

Primary online resources

Suitable for everyone

While the Scouts normally advocate the great outdoors, this is a collection of great ideas that can be done at home. You can create a tornado in a teacup, a catapult out of lolly sticks or maybe try a leaf collage of an animal.

www.scouts.org.uk/the-great-indoors

Home learning packs are available for all Key Stages which are free to download during the school closures. Teacher written worksheets and activities to support all aspects of the curriculum.

www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/covid19-school-closures

Andy's Wild Work outs are a more accessible exercise for those children who find the Joe Wicks ones a bit too much for them

www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p06tmmvz

School curriculum-linked resources available for home learning, with no registration. Resources cover English, Physical Activity, Health and Wellbeing and Maths for Key Stage 1 and 2. (ear-olds), with fun activities to keep children active and learning at home.

<https://plprimarystars.com/news/home-learning-activities-school-closures>

Candice Brown gives live cooking lessons for children at 2pm on Wednesdays. Great fun to cook along and share the results with the rest of the family

www.instagram.com/candicebrown/

Google view animals in 3D inside your own home. This is a big trend at the moment for some light heartened fun at home. Here are some easy to follow instructions on how to do it if you haven't yet joined in.

1. Launch the browser on your smartphone
2. Head to Google and search for an animal of your choice
3. In the knowledge panel that appears at the top of search results scroll down to the section that invites you to meet a life-sized version of that animal up close
4. Tap 'View in 3D'
5. Tap 'View in your space' to launch your phone camera
6. If this is your first time trying the AR animals feature, tap Give access, then allow the prompt to 'allow Google permission to access photos, media and files on your device'
7. You will be instructed to point your phone camera to the ground to give the app an idea of the space available
8. The animal should then appear in front of you in augmented reality

If you do not see an option to 'View in your Space', download and install or update Google Lens.

If you're after a moment of music and entertainment, then try listening to David Walliams' Marvellous Musical Podcast covering a wide range of musical themes from Mozart to Weird Instruments produced by Classic FM

www.globalplayer.com/podcasts/42KqAd/

Whizz Pop Bang is a kid's science magazine and have released free resources for doing science experiments at home and science reading comprehension. There are lots of things across to try across all primary ages with no need to subscribe to use them

www.whizzpopbang.com/free-resources/

Supporting reading and Literacy

The brilliant Michael Rosen can be enjoyed virtually through his channel on You Tube, with videos of him performing stories, poems and jokes. If you then want to do some learning activities around Michael's poetry, then try the other links to free downloadable resources
www.youtube.com/channel/UC7D-mXO4kk-XWvH6IBXdrPw
<https://resource-bank.scholastic.co.uk/resources/390681>
www.tes.com/teaching-resource/michael-rosen-learning-resources-6321579
www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/childrens-laureate/former-laureates/michael-rosen/poetry-resources-and-ideas-for-teachers/

Free audiobooks for children from audible. They are put into age groups and contain a slightly random mixture of titles but do include some classic favourites such as Beatrix Potter and White Fang as well as a few more up to date books such as Kid Normal.
<https://stories.audible.com/discovery>

Words for life is the National Literacy Trust's website for parents. It has lots of fun activities, suggestions on things you can do together to support literacy and tips from top authors.
www.wordsforlife.org.uk/

Local author and illustrator Alex T. Smith is doing his bit to help with his brilliantly madcap story starters on Twitter. A great way to get the creative juices flowing and if writing is not your thing then why not create your story with just pictures.
https://twitter.com/alex_t_smith?lang=en

Fiction Express have made their site free for the next 3 months. Every half term 3 books are published on the website in weekly chapters. The children can then vote on where the plot goes next and the author writes the most popular choice as the next chapter.
<https://en.fictionexpress.com/coronavirus/>

Nursery/Reception

Hungry Little Minds website has simple fun reading, playing and talking activities for little ones from newborn to age 5.
<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

This is an informative website from a specialist speech and language therapist that offers a free video blog which gives you activities and advice on how to support your child's speech, language and communication skills. During the Covid-19 crisis she is offering her online course on a pay what you can basis to help families who have had their therapy appointments postponed or cancelled.
www.saltbythesea.com
www.saltbythesea.com/online-support-package/

Free access to selected phonics games and teaching ideas to use at home.
<https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources>

Years 1-2

If you enjoyed listening to Oliver Jeffers reading his books last week then why not try the puzzles, colouring and craft activities that you can do based on his books
www.oliverjeffersworld.com

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If you are learning about life under the sea, then why not look at the live web cams from the Georgia Aquarium showing such sea creatures as Beluga Whales, Jellyfish and Southern Sea Otters.

www.georgiaaquarium.org/webcam/beluga-whale-webcam/

This Virtual Farm Walk gives children the chance to understand what happens in the countryside to produce food and care for wildlife. There are also Get Busy sheets to download so that you can continue the learning offline

www.virtualfarmwalk.org/walk.html

Years 3-4

At 4pm each day Ben Fogle shares stories of adventure and the wilderness on You Tube and Instagram. Children can leave their own questions at #askben

<https://www.instagram.com/benfogle/>

The Science Toy Maker presents mysterious, kinetic, noisy, DIY science projects that invite scientific investigation.

<https://sciencetoymaker.org/>

Want to try coding your own games or animations from home then why not check out the free resources available from Scratch, it has easy to follow tutorials to get you started

<https://scratch.mit.edu/>

Years 5-6

Everyday at 11am you can listen to one of David Walliam's World's Worst Children Stories for 20 minutes of fun.

www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/

Children's classic books such as Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan and the Railway Children which are free to read or listen to

www.researchify.co.uk/audiobooks.html

Find out more about Charles Darwin and Evolution by taking a look at these resources.

www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/science/general-science/charles-darwin-and-the-mystery-of-life/

www.puffinschools.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Puffin-Schools-KS2-Resource-Pack-Origin-Of-Species-STEAM.pdf

www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/2L3mmGh5hjbpxXBH1PPbd0y/charles-darwin-evolution-and-natural-selection

