# Dear Year 3,

I hope you are all well and have made the best of your week at home so far during this very strange and unusual time. I also hope you have managed to find a good balance each day by working hard on your learning packs, helping the adults at home as much as you can and of course having time to relax and have fun.

I know that having most of your day at home and trying to learn in the same place that you live can be tricky – this is new for lots of people. I find it helps to write down a routine for my day each morning and try to stick to it the best I can. I also like to have a set space where I do my work and have short breaks between each task.

In a very short space of time there has been a huge number of people putting some great new websites and videos together to help children all over the world with their home learning. I am writing to you to share some great resources that are out there (many of which you may have already found yourself!)

You may want to include some of these in your day as well as your learning packs (and of course finding good books to read!)

I am missing finding out what you are all doing at home and I'm hoping that you can share with me what you have been up to. If you would like to, you can ask an adult for help and send me an email to share what you have been doing.

I miss you all and look forward to seeing you when we are all back in school.

Mr Oxenham

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are doing well and I'm sure you are very busy! I have pulled together more resources for the children to access. However, this is not to pressure you into feeling that the previous pack should be complete! This is just a selection of resources that you may or may not be aware of and some new learning available.

During these difficult times, many online sites and apps are becoming readily available to support parents and children. Below are some, which I think will be most beneficial.

If there is anything I can help with please don't hesitate to get in touch. As a reminder, my email address is <a href="mailto:toxenham@stclement.sch.ie">t.oxenham@stclement.sch.ie</a>

Stay safe and well,

Tom Oxenham

## **General**

**BBC** Bitesize:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn

BBC Teach:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks2/zvh3jhv

**BBC** Live Lessons:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/primary-live-lessons/zmc9jhv

#### **Maths**

Carol Vorderman's popular site 'The Maths Factor' is now free whilst children are not at school. There are daily challenges and games to play. <a href="https://www.themathsfactor.com">https://www.themathsfactor.com</a>

Online lessons provided by Gareth Metcalfe from I see Maths - <a href="http://www.iseemaths.com/home-lessons/">http://www.iseemaths.com/home-lessons/</a>. Lessons are uploaded and at the bottom of the page you are able to access previous videos.

The Khan Academy has useful resources and has a schedule for home learning, which may be useful to you also. <a href="https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-2nd-grade-math">https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-2nd-grade-math</a>

The White Rose Maths Team has prepared a series of five maths lessons for each year group from Year 1-8. They will be adding five more each week for the next few weeks. Every lesson comes with a short video showing you clearly and simply how to help your child to complete the activity successfully. https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/

Cars Maths in Motion is now available for students to log on individually for **free** from home.

It provides practical problem solving in a realistic setting of F1 motor racing. <a href="https://www.mathsinmotion.com">www.mathsinmotion.com</a>

Email <a href="mailto:info@mathsinmotion.com">info@mathsinmotion.com</a> for registrations

# **English**

As loans from the library are unable to be obtained in person, you can borrow items with the help of an app. 'Libby (by overdrive)' can be linked to the States of Jersey library and by using your library card number you are able to borrow books.

Many authors are reading books aloud for children and one is David Walliams. Everyday David is reading a story from his book 'The World's Worst Children.' <a href="https://soundcloud.com/harpercollinspublishers/the-worlds-worst-children-by/s-dgoZWNyMFFq">https://soundcloud.com/harpercollinspublishers/the-worlds-worst-children-by/s-dgoZWNyMFFq</a>

Amazon is also allowing children's books to be heard for free during school closures. <a href="https://stories.audible.com/start-listen?ref=adbl">https://stories.audible.com/start-listen?ref=adbl</a> ent anon ds hm hb

Oxford Owl e-book library: <a href="https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/">https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/</a>

The National Literacy Trust has launched 'Family Zone', which is a free website where parents can go to get ideas for engaging activities that will help their children's reading, writing and language development. Choose from audiobooks, live stories with author Steve Antony, and activity sheets based on popular children's books such as *Where's Wally?* For more information visit <a href="literacyfamilyzone.org.uk">literacyfamilyzone.org.uk</a>

Pobble 365 provides a photo a day. There is a story starter, sentences to change and also questions to make you think. What could you write – use your imagination! <a href="http://www.pobble365.com">http://www.pobble365.com</a>

The popular children's author, Tom Palmer, has added some top writing tips. <a href="https://tompalmer.co.uk/writing-tips/">https://tompalmer.co.uk/writing-tips/</a>
There are a number of free resources on his website.

English with Holly videos:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/englishwithhollytutoring/videos/?ref=page internal

English with Holly resources:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/830210224125754/files/

Writing inspiration at The Literacy Shed: <a href="https://www.literacyshed.com/home.html">https://www.literacyshed.com/home.html</a>

#### PE

PE with Joe Wicks every morning at 9am: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyCLoPd4VxBvQafyve889qVcPxYEjdS">https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyCLoPd4VxBvQafyve889qVcPxYEjdS</a> Tl

Cosmic kids yoga - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga">https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga</a>

Just Dance kids -

https://www.youtube.com/results?search\_query=just+dance+kids

# Science / Geography / History

Sporcle is a great site to quiz on! Test you knowledge of many areas – Maybe revisit how many countries you can name. <a href="https://www.sporcle.com">https://www.sporcle.com</a>

National Geographic for children has lots of topics for children to read about. <a href="https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/history/">https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/history/</a> It also has links to Geography and Science.

From Friday 27 March, *The History Guy* **Dan Snow** is doing his first *History Hit Live* with Timeline on YouTube in a daily homeschooling series. Perfect for those inquisitive young minds. Visit <u>youtube.com</u>

Join **Ben Fogle** each day at 4pm for an Instagram Live on a range of fascinated topics about the planet. His latest lesson was all about the ocean, focusing on the Atlantic Row and covering the great sailors and the Vendee Globe. Visit <a href="instagram.com">instagram.com</a>

Q & A with Steve Backshall – Wednesdays at 9.30am: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm-URP49TgSgyIU1rgh2m7A/featured

### **Art/music**

Art for Kids Hub:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5XMF3Inoi8R9nSI8ChOsdQ

BBC school's radio with music. Clips to sing along to and learn if you wish. <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/primary-music-ks1--ks2-index/z6762sg">https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/primary-music-ks1--ks2-index/z6762sg</a>

### **Philosophy**

https://www.thephilosophyman.com/brainsqueezers