

# Short Term Absence (and General) Home Learning Options

This document is designed to enable some general Home Learning options for use in the short term. During your child's absence from school, we would like to signpost you to some excellent places where you can obtain access to free educational apps, games, activities or worksheets. In the case of a longer term absence or school closure, teachers will prepare full on line courses for your children to work on. These are prepared as necessary and posted with these materials.

Below are some of our recommendations, listed by subject. It will be important to try to maintain a good coverage of different subjects to try to achieve variety and stop boredom. I hope that these prove useful:

## Twinkl

- Twinkl is a commonly used site by educators for accessing tasks and challenges for pupils across a range of subjects. During school closures, twinkl are offering free membership to all parents. Go to the website: [www.twinkl.co.uk/offer](http://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer) and enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS. This will provide you to access to all of their materials – something for which education settings normally have to pay a large sum. Do register for this and take advantage!

## Year 6 SATs revision books

- If you have invested in the SATs revision books then this is obviously an excellent resource to continue using during this time. Do try to attempt variety by accessing some of the other sites suggested below.

## Reading

- Your child will be encouraged to take a minimum of three reading books home with them.
- <https://www.audible.co.uk> offer a range of free books that children can listen to.

## Writing, Spelling and Grammar

- Spelling word lists will be sent home – practice spellings by: writing a line, writing a word pyramid, writing in rainbow, finding a definition, using in a sentence, writing acrostic poems and more!
- 100wc.net is a site that gives prompts for creative writing activities. The idea is to keep your story to no more than 100 words and fit the instruction that they give. A good, fun challenge.
- <https://store.bravewriter.com/products/daily-writing-tips-volume-one> A free document until the end of April with some guidance for daily writing support for your child.
- <https://www.literacysshed.com/> Holds a range of writing stimuli's including clips and images to inspire story writing

## Maths

- <http://www.mathscore.com/> gives free parent logins and provides materials for learning some of the key maths facts which they need to know across year groups.
- <https://play.ttrockstars.com/> remains available and it is important to maintain good speeds and knowledge in. Your child's login is:
- <https://www.mathplayground.com/> no logins required to access the range of well structured, helpful games that provide great guidance towards developing some sound understandings.
- <https://login.mathletics.com/>

## Science

BBC bitesize provides learning guides and games.

- **Key stage 1** <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z6svr82>  
Try working on Lifecycle of a Plant and What is a Pond? units. Make a poster or fact sheet once finished.
- **Key stage 2** <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z2pfb9q>  
Try working on Humans in the Environment and Rocks soils and fossils units. Make a poster or fact sheet once finished.

Alternatively try...

- <https://mysteryscience.com/school-closure-planning> Great interactive videos and activities for learning about a whole range of different scientific areas. This is a fun American site with Kindergarten and grade 1 being for youngest (Y1-2 approx), and grades 2-5 for older primary ages (Y3-6 approx).

## Computing

- <https://hourofcode.com/uk/learn> for practicing programming skills
- <https://scratch.mit.edu/download> download scratch for offline programming practice. Access <https://resources.scratch.mit.edu/www/guides/en/Getting-Started-Guide-Scratch2.pdf> to see some getting started guides, and there are many more complex ones out there. This book 'I'm a Scratch Coder' at <https://www.getepic.com/app/read/53420> is perfect for some challenging tasks.

## Languages

- Access duolingo at: <https://schools.duolingo.com/> Your child's login is:

## History

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zcw76sg> choose your topic of interest, read the guides, watch the clips, complete the quizzes, play the games, attempt the tasks. So much to do and you can access so many other subjects and opportunities here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>

## Geography

- Take a tour around the world on google earth. Download the app or load in a browser. See what you can learn about rivers, cities, and important sites the world over.

## All other curriculum areas

- Visit the aforementioned bbc bitesize website for clips, ideas and inspiration for working across other subject areas like Art, DT, Music, RE, PSHE and other materials to support all of the above subjects. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>