**Further support for learning**

There is **absolutely no need to do anything other than the ‘Russell’ remote learning** during this time. However, some of you are still keen to know even more ways to support and vary home learning. **We do not expect you to use any of these**, but in case some parents find them useful, we would recommend the following:

**Oak Academy**

As you know, this is an online classroom that has been created by teachers specifically to support pupils’ learning at home. Oak is a free website available at [www.thenational.academy](http://www.thenational.academy). It is backed by the Department for Education. You can access Oak’s online classroom on any device, you don’t need to log in or remember a password. Your child can access lessons across a range of subjects, which provide more than three hours of learning every day. Each lesson is delivered by a trained teacher, over a pre-recorded video, and it’s very clear at the start of each session anything you might need (such as pens, paper etc). The lessons are designed to need minimal supervision, although this will depend on the age of your child. Oak also offers SEND lessons and Special Educational therapies. If your child is on the SEND register at Russell you may like to look at these resources too. I know that Mrs Knight has been signposting some parents to them.

**The BBC – Bitesize**

[Bitesize Daily](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons) has been developed by the BBC to provide new lessons every weekday for pupils in year 1 to year 10.

It has been created in collaboration with teachers and educational experts, its videos and interactive activities cover core subjects and other topics on the school curriculum. Content is available for free on television, online and through BBC iPlayer.

**White Rose** **(Maths)** The scheme of work we use in school for Maths is called ‘White Rose’. This is used in every year group across the school. This matches exactly with our ‘live’ lessons and tasks. You can get access to their lessons and videos here:

[**https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/**](https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/)

**Or**

**Third Space Learning** **(Maths)** This is the ‘intervention’ programme we use at Russell. It helps children ‘fill gaps’ or ‘catch up.Parents are able to sign up for their own free Maths Hub accounts to access all Third Space Learning’s free resources and support their children through school closures.

Resources can be filtered by year group, topic or category, making finding the resources you need quick and easy. The dedicated ‘Home Learning’ category contains all Third Space Learning’s free resources that are most appropriate for use at home.

<https://mathshub.thirdspacelearning.com/resources?support_types=home-learning&utm_source=Intercom&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=MH_HomeLearning>

1. Click Register for free in the top right-hand corner
2. Enter your details and select ‘Parent’ as your job title
3. Enter your child’s school postcode (MK45 2TD) and select their school from the list
4. Enter your email and choose a password

Please note, the Maths Hub is not compatible with Internet Explorer so you may need to switch to a different browser to create your free account and access the resources.

**Information from the first KIT letter in January:**

**We have already found that remote home learning is very much like homework – some love it, want more of it and want it harder; while some parents and children wish they didn’t have to do it, want less of it and want it easier!** We simply cannot meet everyone’s needs, but if you would like further learning for your children, on top of that which is already provided, please use the following recommended sources to supplement learning activities:

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/> (Maths – following our curriculum)

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/> (All subjects)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons> (All subjects)

**Did you know that during lockdown there will be learning on TV?** - programming for primary school pupils will be on CBBC between 09:00 and 12.00 every weekday. **iPlayer** - all episodes will be available on catch-up, via [**iPlayer**](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAxMTIuMzMxNDgwMTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5iYmMuY28udWsvaXBsYXllci9ncm91cC9wMDkzY3Y4NSJ9.Ruc25i2s86sfT-GsHDCkiiUh1xhObhPIahcT-61DYkM/s/900610115/br/92955184740-l).

**You will also find a wealth of resources on our school website**, under the Kids Area tab:

<https://www.russell-lower.co.uk/website/kids_area/156> (Russell website - Kids Area – see links to other websites on the left-hand side)