

Foundation Home Learning Newsletter 2

Dear Families,

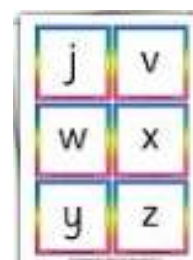
We do hope that you are all well, especially as we go into the next phase in this extraordinary time. At the front of the school, we have left a little present for each of you!! A red book and a folder with paper in, for you to keep your art/writing etc in.

Please stick to the guidelines we've been given by the government and only collect if you are passing during your exercise time or part of an essential journey to work or for food. Please do not take any risks. They are not named so just take the top one. Thank you.

Phonics

I saw a mum today (Tuesday) on my way to school who told me that their daughter had been really enjoying the phonics activities on **Twinkl**. Have you had a look there yet? It's free for a month to parents.

www.twinkl.co.uk > Parents > Free Resources



Have you tried looking for games and activities for phonics on these sites:

- Letters and sounds: <http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/> (free resources)
- Phonics Play: <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> (free access in response to the ongoing situation)
- Sound pronunciation video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DWQ6MeccRCU>

Maths



There are lots of sites on-line to get ideas for playing games. Have you got board games or cards or dominoes at home? These are perfect for maths.

NEW [http://www.first4maths.co.uk/wp-](http://www.first4maths.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/EYFS-Creative-At-Home-Resources-from-First4Maths-1.pdf)

[content/uploads/2020/03/EYFS-Creative-At-Home-Resources-from-First4Maths-1.pdf](http://www.first4maths.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/EYFS-Creative-At-Home-Resources-from-First4Maths-1.pdf) some new ideas to try.

www.topmarks.co.uk Topmarks see this site for online interactive games

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/schemes-of-learning/primary-sols/> As a school, we follow White Rose maths, they will be releasing free resources for parents.

The children enjoy watching....

www.bbc.co.uk > cbeebies > shows > numberblocks

<https://www.bbc.co.uk> > CBeebies > Numberjacks

Reading at home



Have you discovered 'BorrowBox' from Newbury Library? Let me know how you are getting on with this. Have you been able to use this or do you know of any other e-book sites we can share? Email the office if you have any ideas and they will pass them on to us.

There are lots of sites that have eBooks that have stories you can either listen to for pleasure or read along with. Have a look at

Oxford Owls <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> This has Oxford Reading Tree books to read as well as games to go with them.

Writing

We have put a box outside school with red books in and folders with paper in. These are perfect for keeping a diary, drawing pictures, writing stories etc. We've also put in a handwriting sheet to help you form letters with our pre-cursive handwriting. **Remember the guidelines from the government when collecting these.**



Keeping Active and Mindfulness

Have you seen any rainbows in people's windows? Have a look while you're out taking family exercise walks or bike rides. Why don't you paint or colour a rainbow and put it in your window to cheer other people up?

***NEW *** <https://activeforlife.com/> A new site for you to check out – hundreds of ideas for physical activity!

NEW We think Joe Wicks PE is suitable for older children. We really liked Andy's Wild Workouts on CBeebies try this link <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p06tmmvz>

Cosmic Kids <https://www.cosmickids.com> we looked at The Bear Hunt episode in school. I hid some bears and we did our own mini bear hunt – not too many hazards around school.

Go Noodle <https://www.gonoodle.com/> this is such fun and very fast!! The Trolls one has one of my favourite songs...can you guess which song it is?

If you have anything you would like to share with us, please email it to office@winchcombe.w-berks.sch.uk and they will pass it on – artwork, videos etc. We miss you all so much! We're not in every day but we'll check our emails and email back when we can.