

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: School Closure Home Learning

As you know, we have been instructed by the Government that schools across the whole of the UK will be closed after Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 until further notice. In order to ensure children are able to continue their education, we have put together packs of Home Learning for the children to do whilst at home. All their Home Learning has been designed, where possible, to be done directly from the screen and should be completed in the exercise book they brought home this week. Teachers have tried to ensure that children have already learnt the concepts so should be able to access the tasks independently. The tasks should take approximately the length of time in the table below:

Subject	Maximum length of time
Reading/phonics task	30mins
Maths	1 hour
English	1 hour
Other subjects (e.g. PSHE, Art etc)	1 hour
Additional activities such as times tables, spellings and reading book	Please see the Home Learning Diary for your year group

The Home Learning for each year group will be accessible via the Hayes Primary School website. To find all the documents you will need, please follow the procedure below:

1. Hover over the 'Pupils' tab and choose your year group.
2. Click on the Homework box.
3. Choose the 'Home Learning Diary' document as your guide to the Home Learning for that week.

The Home Learning Diary will explain all the different Home Learning activities that have been set by the teachers in the year group. All resources you need will be available in the same list of downloads on the Year Group Homework page.

Home Learning for Week 1 (week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> March) will be uploaded by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. This will then be replaced with the following week's learning by the Monday of each week. We will not be setting Home Learning for over the Easter Holiday but will continue to set it for the week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

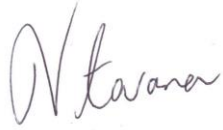
If a student is unwell, they are not expected to complete any work until they are better. If your son/daughter shows symptoms, including a persistent cough and/or temperature during the school closure, they should self-isolate in accordance with Government advice, regardless of whether the closure remains in place.

We are aware that this is a new experience for everybody so we have put together a suggested timetable below if you feel it might be helpful but it's entirely up to you how you would like to timetable your days.

09:00-09:30	09:45-10:45	11:05-12:05	13.30-14.30	15:00-15:30
Phonics/ Reading	English	Maths	Topic lesson e.g. PSHE, Science	Spelling, reading

If you would like any other ideas for other types of learning you could do at home, please see the additional websites on the next page. We appreciate your support in these uncertain times and hope you and your families all stay safe.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Vitarana

## 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 UKTWINKHELPS. Worksheets, PowerPoints and interactive games to support all areas of learning.  
[www.twinkl.co.uk/](http://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/](http://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/](http://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/](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.youtube.com/user/GoNoodleGames/featured)



### Premier League Stars

Videos and activities to support with Maths, Literacy, PSHE and PE.  
[www.plprimarystars.com](http://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](http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround)

We love!



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



### Phonics Play

[www.phonicsplay.co.uk/free/index.htm](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/free/index.htm)



### Phonics Bloom

[www.phonicsbloom.com/](http://www.phonicsbloom.com/)



### Letters and Sounds

[www.letters-and-sounds.com/](http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/)



### Cheebies—Alphablocks

[www.bbc.co.uk/cheebies/shows/alphablocks](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cheebies/shows/alphablocks)



### Teach Your Monster to Read (Website is free. Paid App)

[www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/](http://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/)



### Oxford Owl

[www.oxfordowl.co.uk/](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/)



### Teach Handwriting—Cursive Practise

[www.teachhandwriting.co.uk/index.html](http://www.teachhandwriting.co.uk/index.html)



### Vooks—Storybooks Brought to Life

[www.vooks.com/](http://www.vooks.com/)



### Scholastic—Classroom Magazines

[www.classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html](http://www.classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html)



### Spelling Shed (Paid App or Free with School Subscription)

[www.spellingshed.com/en-gb](http://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb)

Highly recommended!



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



### TopMarks

[www.topmarks.co.uk/](http://www.topmarks.co.uk/)



### Dragon Box (Paid App)

[www.dragonbox.com](http://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](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cheebies/shows/numberblocks)



### Explorify for Science

[www.explorify.wellcome.ac.uk/](http://www.explorify.wellcome.ac.uk/)



### ICT Games—For Literacy and Maths

[www.ictgames.co.uk/](http://www.ictgames.co.uk/)



### Prodigy Maths (Free App)

[www.prodigygame.com/](http://www.prodigygame.com/)

A great bank of interactive games!

