

## **Violet Way Academy Home learning - Useful tips on helping your child learn at home**

Your child was sent home with suggested learning and activities to carry out at home.

Each Year group will be posting additional learning plans with activities to do here. If you have questions regarding these please contact the school and we'd be happy to help.

### **Resources**

There is a growing list of free online resources to help you at home these include:

Espresso - [www.discoveryeducation.co.uk](http://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk) Username: student27647 Password – violet

A very popular resource that we use in school with 1000's of videos, activities and games across all topics. Foundation – is focused on Reception and KS1 on Years 1 and 2 but you can search and use the site to find a range of activities.

White rose maths - <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/> Great ideas of maths activities and a video to watch to explain learning. Just go to your Year Group and follow the activities.

Ruth Miskin Phonics - <https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/> Phonics activities, online lessons and advice – following the Read Write Inc phonics scheme that we use as a school. Each day on you tube there will be a lesson for your child to watch. Google you tube – Ruth Miskin.

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

National Geographic Kids <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/> Activities and quizzes for younger kids.

BBC Learning

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/coursesearch/>

This site is old and no longer updated and yet there's so much still available, from language learning to BBC Bitesize for revision. No TV licence required except for content on BBC iPlayer.

Blockly

<https://blockly.games>

Learn computer programming skills - fun and free.

Scratch

<https://scratch.mit.edu/explore/projects/games/>

Creative computer programming

Ted Ed

<https://ed.ted.com>

All sorts of engaging educational videos

Duolingo

<https://www.duolingo.com>

Learn languages for free. Web or app.

Mystery Science

<https://mysteryscience.com>

Free science lessons

The Kids Should See This

<https://thekidshouldseethis.com>

Wide range of cool educational videos

Crash Course

<https://thecrashcourse.com>

You Tube videos on many subjects

Crash Course Kids

<https://m.youtube.com/user/crashcoursekids>

As above for a younger audience

Crest Awards

<https://www.crestawards.org>

Science awards you can complete from home.

iDEA Awards

<https://idea.org.uk>

Digital enterprise award scheme you can complete online.

Paw Print Badges

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

Free challenge packs and other downloads. Many activities can be completed indoors. Badges cost but are optional.

Tinkercad

<https://www.tinkercad.com>

All kinds of making.

Cbeebies Radio

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio>

Listening activities for the younger ones.

Nature Detectives

<https://naturedetectives.woodlandtrust.org.uk/naturedetect.../>

A lot of these can be done in a garden, or if you can get to a remote forest location!

British Council

<https://www.britishcouncil.org/school-resources/find>

Resources for English language learning

Oxford Owl for Home

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Lots of free resources for Primary age

Big History Project

<https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home>

Aimed at Secondary age. Multi disciplinary activities.

Geography Games

<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>

Geography gaming!

Blue Peter Badges

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/about-blue-peter-badges>

If you have a stamp and a nearby post box.

The Artful Parent

<https://www.facebook.com/artfulparent/>

Good, free art activities

Red Ted Art

<https://www.redtedart.com>

Easy arts and crafts for little ones

The Imagination Tree

<https://theimaginationtree.com>

Creative art and craft activities for the very youngest.

Toy Theater

<https://toytheater.com/>

Educational online games

DK Find Out

[https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/...](https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/)

Activities and quizzes

Twinkl

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

This is more for printouts, and usually at a fee, but they are offering a month of free access to parents in the event of school closures. Use code PARENTSTWINKLHELPS

## Daily routines

Some parents have asked for suggestions on how to help their child learn at home. Each family may decide to carry out activities in a way that best suits them and their circumstances such as fitting around their own work.

For those wanting to follow more of a structured day you may want to consider:

Morning	
Physical exercise/ wake up shake up	Join an online fitness group such as the Joe Wicks work out (every day at 9am) or other physical activity.
Phonics Time	10 – 15 minutes. Practising letter sounds. You can watch or play an activity on line or make flash cards.
Writing	Practise letter formation and carry out one of the suggested activities for your child.
Break time	
Maths	Carry out an activity or play game related to the maths focus.
Lunch	
Reading (about 20 mins)	
creative/ topic based	Fun creative / topic based learning.

For more advice, please see <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-51959957>

We will continue to add additional resources on the website that will help you at home.

Please remember that your well being and that of your child is the most important thing so please don't worry if you are unable to carry out all the activities that have been suggested. These are here as a guide to help you.