

## Home Learning Expectations for Pupils in Key Stage 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see our school expectations for Key Stage 2 home learning set out below. We recognise that parents are not teachers and we do not expect you to provide activities for children to do from 9am - 3pm each day.

In Key Stage 2, we will place the emphasis for home learning on Maths and English each day. These lessons will be set on Google Classroom each week/day for your child to access. In addition, teachers will set a range of learning activities which are linked to other subject areas for completion across the week. These activities will be designed to ensure a breadth of learning is maintained at home and to encourage your child to learn in creative ways which are different to online learning. We hope that this ensures a balance between online learning and having fun and being creative with learning at home.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

We can't wait to see and comment on your child's learning at home, so please encourage your child to send us their work on Google Classroom each day so that we can praise them and give them feedback, both virtually and back in the classroom!

Many thanks,  
The Key Stage 2 Team

### Daily Expectations:

- Reading every day is so important. Children in Key Stage 2 should read for at least 20-30 minutes every day. Some of this should be reading aloud to an adult if possible. However, children in Key Stage 2 like to read independently too. Please record reading completed together and independently in the school reading record. Your child will be set books to read on the Active Learn site but we would like them to read their own reading books too.
- Practise joined handwriting using the Letter-Join style. We will try to send home handwriting books for your child to practise. All guidance and activities are on the Letter-Join website. There are also some pages in the back of your child's planner which show the Letter Join style.
- Daily Maths lessons will replicate the format we adopt in school:
  - The lesson will commence with a revision task. This will typically be some form of mental arithmetic.
  - There will then either be a PowerPoint attached or a link to a video. These presentations will introduce the Learning Objective and work through examples of questions the children will be asked to complete.
  - The children will then be referred to an activity where they can employ the skills they have acquired.
- In addition to the above, we would also encourage children to improve their understanding of Maths by practising times tables, looking at the Maths pages at the back of the reading record and learning key facts, logging on to MyMaths and working through the Booster tasks.
- Practise reading and spelling the Key Stage 2 High Frequency words/spellings. These are in the back of your child's reading record.
- Spend at least half an hour doing something active, outside if you can e.g. riding bikes, walking or playing different games.

- Spend time being creative! Paint, draw, design and construct models, knit, sew, experiment, cook... It is so important to do the things that you like doing.
- Communicate! Make sure you're talking to each other, especially about your feelings and emotions during this difficult time.

Weekly Guidance

Each week, we will set daily Maths and English lessons for your child. We will also suggest links to sites such as National Oak Academy and BBC Bitesize Lessons to be used alongside these lessons, if required. Please encourage your child to complete the Maths and English lessons each day. Children should prioritise the Maths and English lessons set by their teacher and then try some of the other suggested activities for other subjects if they have time.

Please find below a suggested 'timetable' that you may wish to follow to help structure your day.

Activity 1 15 minutes	Activity 2 45 minutes	Break/ play - 30 minutes	Activity 3 45 minutes	Lunch - 60 minutes	Activity 4 60 minutes	Activity 5 15 minutes
Choose from: Handwriting Practice Times Tables Spelling	English lesson- set on Google Classroom		Maths lesson - set on Google Classroom		Try an activity from the list of suggested learning tasks on Google Classroom, such as a Science experiment, some independent research or a creative task. Try to complete this activity away from the computer.	Choose from: Times Tables Reading Spelling

Websites:

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk> (reading and grammar activities - log in details are in your child's reading record)

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk> (log in details are in your child's reading record)

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning>

[www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk) (log in details are in your child's school reading record)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

<https://www.thenational.academy/>

<https://plprimarystars.com/>

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/> (National Geographic)

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids> (Tate Gallery website for children- lots of Art activities)

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/> (Natural History Museum)

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/> (DK Find Out - What do you want to find out? Great for research)

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/childrens-mental-health/>

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/coronavirus/publications/talking-your-children-about-coronavirus-pandemic>

[Woodlands Junior](#) is an excellent site with games and challenges in maths and grammar.

[TT Rockstars](#) is every pupils favourite way to learn their tables.