1. Learning resources

These resources have been sent to us by the Local Authority.

[www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/how-to-utilise-twinkl-during-the-coronavirus-shutdown-a-guide-for-schools](http://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/how-to-utilise-twinkl-during-the-coronavirus-shutdown-a-guide-for-schools)

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**Online Safety**

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| **Website** | **Link** |
| Internet Matters advice for parents (0-5). Various topics to discuss with children and keep  children safe online. | <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/0-5/> |
| Internet Matters advice for parents (6-10) – Various topics to discuss with children and keep children safe online. | <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/> |
| THINKUKNOW  resource library- use the search facility to find suitable videos, presentations and resources to support | <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals/resources/> |

**Learning Resources**

## English

Activities you could do with your child:

* Share a story/write a book review/write a character description e.g. for a Top Trumps Card
* Read some opening chapters from the Love Reading 4 Kids website
* Write a story, poem, play
* Make puppets and put on a play
* Play a board game, dig out old favourites and hold championship tournaments! You could even design a new one for a target audience!
* Paint a picture and label it/write about it / create a poem
* Blackout poems – [https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/blog-posts/john- depasquale/blackout-poetry/](https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/blog-posts/john-depasquale/blackout-poetry/)
* Look, say, cover, write, check spellings
* Create a poster about washing hands/hygiene about Coronavirus
* Make an Easter Egg Hunt with clues in your garden
* Make Mother’s Day cards, poems
* Research 'project'/poster on a topic that's been covered in school recently, e.g. the Egyptians, a famous author, an inspirational person etc. This could be in the form of a poster, leaflet, booklet or a PowerPoint presentation etc.
* Have a good declutter/sort-out of your toys! Which toys or books do you no longer use? Write a review of your favourite with a target audience!
* Bake! Bake your favourite recipe and write up the recipe so as to create a class book of favourite recipes when you return to school.
* Junk modelling – why not upcycle some waste materials in order to make something new?

Useful websites are:

* Oxford Owl (KS1) <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>
* Teach your monster to read (Reception- Y2) <https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>
* ICT Runway (Y1) <https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/writingRunway/index.html>
* BBC Bitesize (Reception-Y6) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>
* British Library (Reception -Y6) <https://www.bl.uk/>
* WordMania (An app for KS2)
* Phonics Play (Reception – Year 2) <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>
* ICTGames (Reception - Y6) <http://www.ictgames.com/>
* Lovereading4kids (Reception-Y6) <https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/>
* Change for Life website (Reception-Y6) <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

## Mathematics

Activities you could do with your child

Playing games, especially card games, dice games, dominoes or games involving counting in any form, such as Yahtzee, Monopoly, Ludo, Snakes and Ladders.

In addition, games that support memory, such as memory matching games (<https://www.education.com/worksheets/memory-games/>) or ‘I went to the shops and I bought…’ (<https://www.teachingideas.co.uk/memory-time-fillers/i-went-to-the-shops..._>can help to develop children’s retention skills.

For children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2, practice making and recalling pairs of numbers that make a given total, such as all the pairs of numbers that make 10, 8, 5 etc.

For children in Years 2 to 6, practice times tables.

Year 2: 2, 5 and 10 times tables

Year 3: 3, 4 and 8 times tables

Years 4 to 6: All tables up to 12 × 12

## Useful websites

[www.mathplayground.com](http://www.mathplayground.com/) (Years 2 to 6)

Especially the Number Puzzles and Brain Workouts sections. Alternatively, select from the grades at the top of the page (Grade 1 = Year 2, Grade 2 = Year 3, etc).

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>(EYFS and Year 1) Videos to develop understanding of numbers and how they fit together. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8>(Years 1 and 2)

Short videos and activities covering the maths curriculum for KS1. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z826n39>(Years 3 to 6) Short videos and activities covering the maths curriculum for KS2.

If school is closed but your child does not need to self-isolate you may consider ….

* Take a walk in nature. Make a collection of things you find. Once home, display them and see if you can identify them. Nature Detectives has some great ‘spotter sheets’ which might help.
* Plant some vegetables to grow at home. How can you keep them healthy? Once grown, can you use them in your cooking? Easy ones to grow for younger children are lettuce varieties, cress, radish or basil and mint herbs.
* Have a family sunflower competition. Who can keep their plan healthy and grow the tallest sunflower? Keep a diary of how much it grows each day.

Other activities you could do with your child

* Make a marble run. How long can you keep the marble moving for?
* Take a ‘Science Selfie’. Take a photograph of themselves with something science related in the image. Print off the photograph and complete the caption ‘This is science because…’ Make a collection of ‘Science Selfies’ to show how science is all around us.
* With an adult for guidance, experiment with cooking and food preparation. Make cakes and discuss what they notice at each stage of the recipe. Try this experiment to see how oven temperature affects cake mix: Make some cake mixture and place in 15 separate muffin cases. Put all the muffins in the oven then after every minute remove one from the oven until all 15 have been removed. Which is the best cake? Why? What do you notice? Mix up the cake order and see if you can put them back in the correct order.
* Try making some healthier snacks. Try super-seed energy balls, homemade granola, hummus with veg sticks. Explore online for some great ideas.
* Make a den, inside or out. Explain what materials you used and why your den is good?
* Research a famous scientist. What did they discover? How is their idea used today?

## Websites

The following websites are for parents to access with ideas of activities they can do with their child or activities they can set up to support their child’s continuing learning at home.

[www.playhooray.co.uk/blog/news/play-for-all-ages](http://www.playhooray.co.uk/blog/news/play-for-all-ages) - this site has 10 practical ideas for parents for reception and Year groups 1-6

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[www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/grownups/help-your-child-with-maths](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/grownups/help-your-child-with-maths) - lots of ideas for practical maths activities to do at home

[www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/4-to-5-year-old-child-development-activities](https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/4-to-5-year-old-child-development-activities) - provides short videos on games and activities parents can engage in with their child, many of which the children can then play on their own or with a sibling.

[www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies) - Numberblocks - activities for children to engage in to continue with important number skills such as counting, number recognition, simple calculation.

[www.hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk](http://www.hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/) – activities for children aged 0-5

[www.literacytrust.org.uk](http://www.literacytrust.org.uk/) chat, play read videos and activities for parents and children from 0-5

[www.backyardnature.org.uk](http://www.backyardnature.org.uk/) – lots of ideas for children to get involved in looking for nature in the garden /yard. Make a bug hotel using empty cardboard boxes left in a corner, and then look to see watch is hiding after a couple of days. Look on the internet to find out the names of the mini beasts hiding in your garden.

[www.woodlandtrust.org.uk](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/) / [www.nationalinsectweek.co.uk](http://www.nationalinsectweek.co.uk/) for nature’s detective ideas and activities

**Useful websites and activities for younger children.**

What to expect, when?

Guidance to support your child’s learning and development in the early years foundation stage.

<https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/files/2015/03/4Children_ParentsGuide_2015_WEB.pdf>

Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ3) parent activities

<https://agesandstages.com/resource/asq-learning-activity-handouts/>

Tiny Happy People

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

CBEEBIES

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies>

100 things to do before you are 6 – Free to download poster.

<https://www.spreadthehappiness.co.uk/product/100-things-youre-six/>

50 Fantastic Ideas to Try at Home

<https://abcdoes.com/home-learning/>

PACEY

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/spotlight-on/being-school-ready/>