

# A big hello from all of us again!



Hello everyone,

We would like to thank you for your continuing support in these really challenging times. We are hoping to see everyone back in school fit and well. But we do know that this may not always be the case and members of our school community may have to self isolate at anytime or there may be school closures again so we have been preparing our individualised learning packs again for students.

The packs include the equivalent of 2 weeks of lessons that build on and consolidates work that is being covered in school. So, if your child is in KS3 there will be 2 lessons of French or 5 lessons of Maths for example. If they are in KS4 they will have their option subjects which may be 3 lessons of Art or BTEC Sport alongside their other subjects.

We hope that the learning packs give your child and yourselves more flexibility rather than remote learning via Teams for example as you may not have the WiFi capacity needed or a device for your child to work off.

We are always happy to look at different options with you if it is feasible, just speak to your child's tutor who will be in touch regularly should they be off from school with a COVID related absence or due to school closure and will be your first point of contact.

There is still work on the Curriculum areas of our website and If you click on the Curriculum tab each subject has their own area and you will find the following for each subject. This is the English / Literacy example from Mrs Boothman.

There is already a Home Learning section on it with high frequency words, subject words and website links.

## **Website: Twinkl**

Twinkl - a fantastic website ranging from early years and learning to read all the way to GCSE English Language. This website covers a lot of subjects such as English/Literacy, Humanities and PHSE. They have a vast array of excellent resources for anyone still learning to read and write. <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/sign-up> This link will take you to their free sign-up page.

## **Website: Phonic Play**

PhonicsPlay - a great website for all things phonics for those learning to read or those still learning different words. <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> There is a free to use username of: march20 and a password of home.

**Website / area: GCSE English**

The GCSE English Language examination board we use are called WJEC/Eduqas – they have some great free resources for KS3 and KS4 students. <https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/>

**Website: BBC Bitesize**

BBC Bitesize has some great resources and covers all subjects including English, Literacy and Phonics. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize> They cater for all students from Age 3 to 16 plus.

**Other learning activities you could do with your child****Youtube:**

Kidz vs Phonics. Your child may know this from the 'pea in the sea' song. These video resources help with phonics – breaking words down, sounding out and blending.

Jack Hartman Kids Music Channel – your child may know this from digraphs such as the 'sh' song and various other songs. He is great for those still learning to read where he sings songs your child can join in with.

Hello Carrie – again, this site has a lot of phonics where your child could sing along and join in with the sounds and sounding/blending.

Alphablocks – if your child is still learning to read then you may be familiar with Alphablocks.

Maintaining a routine is also really important for all of us so we have included a typical weeks' timetable and a blank one for you to use as well. We hope that will help.

When your child comes back to school please remind them to bring the learning pack back so that it can be marked and teachers can provide them with feedback on their progress and next steps.

As always, we are here to support you and your families so please keep in touch – check out the website for any latest update. We have a COVID 19 tab on our Information page now so that everything is in one place and we can share our learning and achievements at Brook Green with you on our News page.

Sara and Team BGCFL