

Dear Parents/Carers,

Arrangements for Home Learning

I am pleased to inform you that the Class Blogs on our school website www.queensgate.stockport.sch.uk (Classes/ Blog items) have been updated and are now ready to be accessed by the children whilst the school is closed. These activities are aimed at consolidating and revisiting prior learning that has already been completed in school; they cannot replicate the quality learning experiences the school routinely provides.

If your child is in **Nursery/ Reception** you will find a list on their Class Blog with a range of recommended learning activities for you to complete alongside your child. The learning activities will be updated at the start of every week (Monday) and will include Sounds/ Tricky words/ Numbers of the week to be recapped. Each week we will specify an area of learning for you to focus on with your child at home and we would appreciate it if you could upload any photographs or comments onto the Interactive Learning Diary.

If your child is in **Year 1 – Year 6** you will find 3 Maths, 3 English activities and 1 topic related activity for completion. These activities will mostly be open-ended, self-led activities that pupils can complete with minimal supervision, similar to the normal home learning tasks. The learning activities will be updated at the start of every week (Monday).

If your child is one of our **Resource** learners, Mrs Rayner will contact you directly via email to explain the resources that would be most appropriate for your child to access at home.

We would recommend that all our children continue to read regularly at home as we know that this makes such a difference. This could be their school/ Library book, any other reading material or the free eBooks from Oxford Reading Tree (see overleaf). Unfortunately, it is not going to be practical to send home multiple reading books; as we do not know how long we are going to be closed for, nor will we have the facility to change the books.

In addition, we are fortunate that the children are accustomed to accessing a number of online resources at home. These website are:

- Education City <https://www.educationcity.com/> (Reception – Year 2 children)
- Times tables Rockstars <https://trockstars.com/login> (Year 2 – Year 6)
- Spelling Shed <https://www.spellingshed.com/> (Year 1 - Year 6)

User names and passwords for these websites can be found in the back of your child's Reading Diary/ Planner.

We have also been informed that Twinkl is offering every parent/ carer free access to a wide range of resources. In order to access this, go to www.twinkl.co.uk/offer and enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS.

If you have specific questions relating to the learning on your child's Class Page, please email admin@queensgate.stockport.sch.uk and add your child's class into the subject line. This will be forwarded to your child's class teacher and a reply sent via the admin email address. I do ask however, that you bear in mind that many of our staff team have young families, dependants or may become unwell themselves. We will do our very best to balance supporting our school community, as well as the needs of our own families.

We do know that every family's circumstances will be unique and will be facing different challenges. Therefore, we do not expect the home learning activities to be returned to school; they are designed to support those families that feel able to undertake these activities at home.

We have made these plans using the best information currently available and will continue to review these arrangements. Thank you for your on-going support in these unprecedented times. Please look after yourselves and your loved ones.

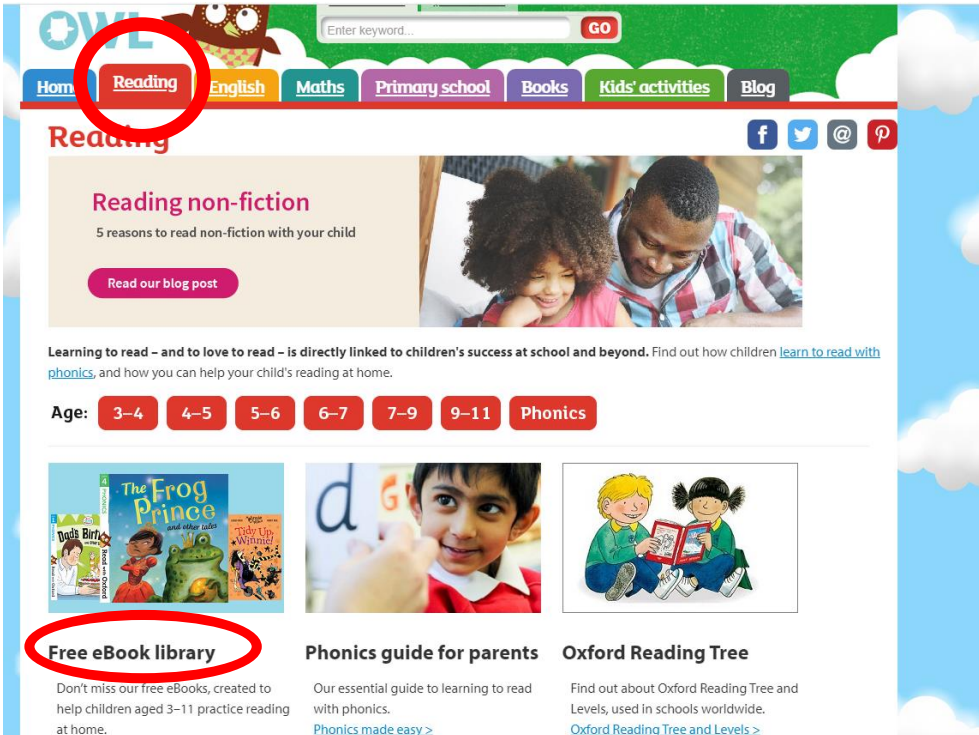
Kind regards,



Mrs Hitchcock
Headteacher

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- Go on the **Oxford Reading Tree website**: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home>
- **Create a home log in.**



- Once logged in, click on the 'Reading' tab and then select 'Free ebook library' (see image below)

