



Dear Parents and Carers

We hope that you and your families are keeping safe and well at home.

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April the Government launched an online learning platform. (Oak National Academy). <https://www.thenational.academy/> It is a new enterprise created by 40 teachers from schools across England. The website is split into year groups and then by subject and is easy to navigate. The video lessons are presented in a way that the children will be familiar with and all of the learning objectives link to the national curriculum. The teachers are engaging and friendly and the activities linked to the videos are manageable and only generally require paper and pencil.

Each day there will be three lessons available – Maths, English and Foundation. Some lessons require resources, but these will be objects that you already have around your home. Lessons will be best viewed with your child so that you are able to pause the video frequently to discuss main points.

You may find that some concepts are areas your child is already secure with. It is still good practice to review these. Alternatively, you may find your child finds a particular concept challenging, so you could view this lesson again later in the week. We would also recommend that you try to incorporate activities relating to these concepts within your daily routine.

The lessons available will not replace the lovely activities and projects I'm sure you are already enjoying with your family. These might include gardening, learning to tie shoelaces, baking, playing games, making up stories, construction, physical exercise, arts and crafts and nature hunts.

We miss you all and we can't wait to see you all again!

Year R Team