

# Ideas for home learning- Year 2

Dear Parents,

Please find below a selection of activities you could use to keep the children busy whilst you are at home. We have tried to include a range of activities for you, including some that do not need computer access. Please feel free to add any extra activities that you feel are appropriate. We welcome any Twitter mentions to share your learning.

Take care-

Mrs Barker, Miss Bell and Mrs Hewitt 😊

## PSHE and Wellbeing

Yoga for Kids, this is a free 25 minute session:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X655B4ISakg>

Lots of free aerobic activities:

<https://www.jumpstartjonny.co.uk/home>

Meditation and breathing exercises- we use this website in school: [www.calm.com](http://www.calm.com)

Make gratitude diaries showing little things you are thankful for each day.

Peer massage- create a family massage based on any given theme! We use an animal themed one in school.

Discuss random acts of kindness and plan any acts that may cheer up a loved one.

Learn to tie shoe laces.

## Literacy

Read and explore a wide selection of books including non-fiction books, children's newspapers, magazines and write book review to recommend to a friend.

Oxford Reading Buddy - extracts and comprehension questions

Have a family guided reading session.

Compose an email to a relative or friend.

Using a book that they have enjoyed, children to design their own front cover; book review; write their own ending; draw a picture of their favourite scene; write a letter to one of the characters.

Write your own version of 'The Great Explorer' by Chris Judge (we have been reading this story at school).

Read a story aloud to a relative through Skype.

## Maths

Time Table Rockstars

Give me five style questions - each of the five operations, e.g.

$$23 + 42 = \quad 51 - 17 = \quad 6 \times 5 = \quad 35 \div 5 = \quad \text{1 quarter of 12 is:}$$

Practise telling the time - analogue clock (o'clock, half past, quarter to, quarter past and 5-minute intervals)

Go on a 3D shape hunt around the house - what different shapes can you spot? Can you count the faces, vertices and edges?

<https://nrichmaths.org/9084> - Age appropriate maths activities.

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## Science

Conduct a bird watch from the window and draw pictures of all the birds/wildlife you can see- present findings in a tally chart and bar chart.

Have an experiment to see who is the fastest at doing something in your house, e.g. who is fastest at doing ten star jumps. Use a timer and record the findings.

Design a healthy meal, thinking about the different food groups.

Create fact files of favourite animals within your family, consider how everyone's favourite animals are specially adapted to live in their habitat.

## Place and Time

Research a significant person and make a poster of the facts you have found; draw a portrait of them; write a diary in role as them; write a letter to them saying thank you for what they have done. The BBC website has some good information. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf49q6f>

Give the children a list of countries to locate on a map/atlas/globe/ Google Earth.

## Useful apps and websites

Book Creator App (this is a paid app) - the children love using this in school and could use it at home to make their own books about a country of their choice, a significant person, a gratitude diary, all about them etc.

Twinkl website [www.twinkl.co.uk/offer](http://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer) then enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS - this website has lots of resources and worksheets that can be used at home for children in Year 2.

## *How we usually structure our school day in Year 2:*

8.50-9.00: Handwriting; 9.00-9.15: Phonics; 9.15-10.15: Literacy; 10.15-10.30- Mental maths; 10.30-10.45: Playtime; 10.45-11.50: Maths; 11.50-12.50: Lunch; 12.50-1.10: Whole class reading; 1.10-2.00: Foundation subject; 2.00-2.10: Occasional play time; 2.10-2.55: Foundation subject; 2.55-3.15: Assembly.

Maybe you could create your own timetable for the day at home.

## Year 2 Common Exception Words

door	floor	poor	because
find	kind	mind	behind
gold	hold	told	every
great	break	steak	pretty
beautiful	after	fast	last
past	father	class	grass
pass	child	children	wild
wild	climb	most	only
both	old	cold	plant
path	bath	hour	move
prove	improve	sure	sugar
eye	could	should	would
who	whole	any	many
busy	people	water	again
half	money	Mr	Mrs
parents	Christmas	everybody	even