

During this period of lockdown, the Department for Education (DfE) have given schools clear guidelines on what is expected of good-quality remote learning. All of the schools in CDAT are trying hard to make sure that they deliver at least what the DfE have set out. This means that we will try to make sure that your child has the opportunity to:

- do meaningful work each day in a number of different subjects – *although you will find that reading, writing and maths will probably be covered more often than other areas.*
- have enough work for 3 hours a day - *older pupils may do more than three hours and younger ones slightly less – 3 hours a day is given as an average*
- have regular access to direct teaching, to make sure new content is explained: *this might be through online lessons delivered by your child's teacher, or through high-quality curriculum resources or videos.*
- have their work checked regularly, and for school to inform parents straight away if pupils are not engaging with their work
- have teachers check how well they are progressing through the curriculum, and be given feedback, at least weekly, on how well they are doing.
- be given work that matches their learning needs and be given help or explanations to ensure that they understand it – *so please make sure you tell us if your child is struggling.*



**We know that learning at home isn't easy – and we're really grateful for all your hard work. Here are some 'Top Tips' to make your learning run smoothly.**

- 1) If possible, have one place at home for 'work' and another for 'playing'
- 2) Be realistic about what you can do – every bit of learning that you can manage at home is better than none!
- 3) Keep to a timetable where possible. It's good to be in a routine – and to make sure that your timetable has plenty of chances for breaks as well as learning.
- 4) Physical and mental health are really important – Make sure that there is exercise built into your plan each day.
- 5) Remember key rules about internet safety – your child may be online more than usual – make sure they remember what they have learnt about staying safe online, not sharing passwords and so on.
- 6) If your child is really stuck with something, move on and ask the teacher about it the next chance you get.

**Your teacher will respond to your learning and your emails in school time. If you contact your teacher outside of school hours you may have to wait until the next day to get a reply, so please be patient.**

## Website Ideas...

There are lots of great websites you can go to for home-learning ideas and resources. These are some of our favourites:

Oxford Owl for Home

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Lots of free resources for Primary age – especially good for reading, writing and maths.

Geography Games

<https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>

Geography games for different age groups.

BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

A really good selection of different, free resources.

WOW Science

<https://wowscience.co.uk/>

Does exactly what it says on the tin! A really good website with free science lessons and activities for primary-school age pupils.

National Literacy Trust

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/>

'Family Zone' has been produced by the NLT – lots of literacy-based games and activities

Top Marks

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Maths games and activities



# Home Learning Guide