

COVID HOME LEARNING RESOURCE PLAN

The Willow Brook Home Learning policy outlines our plans for individuals, groups or classes who unable to attend school due to COVID restrictions. We aim to continue to support progress and establish opportunities for quality home school study should it become necessary.

As long as class teachers are continuing to deliver lessons in school, children will, wherever possible, be invited to join the class via Teams.

Similarly, should any whole class in the school be asked to isolate or the school finds itself in a lockdown situation, we will use Microsoft Teams to provide daily live teaching and deliver learning tasks. Your child will be familiar with this platform. An individual login has been sent to you - you may find it written in your child's reading record. Should you need to access this information again, please get in touch with the office.

N.B. Tutorials on how to access Teams are available on the school website.
<https://willowbrook.notts.sch.uk/how-to-access-your-ms-teams-online-learning/>

During the current COVID uncertainty, children may be absent from school for reasons beyond your control. It may be, for example, that your child is at home waiting for a COVID test result. They may find that they test positive for COVID but are asymptomatic. The following activities and links will support age-appropriate learning and connect your child to the topics on their current curriculum during such a time. They will providing meaningful learning experiences in the event of teachers being unable to deliver live teaching or for short periods of time until live learning can be put in place. It may also be the case that children may wish to access the lessons below to support their learning during sessions where it is not practical for them to join their classmates virtually in the classroom.

Please remember that if your child is symptomatic or unwell, there would be no expectation for them to engage in school work.

Key Stage 2

English

Reading and Writing lessons

Year 3

To support recent work on writing narrative and enjoying classic stories, we recommend the following series of book study lessons on the BFG:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/the-bfg-narrative-writing-8e62>

Year 4

To support recent work on The Windrush, we recommend this book study:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/the-windrush-diary-writing-6b05>

Year 5

We recommend a super unit of work on Holes by Louis Sachar – a book Mrs Smith loves to share.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/holes-by-louis-sachar-3d8e>

Year 6

We recommend a book unit on A Christmas Carol to improve a recent unit on Victorian narrative

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/a-christmas-carol-narrative-writing-ba9f>

After studying the Industrial Revolution, you might choose to engage with Street Child instead...

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/streetchild-by-berlie-doherty-d135>

Reading books

Free to access e-books are available for all ages here:

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/free-ebooks/>

Grammar

Your teacher will guide you towards the year group's current focus in grammar. You will find lessons and resources to support learning here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-2/subjects/english-grammar>

Spelling

Use your child's spelling journal to see what spelling patterns have been taught recently. Revise these rules using lessons on the following site

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-2/subjects/english-spelling>

Mathematics

For age appropriate maths lessons that will complement and support those taught at school, please click on the following link:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-2/subjects/maths>

Your class teacher will guide you towards specific lessons and current topics being studied in class.

Resources are available through the Oxford Owl site and can be accessed here:

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/kids-activities/fun-maths-games-and-activities/>

Foundation subject learning

History in Year 3

Consolidate your knowledge of prehistoric times here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/prehistoric-britain-b65f>

History in Year 4

Find out more about the Romans here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/roman-britain-9a0e>

History in Year 5

Journey further with Invaders and Settlers here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/vikings-and-anglo-saxons-vc874>

History in Year 6

Following our focus on Remembrance, research the following:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/20th-century-conflict-world-war-i-3cbd>

Music

Access some Willow Brook songs and learn more about rehearsals:

<https://www.singup.org/singupathome>

Art

Key stage 2 have been studying a variety of artists this term, from Banksy, Giacometti and Lowry to Grayson Perry. Find out more about creative masters through this unit of work:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/taking-inspiration-from-artists-and-craftspeople-c9j6ar>

EYFS & Key Stage 1

Reading

All e-books are free of charge and follow the colour book band used in school. To access these parents can create a free account.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>

You'll find some quality books to share together on the Book Trust website

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/>

Writing

Talk for Writing is a quality resource that we recommended during home learning last year. They will provide inspiration for creative thinking and lead children through a well-structured learning process:

EYFS: <https://www.talk4writing.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/R-Rabbit-F.pdf>

You might like to revisit a story from earlier this term and enjoy these new lessons:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/the-three-billy-goats-gruff-d801>

Year 1: <https://www.talk4writing.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Y1-Bob-F.pdf>

You might also enjoy this series of lessons on a Year 1 text

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/the-magic-paintbrush-mood-1d98>

Year 2: <https://www.talk4writing.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Y2-Superheroes-1.pdf>

To fit in with a recent theme of retelling a narrative, you might also follow this series of lessons on the Emperor's New Clothes:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/the-emperors-new-clothes-8620>

Phonics

Play phonics games to reinforce the learning that has taken place in school.

<https://letters-and-sounds.com/>

EYFS - You might like to practise your sounds through song!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bvRKcch4DyE>

Our phonics curriculum can be supported through activities on Phonicsplay.

EYFS are currently engaged with phases 1 - 3, whilst Year 1 are working within phase 4 and 5. Year 2 are revising all phases.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources>

Maths

EYFS

Current teaching objectives, lessons and activities involving all aspects of EYFS maths can be accessed here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/early-years-foundation-stage/subjects/maths>

KS1

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-1/subjects/maths>

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-2/subjects/maths>

Your child's teacher has provided a plan for the half term which details current areas of focus.

Topic Work

EYFS: Fairy Tale Adventure

You will find lessons on traditional tales (The Gingerbread Man, The Giant Turnip, for example) to support the fairy tales the children have been engaged with.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/early-years-foundation-stage/subjects/literacy>

Year 1: Within Living Memory

In history this term, Year 1 have been looking at the village and how it has changed within living memory.

Other lessons to support this topic for Year 1 can be found here:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/how-have-peoples-lives-changed-in-living-memory-e32c>

STEM: Food Technology and Healthy Eating

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/cooking-and-nutrition-preparing-fruit-and-vegetables-2007>

Year 2: Voyages to the Poles

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/oceans-and-seas-a546>

Captain Scott was an inspiration last half term. Explore the lives of other significant people.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf49q6f>

STEM: Materials

To stand alongside the STEM unit on materials and Year 2's recent textile work in Design Technology, you will build on learning by participating in these lessons:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/materials-de3f>