

2nd April 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the sun sets on this second week of distance learning, the tenacious positivity being displayed by all of our children, parents and carers remains a constant source of comfort to all within our community. We would like to thank all of our families for stepping up to the challenge of home learning as it is certainly no easy or straightforward task. You are all doing a tremendous job and it has been great to have heard the many creative approaches to learning that many parents are implementing via emails and Twitter, as we adapt further to our new routines.

With this in mind and because of all the hard work you have been doing, we would like to 'relax' some of the formalities with the setting of work over the Easter holiday to enable the children and yourselves to have a break from learning in an academic sense. Staff will be continuing to provide provision and support for the children of our key workers and vulnerable pupils in school over the Easter period, so this 'break' will also allow them to mentally recuperate, even though they will be working in the physical sense. We anticipate that schools will remain closed so staff will resume activity via the daily setting of work and providing feedback via class emails from Monday 20th April 2020 onwards.

However, we also appreciate that in these difficult times, especially as the country remains on lockdown for at least another week, you may well want to retain a sense of structure to your days. In consideration of this, we have collated some resources and prepared some ideas for activities that you may wish to undertake to help alleviate any boredom, whilst at the same time not asking for you to do anything too burdensome. We hope that you find these useful but please don't feel under any obligation to complete. We would encourage lots of reading though (and have provided you with some suggested reading lists), spend some time in the sunshine (not forgetting government advice with social distancing) and keep connected with friends and family. Please feel free to share those significant moments with class teachers who would love to see and hear what you've been up to when they open their emails again on 20th April.

Finally, we would like to thank those families who are frontline staff conducting important roles in order to keep our country running and keep our country's citizens safe. Like us in school, we know they feel some trepidation in continuing to work with other people who are not isolating and cannot undertake the Prime Minister's directive to stay at home and indeed, caring for some of our most vulnerable. We would like to send you our sincerest thanks and appreciation for all that you are doing.

We will be in touch again after the Easter holiday but in the meantime, relax, rest and most importantly, stay safe! Have a good Easter and see you all soon!

Kind regards,



Mr D Adams
Head Teacher



EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PACK

Twinkl



At Twinkl, our mission is to help those who teach and we are therefore taking steps to support continued learning at home, by offering the teachers and parents of children in schools which are closed, or facing closure, free access to all Twinkl resources for a period of one month in the first instance. We are committed to continuing to offer this help in the event of longer term closures.

You may already have access to this but in case you haven't, follow these simple steps:

Step 1: Go to www.twinkl.co.uk/offer

Step 2: Create a Free Account and Enter the code CVDTWINKLHELPS

Twinkl have really helpful guides, designed for parents, for different areas of the curriculum. Twinkl's **Parents' Hub** contains hundreds of educational activities designed for use at home. Twinkl have also put together Home Learning Packs from Year 1 to Year 6 -these can be accessed via **Twinkl Home Learning Packs**.

School Reading List



School Reading List is a great resource for recommended reading books for children aged 3-11. Click the link to access the reading lists for each year group:

Books for EYFS and Reception

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks1-school-pupils/100-best-picture-books-to-read-before-you-are-5-years-old/>

Books for Year 1

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks1-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-year-1-pupils-ks1-age-5-6/>

Books for Year 2

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks1-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-year-2-pupils-ks1-age-6-7/>

Books for Year 3

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/reading-list-for-year-3-pupils-ks2-age-7-8/>

Books for Year 4

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-4-pupils-ks2-age-8-9/>

Books for Year 5

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-5-pupils-ks2-age-9-10/>

Books for Year 6

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-6-pupils-ks2-age-10-11/>



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BBC Bitesize

Bitesize is one of the BBC's most successful online brands and the cornerstone of our formal learning content. The family of sites helps students aged six to 16 years. The sites provide "bitesized" interactive content, video and audio summaries. Bitesize is continually reviewed to keep up with the curriculum.



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

Teacher's Pet



There are packs is a pack for EYFS, KS1, Lower KS2 and Upper KS2. Each pack contains 2 weeks (10 days) worth of activities to support handwriting, spellings, phonics, story writing, maths, wellbeing and much more.

- To make use of the resources offered by teacher's pet follow these simple steps:
- Step 1: Go to <https://tpet.co.uk/latest-resources/>
- Step 2: Create a Free Account and add a FREE 'Starter' membership
- Step 3: Click on the pack that you want to download and then click 'download now'

Activity Village



Activity Village have thousands of colouring pages, kids crafts, educational resources, puzzles, printables of all sorts, worksheets, sudoku for kids and lots more fun activities for kids!

<https://www.activityvillage.co.uk/school-closures>

Online Resources

Please view separate attachment, which you should have already received, that contains an extensive list of links to online websites and resources for every subject!



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Celebrity Classes for Kids in Lockdown!

P.E with Joe Wicks

YOUTUBE/THEBODYCOACH

Music with Myleene Klass

YOUTUBE/MYLEENESMUSICKLASS

Science with Maddie Moate

YOUTUBE.COM/MADDIEMOATE

Dance with Oti Mabuse

YOUTUBE.COM/OTIMABUSEOFFICIAL

Maths with Carol Vorderman

THEMATHSFACTOR.COM

History with Dan Snow

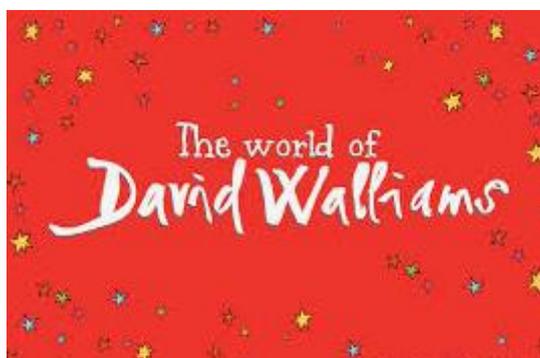
TV.HISTORYHIT.COM

English with David Walliams

WORLDODDAVIDWALLIAMS.COM

Food Tech with Jamie Oliver

CHANNEL4.CON/KEEPCOOKINGANDCARRYON



We hope that you find these useful!