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Dear parents and carers,

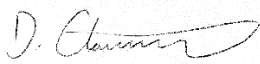
We wanted to write to you to welcome you and your children back formally to the beginning of the summer term. It has been a time of unprecedented disruption but we feel you have all coped magnificently. Your children have been working hard and produced some truly wonderful work. If you want to see some of this work then you should ask your child to show you the gallery of beautiful work the students have produced during lockdown.

We want to keep this great momentum going this term. Teachers will begin setting on-line learning activities again this week and we will appreciate your support in getting your children back into a productive work routine. We recommend they work between 3–5 hours a day and stick to the deadlines in each of their subjects. We listened to feedback from students and from parents who contacted us and have adjusted our home learning timetable and the learning set. This includes an extra day before submission to allow greater flexibility so hopefully you will find it works more smoothly this term.

Below is a series of resources released recently by the Department for Education, which you may also find useful. It includes links to a variety of English, Maths, Science and PE activities. It also has some tips for health and well-being. They also link you to the extensive resources provided by the BBC, which were launched this week.

I hope you feel this has been useful and that together we can support our young people to keep learning and keep safe for the duration of this school closure. If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,



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Guidance

Coronavirus (COVID 19): list of online education resources for home education

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BBC Bitesize daily:

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

English:

Audible

Website: <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: all children's audiobooks are available for free while schools are closed.

Registration: not required

English Mastery

Website: <https://www.englishmastery.org/>

Key stages: key stage 3

Description: downloadable resource books providing 12 weeks of activities covering writing and poetry.

Registration: not required

English and Media Centre

Website: <https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/publications/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: downloadable resources covering a range of texts for key stage 3. GCSE resources are categorised by examination board.

Registration: not required

Pobble 365

Website: <https://www.pobble365.com/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: a new image is published each day as a basis for creative writing. Story starters, questions and drawing ideas are provided

Registration: not required

Poetry by Heart

Website: <https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: A wide selection of poetry covering different topics.

Registration: not required to view poems, but it is required to access teaching resources.

Seneca

Website: <https://app.senecalearning.com/courses?Price=Free&Age+Group=GCSE&Subject=English+Language>

Key stages: key stage 4

Description: a range of downloadable resources covering the GCSE curriculum, categorised by examination board.

Registration: not required

The Children's Poetry Archive

Website: <https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: an archive of spoken poetry recordings. Pupils can listen to poems being read aloud.

Registration: not required

The Day newsletter

Website: <https://theday.co.uk/subscriptions/the-day-home>

Key stages: key stage 3, key stage 4 and key stage 5

Description: a daily newsletter for parents and carers at home with children, helping to enrich learning with real-world knowledge and skills.

Registration: is required

Maths:

Bowland Maths Resources

Website: <https://www.bowlandmaths.org.uk/>

Key stages: key stage 3

Description: downloadable assessments on a range of subjects, including sample answers and assessment tips.

Registration: not required

Corbett Maths

Website: <https://corbettmaths.com/contents/>

Key stages: key stage 4

Description: a range of videos and downloadable questions categorised by topic and predicted grade.

Registration: not required

Hegarty Maths

Website: <https://hegartymaths.com/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: interactive activities including videos and questions. Teachers can track student progress and tailor next steps

Registration: requires school registration

MangaHigh

Website: <https://www.mangahigh.com/en-gb/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: interactive maths resources, including topic-specific questions and games that allow teachers to track student progress and set activities.

Registration: requires school registration

Mathigon

Website: <https://mathigon.org/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: interactive maths resources that allow teachers and parents to track student progress and set activities.

Registration: not required

Maths Kitchen

Website: <https://mathskitchen.com/topics>

Key stages: key stage 4

Description: an interactive GCSE revision website. Resources are categorised by topic, including video lessons and practice questions.

Registration: not required

Mathematics Mastery

Website: <https://www.mathematicsmastery.org/free-resources>

Key stages: key stage 3

Description: downloadable guidance and resource packs for parents and pupils.
Registration: not required

Nrich

Website: <https://nrich.maths.org/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: a range of activities. Some are interactive and some are to be completed offline. Activities are categorised by age range.

Registration: not required

Nrich Core Maths

Website: <https://nrich.maths.org/12524>

Key stages: key stage 3 to key stage 5

Description: games and puzzles as well as mathematical-thinking and problem-solving questions. Content is categorised by topic and age group.

Registration: not required

Nrich 'Solving Together' project

Website: <https://nrich.maths.org/solvingtogether>

Key stages: key stage 3

Description: this is a project that provides activities for parents and carers to try with children.

Registration: not required

Sparx

Website: <https://sparx.co.uk/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: a virtual classroom which supports teachers in building and running lessons as well as tracking pupil progress.

Registration: requires school registration

Top Marks

Website: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>

Key stages: key stage 3

Description: a range of interactive maths games categorised by age group.

Registration: not required

White Rose Maths (home learning)

Website: <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>

Key stages: key stage 3

Description: presentations and downloadable workbooks which are easy to use for parents. New material is being released each week.

Registration: not required

Science:

This initial list of science resources is based on recommendations from learned societies, including:

- the Association for Science Education (ASE)
- The Royal Society
- the Royal Society of Biology (RSB)
- the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)
- the Institute of Physics (IOP)

These resources link closely to the national curriculum, however there are many other resources supporting enrichment and practical activities available on the societies' websites and elsewhere.

BBC Bitesize

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

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: interactive resources covering the key stage 3 and key stage 4 science curriculums. Includes separate sections for biology, physics and chemistry.

Registration: not required

Institute of Physics (IOP)

Website: <https://spark.iop.org/supporting-schools-and-colleges-during-covid-19>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: a set of articles and resources designed to support teachers who are teaching remotely.

Registration: not required

Isaac Physics

Website: <https://isaacphysics.org/>

Key stages: key stage 4 and key stage 5

Description: online problem-solving activities and regular live video tuition to support teachers and students. The content focusses on physics but also covers some maths and chemistry.

Registration: not required, but registration increases functionality

Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)

Website: <https://edu.rsc.org/remote-teaching-support>

Key stages: key stage 3, key stage 4 and key stage 5

Description: a set of articles and resources designed to support teachers who are teaching remotely.

Registration: not required, but registration increases functionality

STEM Learning

Website: <https://www.stem.org.uk/resources/curated-collections/secondary-and-level-science-0>

Key stages: key stage 3, key stage 4 and key stage 5

Description: an online resource bank, which links to resources on external websites. The site features a live chat function offering support from subject experts. New home learning resources are being developed.

Registration: is required for some resources

Physical education (PE) and physical activity

This initial list of physical education (PE) and physical activity resources is based on recommendations from:

- the Association for Physical Education (afPE)
- Public Health England (PHE)
- Sport England
- the Yorkshire Sport Foundation (YSF)

These resources will help young people to get the daily 60 minutes of activity recommended by the UK Chief Medical Officer (CMO) in fun ways.

All the resources listed here are for activities designed to be carried out indoors or, if available, a garden.

Children and young people can go outside for one form of exercise a day, such as:

- a walk with members of their household
- a run with members of their household
- a cycle with members of their household

Outdoor exercise should be carried out locally.

Children and young people should always follow the latest [official advice on social distancing](#), which means making sure that they and their parent or carer stay more than 2 metres from others (including friends and other family members).

Fitness Blender

Website: <https://www.fitnessblender.com/>

Key stages: key stage 3 to key stage 5

Description: videos featuring a range of exercises and workouts. You can choose exercises by: degree of difficulty, type, gender and whether equipment is needed or not.

Registration: not required

#ThisIsPE

Website: <https://www.afpe.org.uk/physical-education/thisispe-supporting-parents-to-teach-pe-at-home/>

Key stages: key stage 3 and key stage 4

Description: videos delivered by teachers focussing on the PE curriculum which are accessible on YouTube.

Registration: not required

Mental wellbeing

This initial list of mental wellbeing resources is based on the recommendations of trusted partners.

It is designed to provide guidance on how to support the wellbeing of children and young people being educated remotely.

Many organisations already working with schools will be able to provide remote support, and schools are encouraged to discuss what ongoing support might be available during this time.

BPS

Website: <https://www.bps.org.uk/news-and-blogs>

Key stages: key stage 3 to key stage 5

Description: advice on dealing with school closures and talking to children about COVID-19.

Registration: not required