

Please use the following websites to support your child's development and progress during school closures:

- Phonics play – This is a great resource that we use in school and therefore the children are familiar with. The new website has been designed to work on both computers, mobiles and tablets! The website has kindly given everyone the username and password so that children and parents have full access to games and resources! <https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/>
- Phonic Bloom – This is another great resource covering phonics games from phase 1 – 5. We haven't used this one in school before and therefore children may need some support at first. Games I suggest for to support with blending are 'Alien Escape' and 'Yeti Yes/No'. <https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-3>
- Top marks is a great website for number learning. There are loads of different options to choose from in the EYFS section. <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>
- Twinkl is a great resource used by lots of teachers across the country! They have fabulously made more resources free for your child to use. Please feel free to browse through the EYFS section and print resources you feel would be useful for your child. There is also great interactive games and stories accessible through Twinkl go! <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/covid19-school-closures>
- Geraldine Giraffe does phonics – the children love watching Geraldine learn new sounds. The videos are all available for free on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/user/breakthruChris>
- We also love learning our tricky words through various songs on YouTube. This is a great song the children know. A good activity is to listen to the song, pausing to practise writing each of the tricky words. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R087lYrRpgY>

It is also important to keep our body moving and finding ways to have good mental health. Here are some good resources to use for exercising and keeping our mind healthy whilst being at home:

- Cosmic Kids Yoga – yoga and mindfulness for kids! The children love following the yoga poses during PE at school and there are loads of different yoga stories to choose from as well as guided relaxations and brain breaks! Please visit the YouTube page to find out more. <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>
- Joe Wicks is providing daily fun PE lessons for kids through his YouTube channel. Check out his social media and YouTube page for more information! <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>
- Count to 100 with Jack Hartman – A great way of joining counting and exercise together – the children love doing this! Make sure they are counting too! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0TgLf3PMOc>
- This website suggests a few different ways to practise mindfulness at home: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/joinin/seven-techniques-for-helping-kids-keep-calm>

Stay safe!