TO PLAY OUTDOORS

1. Play leapfrog
2. Jump rope
3. Climb a tree
4. Build a fort
5. Play hide and seek
6. Kick a ball
7. Make a rainbow with the hose
8. Pull weeds
9. Ride a bike or scooter or horse
10. Create a nature collage
11. Build a sand castle
12. Head out on a treasure hunt
13. Roll down a hill
14. Make a bug hotel
15. Balance along a wall
16. Throw a frisbee
17. Balance a bean bag on your head
18. Have an egg and spoon race
19. Hug a tree
20. Create patterns in damp sand
21. Make story stones
22. Paint a fence with water
23. Make texture rubbings with crayons
24. Swing your hips in a hula hoop
25. Make a rain gauge
26. Play tag
27. Draw something you can see
28. Jump in a puddle
29. Play hopscotch
30. Draw on the trampoline (or the footpath) with chalk
31. Read a book
32. Catch raindrops on your tongue
33. Make a set of stilts from tin cans
34. Have a game of marbles
35. Or elastics
36. Enjoy breakfast outside
37. Rake leaves
38. Set up a worm farm
39. Decorate mud pies
40. Run under the sprinkler
41. Paint the outside of a window
42. Make a daisy chain
43. Start a nature journal
44. Lie in a hammock
45. Toast marshmallows
46. Find 10 things to float in a tub of water
47. Write in the sand with a stick
48. Press flowers
49. Make a pinwheel
50. Make a stick sculpture
51. Make a pet rock
52. Try leaf printing
53. Draw around a shadow on the ground
54. Plant vegetables and herbs
55. Grow a bean or sunflower teepee
56. Take photos of what you see
57. Have a 3 legged race
58. Or a wheelbarrow race
59. Gaze at the stars
60. Set up a lemonade stand
61. Paint with feathers
62. Decorate a tree
63. Create a home for a fairy (or an elf)
64. Make a tin can telephone
65. Enjoy a teddy bears picnic
66. Make a drip castle with wet sand
67. Write a letter on a leaf
68. Fly a kite
69. Make up a new game
70. Put on a show
71. Grab a magnifying glass go bug hunting
72. Try a somersault or a handstand or a cartwheel
73. Watch a sunset
74. Spin and get dizzy
75. Start a collection
76. Float a paper boat
77. Make a cave for a dinosaur
78. Wash the dog
79. Wash the car
80. Create a small world for your favourite figurines
81. Make a sundial
82. Host a paper plane flying contest
83. Blow bubbles
84. Dance and sing
85. Make your name from sticks
86. Make a road for toy cars
87. Play torch tag
88. Build a compost bin
89. Throw water balloons
90. Make object impressions in air dry clay
91. Put on a cape and fly
92. Grow a grass head
93. Make a bird bath
94. And a bird feeder
95. Make petal perfume
96. Dig for treasure
97. Make a leaf crown
98. Hang laundry
99. Draw a map of your space
100. Set up a snail race
101. Lie back on the grass and look for shapes in the clouds