

EYFS Home Learning

Please try to continue with your child's learning during self-isolation with some of the following ideas. Also remember, including your child in everyday chores are great opportunities for learning, e.g. sorting socks into pairs (patterns), helping wash dishes in soapy water (capacity and motor control), setting the table (counting knives and forks) and gardening (looking at change within nature).

Children love playdough! Once you have made the dough, give your child some dried pasta, cutlery, plates, cupcake cases, straws, etc and allow them time to investigate and develop their fine motor skills.



A photograph of a young child with brown hair, wearing a purple shirt, sitting at a table and rolling a piece of yellow playdough. The child is looking down at the dough with concentration. The background shows a classroom setting with a wooden table and chairs.

No Cook Play Dough

You will need:

- 2 cups of plain flour
- Few drops of food colouring
- 2 tbs vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup of salt
- 2 cups of boiling water

What to do:

- Mix the flour, salt, oil and food colouring in a bowl.
- Slowly add the boiling water.
- Stir as you add the water (you may not need it all!).
- Allow to cool and then knead and play.

- **PHONICS:** <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk> This site is very useful for phonics games, some of which the children will be familiar with. The site is currently offering free access to all with the following log-in:

user name: march20 **password:** home

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/3-5-years/letters-and-sounds> This site has lots of games to practise blending and reading. For a challenge, please look at the games under the 5-7 years tab.

Don't forget to keep **reading to your child**. This is a great way to increase your child's vocabulary and ensure they continue developing a love of stories. To continue **writing** on a regular basis, you could help your child to start writing a journal – just a sentence everyday about he/she has done and then draw a picture.

- **MATHS:** <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=16&AgeGroup=1> This site has lots of tablet-friendly games for developing mathematical concepts. It is free and requires no log-in.

<https://nrich.maths.org/13371> This is another good site for mathematical games tailored for Early Years children. Again, this is a free site with no log-in required.

Maths is everywhere! It is easy to practise mathematical concepts at home with activities such as playing in the sink with water and a selection of containers, cooking or counting stairs, toys or anything else around the home.

We sing lots of maths songs in school. Here is a link to our playlist of songs for you to play at home:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnITJRmr4gFQCKbQwhkMohCZhullqYMJC>

- If you have a printer at home, please look at the following websites for ideas to print and work on. These can include writing templates (engaging borders and lined paper) as well as cutting and sticking activities.

- Twinkl is a great site for page borders to engage your child to do some mark making. Please be selective when choosing activities from this site as worksheets and tracing activities are not necessarily very helpful

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/home-early-years/early-years-class-management/school-closure-home-learning-classroom-management-eyfs-early-years>

- The Imagination Tree website has many creative, fun ideas to do with children from babies to 5 years (and sometimes older). You may need to hunt down some of the resources, but she provides lots of open-ended ideas with objects that you will find around the home.

<https://theimaginationtree.com/stay-at-home-survival-guide/>

I hope you find this list useful and are able to keep your child's learning progressing during this difficult time.

Please remember the simple things such as talking with your child, reviewing books he/she has read and films/ programmes you watched together on television. Also, stay active. Enjoy the outdoors when you can.