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Home Learning Guide



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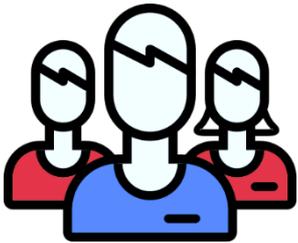
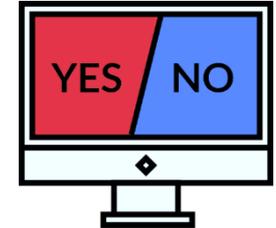


Be heard.

Welcome to VotesforSchools!



Each week, VotesforSchools provides lessons to pupils all over the country, asking them about the issues they care about. Their votes are recorded and sent out to charities, organisations & decision-makers to help make a difference.



This doesn't stop while schools are closed either. Until things go back to normal, we'll be making this weekly guide to help you and your families learn at home! This week, your pack includes:

1 Top tips for learning at home

2 Taking your VotePack further

3 Learning every subject

Questions or suggestions? Get in touch on social media @votesforschools!



1 Top tips for learning at home



Learning from home can be difficult for everyone in the family, but we've got some top tips to keep you on track for the next few weeks.

1 If you haven't already, **create a timetable** showing everybody when you will be working and when you will take breaks.

Day	9am	10am	11am
Monday	PE	Maths	Snack break
Tuesday	History	Art	Snack break



Geography



History



Science



PSHE



Music



Art

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Reading, writing and Maths are important, but **don't forget about the other subjects** too! Can you include these subjects in your timetable? There are some ideas for how you can keep learning these subjects on pages 8-12.

Religious Education (RE)



Physical Education (PE)

1 Top tips for learning at home



3 Sometimes, you might **spend a long time on one subject and not enough time on another**. Or, you might spend some **time teaching yourself to do other things**, like cooking or cleaning.

Remember, this all still counts as learning!

4 Working on your own can get quite lonely, so **make sure you spend some time with your family too**.



You could ask someone to **do a lesson with you**, or make sure you **talk to someone when you're having a break!**



5 Just because you're not at school doesn't mean you can't learn with friends...

Ask an adult to set up a video call with one of your classmates, so you can work together. Two brains are better than one!

2 Taking your VotePack further

Make a list!

Start your home learning journey by making a list of all the things you would like to learn while you're at home. You can use some of the ideas on this page and add your own!

In your VotesforSchools lesson this week you will be discussing whether you can learn more without a classroom. **Use the ideas on the next few pages to put this idea to the test!**

Learn a new skill,
like tying shoelaces
or juggling



Grow your own plant, or help with the **gardening**



Go through your toys and give some to **charity**



Help an adult to cook a meal



Teach your pet to do a trick



For the whole family!

Ask everyone in your house to make a list too. Is there anything on your lists that are the same? You could do them together!

2 Taking your VotePack further



Practise your art skills by choosing something outside to draw

Use a cup of water and a paintbrush to **write and answer Maths questions on a wall outside**



Ask an adult if you can **help gardening**. You'll be surprised how much you learn!



Create a **treasure list** of all the things you think are outside, then, **see if you can find them all**

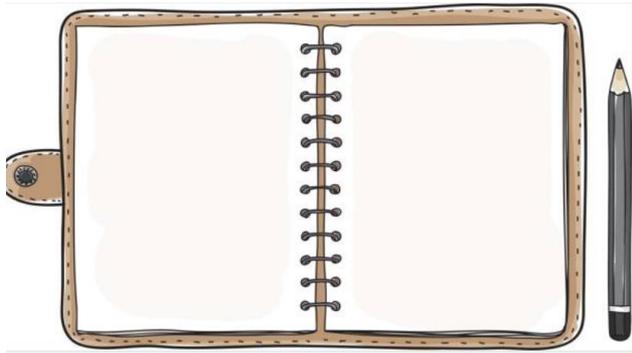


Using only outside materials, **how many different shapes** can you make?



Staying indoors? Try the next activity instead.

2 Taking your VotePack further



Keep a diary

Having to stay at home is a new experience for everybody, and scientists will be studying how it affected people for many years. **Why not write your experiences in a diary? You could make history!**

Challenge:

Use a dictionary (a book or online) to check your spellings!

Write it out!

It can be hard not seeing your friends and family, but writing can make you feel much better! Why not try one of these activities?



Write a letter

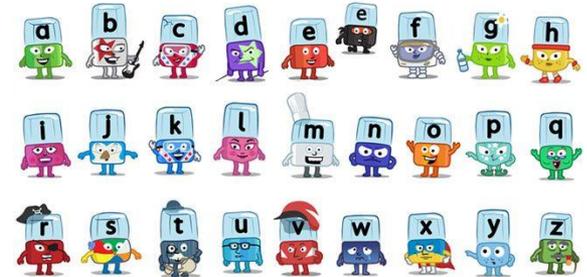
Is there somebody that you are missing? Or someone you would like to talk to? **Why not write them a letter?** It could be handwritten, emailed or even texted!

Learning every subject

Parents: wondering how to teach all the different subjects? On the next few pages you will find links to various online platforms offering **free lessons, games and videos for every subject**. We'll update these each week to help keep learning on track!

Phonics

For pupils in KS1, the curriculum recommends 20 minutes of phonics practise a day. CBeebies have a variety of videos that you can use at home. **Click here to see a guide on how to use the videos, and click the image for the episodes!**



Reading

Older children are likely to be reading a range of instructions and information online each day. If they're in need of a break, you could try listening to **a free audiobook** from World Book Day. **Click the image** to see their selection!

Writing

Spellings and school work will likely keep your child practising their writing skills, but if you're looking for **grammar lessons**, click the image to **try a range of games from Top Marks**.



Recommended time: **1 hour per day**

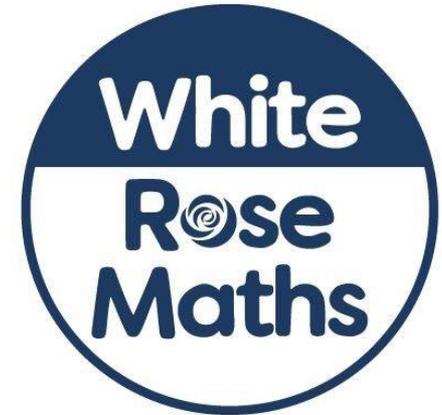
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Mathematics

White Rose Maths provides free resources to many schools, and are now making these home-friendly. Each week, they will upload **five lessons** that you can do from home, including **videos & interactive questions** for children in every year group. **Click the image for this week's lessons.**

Recommended time: **1 hour per day**



Playable on phones, laptops and tablets, **Hit the Button** allows your child to practise **number bonds, times tables and doubling and halving** quickly and easily. Click the image to try it out!

Science

Everything from gardening to seeing how food is cooked is a type of Science that you can do at home! However, if you're looking for some more interesting facts, **click the image for some great videos!**

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**



Learning every subject

History



Loved by children and teachers alike, **you can stream Horrible Histories on BBC iPlayer.** After each episode, **create a leaflet** that explains what life was like at different times through history.

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**

Geography

You can learn lots about the world just by watching TV! **Click the image to watch an episode of Planet Earth.** For a challenge, keep a note of all the countries that you see in each episode.

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**



Computing



Learning how to type can help you in many ways – from completing homework faster to sending a message in a hurry! **Click the image** (or follow the link in the notes section) **to learn for free.**

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**

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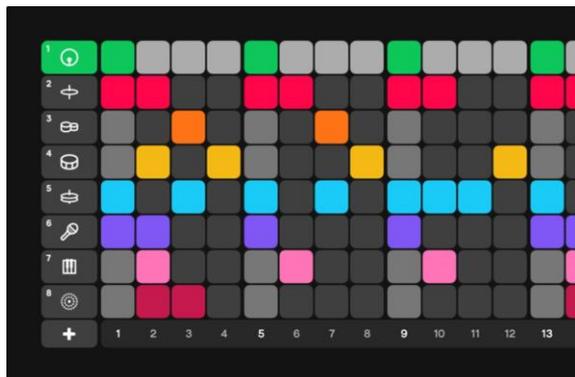
Religious
Education (RE)

A good starting place would be to **ask your child which religions they already know about**. You can then learn more together by watching **BBC RE Class clips** and **discussing them as a family**.

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**



Music



Ever wanted to make your own music? Now you can! **Splice Sounds lets you create your own tracks**, just by clicking the coloured squares. **Click the image to try it out**.

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**

Physical
Education (PE)

At **9am every day**, Joe Wicks (a.k.a. The Body Coach) is holding a **30-minute PE lesson** for children and adults of all ages. **Click the image to go to his YouTube channel** and get started!

Recommended time: **2 hours per week**



Learning every subject

Modern Languages

There are many free apps for learning different languages! For **French and Spanish**, **Duolingo Kids** provides games to help learning. **Click the image** to see it in the App Store.



Recommended time: **1 hour per week**

PSHE



Being online is more important now than ever. **Interland**, created by Google, teaches children how to **stay safe online** through a set of games. **Click to image to play.**

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**

Art

Art doesn't just mean drawing and painting! You could try **mending a broken toy**, **learning to knit** or even **making your room tidy**. If you're really stuck for ideas, **click the image to watch some videos!**

Recommended time: **1 hour per week**

