

Resources to support home learning in English



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This document is a suggestion of ideas that you may find helpful in supporting your child/ren. It is not exhaustive and is not essential. If you have a resource you've found to be helpful please inform your class teacher and we can add it to the list.

If you have any questions, please ask us, in person or by email to the school office.

Thank you

Manipulatives (manipulatives are relevant at all ages and stages.)

High frequency flashcards

Year group statutory curriculum words (flash cards to practise)

Dictionary and thesaurus

Small whiteboard and pen

Espresso

English sections for grammar videos and activities

<https://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/login/eha/?service=espresso>

Pupils can now login into Espresso from home using this login:

Espresso login: [student28980](#) password: [stmary](#)

Click login and select Espresso and then enter the login details.

IXL have separate pages of skills linked to individual Year group. The Y6 page has links to practise both English and Maths skills. Pages are then split into skills of which has a practise question for the children to think about.

https://uk.ixl.com/promo?partner=google&campaign=1187&adGroup=Key+Stage+2&gclid=CPPa8teS_8kCFQbnwgo dgOIB6A

A range of English games and activities

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

A range of activities and games to practise a range of spelling rules and patterns.

<http://www.spellzone.com/games/index.cfm?wordlist=2255>

Spelling and grammar support

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>

Spelling support <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhrd2p>

Spelling rules <https://spellingframe.co.uk/>

Reading websites

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zs44jxs> Overview of the comprehension skills

Pobble 365 - Picture comprehension

<https://www.pobble365.com/>

Kate Greenaway Medal and Carnegie Medal

<http://www.carnegiegreenaway.org.uk/home/index.php>

Book Trust - amazing site, book lists under categories, e.g. authors from different cultures, graphic novels, books about themes, e.g. love, environment, books featuring characters with disabilities, books for children with autism etc.

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/children/booklists/>

'Books We Like'

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/children/books-welike/>

Best Book Guide

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/children/best-bookguide>

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/> E-books for free

Apps

Free apps

Apps to pay

Grammaropolis, £5.99, [Apple](#) and Android

Grammar Express: Tenses, £4.99,

Other

Adjective brainstorming e.g. how many adjectives can you think of to describe a lion?

Spot the adjectives or other word classes as you read

Synonyms

Antonyms