

Useful Websites

I have put together a list of useful websites that offer a great number of games, activities, songs, stories and videos to support and develop your child's learning, there are sites suitable for both Pre-School and Reception children. Have a look through the websites to find the best resources available for your children; there are some lovely websites for outdoor learning and activities.

<http://www.ictgames.com/> - Visit this website that has many free numeracy and literacy educational games, also suitable for tablets.

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/Early-Years.html> - Free online EYFS educational games. Aimed at 3-5 year olds, teaching initial sounds, colours, compare and order, counting and matching.

<https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/> - A website offering free learning packs to download and use, as well as interactive games online covering Maths, Literacy and Phonics.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3hQnkM4M1bQeW5g99wv3Og/> - Daily videos for your children to join in with and watch, various themes including mindfulness, fitness and science.

www.busythings.co.uk - Excellent site built around the 7 areas of learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage (you can access a free 7day trial but you need to subscribe after this period to access the content).

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies> - Links to particular online games suitable for children 3+, links to EYFS areas of learning. Aim to use their Alphablocks and Numberblocks resources.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories> - Cbeebies stories and rhymes.

Learning outdoors websites

<https://www.naturallylearning.co.uk/50-outdoor-activities-toddlers/> - A wonderful collection of 50 outdoor activities for you and your children to have fun together doing.

<https://creativestarning.co.uk/c/early-years-outdoors/> - This is a great website with a large variety of free Early Years activities for outdoor learning.

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/visiting-woods/things-to-do/> - This website has some lovely ideas for getting closer to nature with your children, it has plenty of ideas to help families enjoy woods such as den building, spotting wildlife and making natural art.

Maths focussed links

<https://nrich.maths.org/13372> - Access to a range of activities to support children's knowledge of number.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting> - Lots of fun and interactive maths games that are tablet friendly.

Literacy and Phonics focussed links

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/> - Phonics Bloom has many interactive phonics games to help teach children the relationship between letters and sounds and develop the skills needed to read and write. This website is great for pre-school and reception children.

http://www.ictgames.com/looCoverWriteCheck/LCWC_demo/index.html - This is a great link for Reception children to practise spelling high frequency and tricky words!

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.htm> - Brilliant site with some free phonics games- children will recognise some games we have already played at school.

Talking to your child about the virus

Save the Children have 7 tips for talking to your child about coronavirus

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/how-you-can-help/emergencies/coronavirus-uk-outbreak-facts#coronavirus>