

Covid-19 Information for Parents at point of Closure

Below is a list of information, websites, instructions that we hope you will find useful during this time of closure. Each individual year group will also be sending out a letter tonight with more year group specific information on it. Some of the following websites and passwords have only been made available to us today or might be ones that are new to us. Please bare with us with any difficulties as we do our best to make things work over the coming days/weeks.

The work that your child completes at home **does not** need to be returned to school, unless specifically asked for and will not be marked by staff on return to school. We have included a blank exercise book in the pack for you to use to complete and work if needed.

Work will be uploaded on a Monday for that week both to Education City and potentially additional information to the school website. There is a reminder and prompt page on how to access Education City at the end of this letter. Work that is uploaded to the school website will give you a specific task to complete or direct you to a specific website to access something. Also at the end of this letter there is a guidance on how to / where to locate information on the website.

Below are some different resources that can be used

Company	Web link	Password	Year groups
Twinkl	www.twinkl.co.uk/offer	CVDTWINKLHELPS	ALL
Education City	www.educationcity.com	You have those already	N - 6
Oxford Reading Buddy	www.oxfordreadingbuddy.com	You have those already	R - 3
Bofa	https://www.bofaks2.co.uk/	Same username and password as Education City	4, 5, 6
Times Tables Rock star	www.ttrockstars.com	You have those already	2 - 6
Read Theory	www.readtheory.com	You have those already	5 and 6
Espresso	www.discoveryeducation.co.uk	Username: student4896 Password: Coding	N - 6

Other Useful Websites (that we recommend)

<https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html>

www.mathswizz.co.uk

www.bbc.co.uk>bitesize

Please ensure that any specific work set by the teacher via the school website or Education City is completed first. During this time staff will not be able to answer specific questions with regards to the different work and/or how to complete it. If however you have a problem accessing any of the sites that require a special code or password, please email school.admin@hfcs.org.uk. We are aware that there have been issues with Oxford Reading Buddy that are completely out of our control. If there is a problem logging on to that please don't email as we cannot do anything about it.

Education City

YOUR CHILD HAS ACCESS to EducationCity at home!

How to Log In...

STEP 1: Visit www.educationcity.com and click login

STEP 2: Enter your login details with the Country: England

Where Can I Find My Child's Classwork?

Click on Classwork on the main screen.

In Classwork there will be MyCity folders of work for Maths and English.

These will link through to content chosen by the teachers for your children to complete.

Holy Family School Website

If you go to the main website and onto the home page you will see a tab for each year group. If you click on your year group it will tell you what work has been set by your child's class teacher. Other key important communication from can also be accessed via the homepage.

Twinkl

When you first log onto Twinkl you will need to register and put in the code. Through the school website staff may direct you to find specific worksheets to use. They have also produced some general school closure packs which can be found here <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/wellbeing-parents/school-closures-category-free-resources-parents/school-closures-free-resources-parents>

There is also a Parents Hub that may contain other useful information / ideas, that can be found at

www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/parents

Espresso

You need to type the username and password. It won't work if you try to copy and paste it in. You can then use Espresso or Coding.

Bofa

When you first login you will be asked to add a date of birth to ensure that the right level of work is given to you. Please **do not** use your real date of birth. Please use the ones provided below:

Year 4 - 1st Jan 2011 Year 5- 1st Feb2010 Year 6- 1st March 2009

Other websites – new and not reviewed by school staff

<https://blockly.games> <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/> <https://www.duolingo.com>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio> <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/> <https://theimaginationtree.com>
<https://toytheater.com/> <https://m.youtube.com/user/crashcoursekids> <https://www.doorwayonline.org.uk/>
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/> <http://www.pobble365.com/> <https://spellingframe.co.uk/>
<https://masterthecurriculum.co.uk/> <https://www.gonoodle.com/> <https://www.typingclub.com/>
<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>
<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/?fbclid=IwAR2wJdpSJSelTf4do6aPhff8A3tAktNmpaxqZbkgudD49I71ep8-sjXmrac>
<https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/free-downloadable-issue/>

You tube is also another good place to look for children's fitness (The Body Coach), meditation, yoga and mindfulness activities.

Remember all the work that has been sent home, the sheets, the websites, the activities are all just ideas and suggestions for you to use. Whilst we would strongly encourage you to do some educational work with your children daily we recognise that you know your children and you family situation best. No doubt this will change during the days ahead. I'm sure you are all worried and anxious about these uncertain times, as are you children who do pick up on the feelings around them. Some days you may feel that a day of rest and chill time is needed. Other days outside space may be required. Never underestimate the power of learning through play and fun activities such as craft, imaginative play, water play, baking etc. Pick your battles over work and keep both physically and mentally healthy.

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