Home Learning Support for Parents

Continuing your child’s education at home is important to us as well as your child. In order to support you, we have put together these strategies so that your child is benefitting from their learning.

You can also check out these free home-schooling sites/resources.

<https://www.homeschooling-ideas.com/free-homeschool-curriculum.html>

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/home-education/home-education-specific-resources-home-education>

Reading – daily 15-20mins (question ideas can be found on the learning page)

Time tables – daily Rockstars 10-15mins

* Encourage your child to recite aloud /time their speed and record their time on a chart
* Ping pong back and forth between children or parent and child counting in 2s,5s,10s.
* Support with phonics:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/pages/how-to-help-with-phonics-videos>

Reading, Writing and Maths

All end of year expectations and subject overviews for all terms for every year group can be found on your child’s class page. You can refer to these to find out what your child would like to learn about or what they would like to learn more about after studying in class.

Early Years

Writing activities

* Encourage children to look for print in their environment –road signs, food packets, shops, catalogues etc.
* Try activities to develop fine motor skills e.g. cutting, using playdough, using tweezers, using clothes pegs, tracing.
* Use a chalkboard to write family messages on.
* Make labels for things around the house.
* Write a shopping list – real or imaginary! Or any other sort of list.
* Letter formation – practise forming letters using paint, in sand, using playdough or pastry.
* Let your child write their own Christmas cards or birthday cards to people.
* Use magnetic letters – your child can leave a message on the fridge.
* Encourage and praise early squiggles and marks which show your child is beginning to understand writing.

Maths

* **Use the online sheets but record on paper/exercise book.**

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>

watch the video – do the activity – check the answers for your year group.

* Read the numbers on a clock.
* Play shops using money. Can you show different ways of making an amount? What about if I need change?
* Fun maths at home:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/maths/maths-skills-ages-4-5/>

Year 1/Year 2

English

* Write party invitations.
* Encourage children to write thank you letters after birthdays and Christmas.
* Write postcards when on holiday.
* Write menu for a family meal or party.
* Email a family member or friend.
* Make a scrap book with labels and captions – maybe recalling a holiday or special event.
* Write short stories involving the adventures of their favourite toys.
* Write an information leaflet about something they find interesting eg. dinosaurs, sports etc.
* Write a letter to a favourite author.
* Invent and write rules for the house, bedroom etc. and put on a poster
* Draw, label and explain their own inventions. Make up silly sentences and tongue twisters.
* Learn to read and spell common exception words.

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

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/english/primary-spelling/>

* Write questions to a character from your favourite book.

Maths

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* Practise telling the time. (more key stage 1)
* Play shops using money. Can you show different ways of making an amount? What about if I need change?
* Fun maths at home:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/maths/maths-skills>

Science

* Look at the plants in the garden - What do they need to grow? Can you identify any? etc.
* Draw the life cycle of a frog/butterfly
* Label a plant – leaf, flower, petal, bud, stem, roots.
* Discuss what the parts of a plant do.
* Look for insects in the garden – find out their job eg. ladybirds eat greenfly
* Look for objects that you push/pull
* Name the parts of the body
* Discuss healthy eating

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z6svr82>

* Draw a picture of earth and water – draw animals that live in/on these habitats
* Draw the four seasons and write a sentence to say what happens in each.

History/Geography

* Talk about toys past and present – what did mum and dad play with?
* Watch a video and then write the story in order.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks2-history/zfbwhbk>

* Put in time order family photographs.
* Describe a holiday visit home or abroad
* Compare and contrast Blackpool with a holiday.
* Celebrations through the year – Christmas, Bonfire Night, Easter.

Art

* Cutting skills
* Make an Easter card
* Create patterns by sprinkling icing sugar on wet paint
* Draw a picture with wax crayons and paint.

PE

* Join Joe Wicks at 9am every day

<https://www.thebodycoach.com/blog/pe-with-joe-1254.html%E2%80%8B>

* Learn to tie shoelaces