Staff have sent, and will continue to send, home activities that we hope the children will engage in, enjoy and learn from. We appreciate that parents are also working from home so don't try to get through it all. These activities are suggested – use them if they suit you and your situation at home, don't use them if they don't. We are sending work that reminds them of their prior learning and sometimes builds upon it. There is usually more than enough so that there are plenty of options to keep children occupied. However, if there are, for example, three different ages of children in the family, please don't try to do three different activities. Older children are able to work more independently but better still try something that they can all engage in – reading a story together, role play, free writing, baking, gardening etc. Ideally, all children should be reading (and discussing about what they have read) every day; there should be some weekly free writing and some number work – practical (as previously mentioned, cooking, cleaning and tidying, outside activities or maths games), physical or digital. Physical exercise each day and some weekly art/music are also suggested. For younger children especially, fine motor control are also beneficial – Lego/construction kits, colouring, playdough, cutting etc.

Please remember, you are doing enough. You are loving your children and supporting them through a difficult time. Don't let this be something that stresses you. You are your child's primary educator and this is your call, for you to control.

For those of you who wish, here are some suggested websites with activities that should be fun and interesting for children and adults alike.

Curriculum <a href="https://www.busythings.co.uk">https://www.busythings.co.uk</a> Username standrewsoh Password saoh

https://www.barefootcomputing.org/homelearning

https://tpet.co.uk updated regularly if you register for free

https://www.thenational.academy

Digimap for schools <a href="https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/resources/scavengerhunt">https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/resources/scavengerhunt</a> Username BL51EN Password peched1436

Online Safety <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/">https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/</a>

Classroom Secrets – English and Maths for each Year group <a href="https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/free-home-learning-packs/">home-learning-packs/</a> - updated weekly if you register for free and now there are activities also linked to the BBC Bitesize daily lessons

BBC Bitesize – Daily lessons across the curriculum for Y1 to T6 (we await information for Reception but the site still has lots of activities for EYFS) – this is the link to the schedule of lessons and activities

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons?fbclid=IwAR3mT12RthgwilaY4E9FV9KiYsmQ2d5q\_IKN7nWMBwXmAhUWT0Mzb6wmX\_I

Reading books linked to the school reading bands <a href="https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/">https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/</a> - free registration required

Coronavirus (COVID-19): list of education resources for home education <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-online-education-resources/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-online-education-resources-for-home-education-re

We will update this list regularly.

Thank you