

Ideas for things to do while you are not in school

If you are self-isolating, here are some ideas of things to do that will help you keep up with your learning.

The current topics (Spring 2) for pupils at **Catshill First School & Nursery** are:

Nursery	Amazing Animals (animals around the world)
Reception	Down on the Farm (farm animals)
Year 1	All Creatures Great and Small (domestic and wild animals)
Year 2	Land Ahoy! (all about pirates)
Year 3	Scrumdiddlyumptious (food)
Year 4	Traders and Raiders (Vikings and Anglo Saxons)

Please look on the school website for topic maps giving more details (letters home 14/2/20).

Please aim to do at least 1 maths activity and 1 English activity every day.

The following ideas can be linked to any topic and will help you to keep up with school work:

- Read every day
- Practice your maths
- Use the internet to find out more about your topic
- Write some questions that you have - can you email them to your friends at school?
- Make a poster to do with your topic
- Write a letter to your friend telling them about your day/your topic/your interests
- Bake something tasty
- Write a book review
- Make up a poem/rhyme/song that links to your topic
- Draw or paint a picture
- Tidy your bedroom
- Sort out your old toys for charity (or school)
- Make a treasure hunt
- Write something for every letter of the alphabet that links to your topic - can you make it into a glossary for a non-fiction book?
- Make a scene from salt dough, plasticine or playdough
- Create something to do with your topic from old boxes and other recycled goods
- Make a vlog about your topic
- Learn a new creative hobby such as knitting or sewing
- Make one of your old toys into something new
- Play a board game (or make one)

Education Websites and Apps to Use at Home

ENGLISH

<https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x2wpdvv>

Jolly Phonics songs in order

<https://www.youtube.com/user/breakthruChris/videos>

Geraldine the Giraffe is famous for helping children with phonics. Mr Thorne also has videos linked to spelling and grammar.

www.phonicsbloom.com

Phonics games and resources linked to the phase your child is working at. The majority of Year 1 children are working on Phase 5 and the majority of Reception children are working on Phase 2 and 3.

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

as above, games linked to the sounds and tricky words that your children are learning in class.

Year 2 also use www.spellingplay.co.uk

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/3-5-years/letters-and-sounds>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>

English games on Top Marks include phonics, reading and writing strategies.

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

Lots of reading activities linked to Oxford Reading Tree.

<https://readtheory.org/auth/login>

KS2 pupils have login details for this resource.

Teach Your Monster to Read is an app for phone or tablet. Your child can play games to help with reading. Difficulty of the games increases to suit your child's ability. Great for phonics and comprehension (currently £4.99 but often on a free offer).

MATHS

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/ordering-and-sequencing-numbers>

Maths games that the children use in lessons too. Try 'Hit the Button' to practice doubles or number bonds with a time limit!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVcQH8A634mauPrGbWs7QIQ>

Jack Hartmann videos are fun songs often linked to Maths. (American pronunciation)

Pupils in KS2 have login details for TT Rockstars. Please use this to develop quick recall of multiplication facts.

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

<https://www.ictgames.com/> English and Maths games

WIDER CURRICULUM

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/collections/primary-games/1>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

BBC Bitesize has a wide range of educational resources to link with topics.

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/>

A wide range of activities, games and

information linked to English, Maths and topics

Google Expeditions is a free app with 3D images of places and objects of interest around the world

Mozaik3D is an app for phone or tablet with interactive 3D scenes related to history. (free with paid upgrade option)

GarageBand is currently only available on iPad and iPhone. Create your own music or edit someone else's! (free)

PE/WEELLBEING

<https://www.cosmickids.com/category/watch/>

Cosmic Kids yoga videos can be accessed

via YouTube on TV or tablet. They are engaging and you can all join in with the actions.

<https://family.gonoodle.com/>

Go Noodle videos have songs and actions for the whole family to join in with.