**Year 3**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Below is a list of online resources that may be useful for supporting learning at home during this period of school closures. It’s certainly not exhaustive and you may find other useful ones – please do share any ideas with other families.

You will know best what is going to work for your child during this time. It may be really useful to develop a loose timetable for the day/week that builds in some learning time, movement, fresh air and ‘special’ activities like cooking or baking together, scavenger hunts, etc. I’m sure it will take a bit of trial and error to find exactly what works.

**Edmodo – Year 3 class blog**

I have started a class blog using a platform called Edmodo. I thought this would be a nice way for us all to communicate safely during this time. I can post discussion topics, photos, links etc. that might help to keep the children engaged in their learning at home. I won’t be setting any specific work via the blog; it’s really just for fun and staying in touch.

Student access:

1. Visit edmodo.com using a smartphone, tablet or computer
2. Click or tap on ‘Get started as a Student’
3. Follow the instructions on the screen and use the class code: **xq4rff**

Parent access:

1. Visit edmodo.com using a smartphone, tablet or computer
2. Click or tap on ‘Get started as a Parent’
3. Follow the instructions to create an account
4. When prompted, enter your child’s class close: **xq4rff**

**Doodle Maths and Doodle English**

The children are very familiar with these apps and should be using them daily. They will be very useful in maintaining basic Maths and English skills.

**Purple Mash**

Students have log-ins in their Records Records. Once on the website, you need to click ‘Find my school’s login page’ and search for St Edmunds by entering the postcode: E14 3RS. Click on our school and then enter details. I reminded the children about how this website works last week and we searched for different resources that related to our topic.

**Discovery Education Espresso**

Login to the ‘Espresso’ section with the codes:

username: student20648

password: edmund

Again, a useful website for exploring topic-related information, videos and activities. It has dedicated areas for each subject in the curriculum. It will be really simple for the children to navigate themselves.

**London Grid for Learning**

This website contains lots of resources, covering a wide range of topics. If your child does not have a log-in, please call the school and they can give it to you.

**Twinkl**

Twinkl are currently offering free access to parents for a month. There are a vast number of resources here that are aligned to the National Curriculum. Many are in PDF form so you can download in bulk and keep them beyond the trial period. Visit [www.twinkl.co.uk/offer](http://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer) and enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS

**White Rose Maths**

White Rose have started adding video lessons for each year group in the ‘Home Learning’ section. They plan to add more each week to support families at home. They have suggested allowing 20-30 minutes for each session and not to do more than one a day.

**Oxford Owl**

This website has a library of e-books. It will be so important to continue reading every day, so if you are finding it hard to access physical books, give it a try. Click ‘My class login’ and use codes:

username: edmund3

password: edmund

**BBC Bitesize**

A free website with lots of great resources. The children should access materials in the KS2 area.

**BBC Newsround**

This is an age-appropriate news website for children. Although they do consult with experts on the topics they present, if you are trying to limit exposure to COVID-19 related news, you might like to watch it alone first. There are often lots of ‘good news’ clips on this site too.

**Children’s movement YouTube channels and websites**

**GoNoodle** – It should be fairly straightforward to set up an account on this and the children love it!

**YouTube – Cosmic Kids Yoga** – I think this is one of the best children’s movement channels. She also does some relaxation videos which might be useful.

**YouTube - The Body Coach TV –** This fitness instructor will be posting a live PE lesson every weekday morning at 9am.

**Art/creative time**

The children really enjoy some of the guided drawing and origami videos that can be found on YouTube. One very popular channel is Art for Kids Hub on YouTube.

*Please remember that not all YouTube channels moderate their comments. It might be worth downloading the YouTube Kids app where comments are disabled and only appropriate material is listed.*