



Dear Parents/Carers,

We really value all the feedback we have received about our 'Home Learning Packs' to date. We also appreciate that this is a very unusual time - a time that none of us has ever experienced before!

Our advice to parents worrying about home schooling is, first and foremost, relax - try not to stress - because it may become stressful. Your children may be scared by things they have seen or heard on TV and children won't learn much if they are stressed.

Cuddle up together and read, read, read. Take turns reading. Do a puzzle. Build a fort. Bake. Set up a tent in your living room and camp out. Build a den. Look at photos of when you were a child and talk about what life was like then. Play board games. Paint. Garden. In other words, don't fret about them forgetting everything they've learned at school - every child in the country is in the same boat and this will end.

This is a scary time, but is an opportunity to spend time together, and it may very well be a time that the children look back and remember as one of the good times in their lives.

Make sure you're relaxed and ready to do the home learning tasks - try not to get frustrated - maybe do it in the tent!

During term time, staff are all still working, so please remember that you can still contact your child's teacher by email during working hours if you have any questions or concerns and they will get back to you.

Young children are going to remember how their family felt during this time, more than anything specific about the virus. Our children are watching and learning how to respond to stress and uncertainty. Let's work together to wire them with the values of resilience, adaptability, kindness and courage.

As we're sure you'll all understand, our 'Learning Packs' to date were created at speed. We have now had time to reflect and going forward we would like to simplify them to include the following activities. This may appear to be a contradiction with the sentiments above but we're aware that many of you have requested learning so here are some suggestions and signposts to various learning activities. It's important for us to us that we're looking after all aspects of your child's development - social, emotional, physical, creative, technological and academic.

## Year 6

### Maths

We would like the children to practise their tables to improve recall speed and accuracy of ALL tables. They can do this by visiting 'Times Tables Rockstars'.

There are resources at: <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-6>

### Lessons for the week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April:

Lesson 1 - Step 6 - Calculating scale factors

Lesson 2 - Step 7 - Ratio and proportion problems

Lesson 3 - Step 1 - Measure with a protractor

Lesson 4 - Step 2 - Introduce angles

Lesson 5 - Step 3 - Calculate angles

### English - Reading and Writing

Please ensure that your child is reading 30 minutes a day and that you are reading with your child often and they are recording it in their 'Home School Diary'. They need to be taking tests in Accelerated Reader as often as possible. Your child could also write reviews of the books they read to share with the class when we return to school.

The following link provides daily tasks for writing and grammar with images for inspiration:

<https://www.pobble365.com>

This week we would also like your child to interview a member of their family and write/type this up.

On SPaG.Com we have set some SPaG activities for your child.

For spellings we'd like children to practise the Year 5/6 and Year 3/4 Spelling List. Also look at this link

<https://spellingframe.co.uk/guest/word-list/19919>

For help with handwriting, log on to <https://www.letterjoin.co.uk>.

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### Science

Please go to <https://www.stem.org.uk/primary-science> and select an investigation about 'Evolution and Inheritance' to complete at home.

### Computing

<https://www.purplemash.com/login>

### Topics

BBC Bitesize has a lot of excellent resources and videos relating to our topics taught this year.

### RE

Go to: <https://www.natre.org.uk/about-natre/free-resources-for-you-and-your-pupils/key-stage-2/> and complete the activity on the Sikh festival of Vaisakhi.

### Art

Get Creative! Design a poster for a film/TV series you have enjoyed.

Get outside and draw/ paint something from nature.

Create a comic strip/ story board.

PE with Joe - [www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhIOv-w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhIOv-w)

Other sites: <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/covid19-school-closure> and <https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/blog/learning-home-packs>