



Home Learning Procedure 2020



Guidance to support pupils and families during a school closure

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1. Introduction

This booklet will provide parents and carers with guidance on how to support children at home during a school closure.

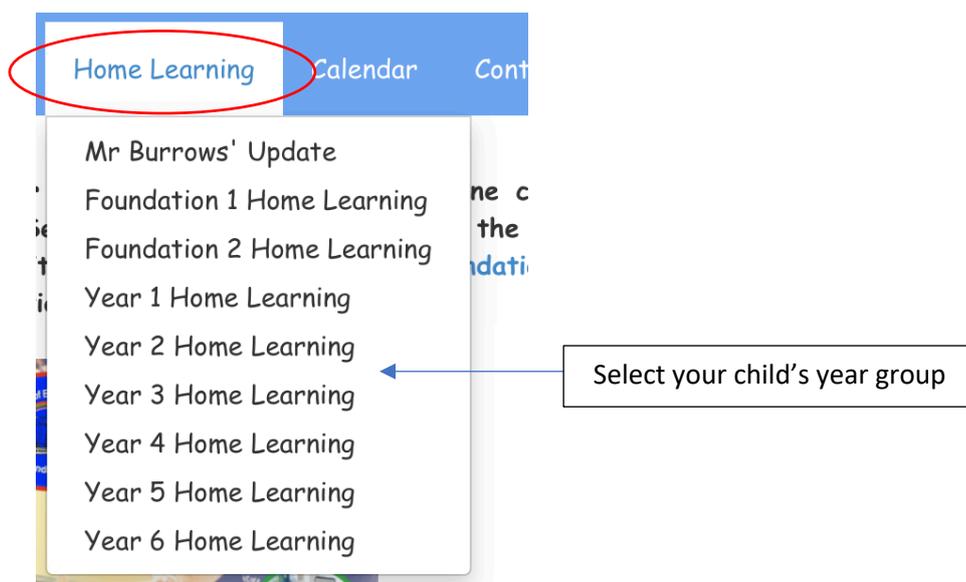
Please note that the procedures outlined in this guide will begin on **Monday 23rd March 2020** until the school is instructed to reopen for all pupils.

We appreciate that each family's own circumstances will influence the nature of any time away from school and it will be the parents and carers best judgements as to the amount of work the children complete.

2. Foundation 2 to Year 6

For resources to support your child's learning at home, please go to our school website: <https://www.dawpool.wirral.sch.uk/website>

Click on the *Home Learning* tab at the top of the homepage and select your child's year group:



All home learning activities will be available here.

During the school closure, your child's class teacher will plan lessons as normal and make the work accessible on the *Home Learning* pages.

From 09:00 every morning (Monday-Friday in term-time), your child's class teacher will provide a daily bulletin with learning objectives, downloadable resources and links to further activities. If you are unable to print out the teacher's recommended worksheets or activities, pupils can record their work in the exercise book that has been sent home (you may also wish to provide your own). In addition, some teachers may have sent home some paper-based work.

To ensure that your child's learning is accurately focused on the correct areas of the curriculum, we advise parents and carers to prioritise the work outlined by the class teacher in the daily bulletin.

Please note that if the class teacher becomes unwell, and is therefore unavailable for work, the daily bulletin may not be provided and parents and carers will be informed about this on the *Home Learning* pages. In such circumstances, we have identified some further resources that you can use to support your child's learning at home.

3. Purple Mash

Your child has a subscription to **Purple Mash** which hosts a variety of curriculum focused activities, creative tools, programs and games to support and inspire creative learning.

There is a link at the top of the *Home Learning* pages to the **Purple Mash** website:

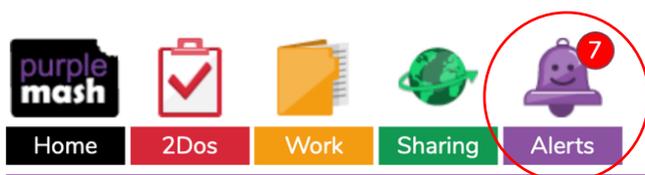


Please enter the username and password which has been sent home with your child.

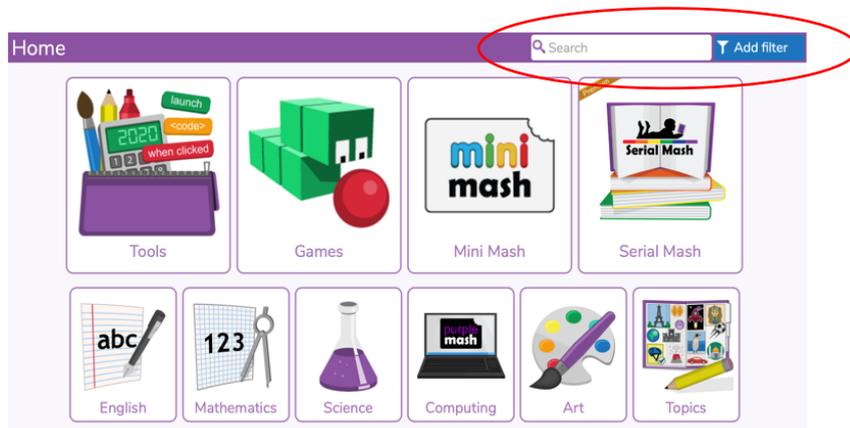
 A login form with a purple border. It contains two white input fields: the top one is labeled "Username" and the bottom one is labeled "Password". Below these fields is a solid purple button with the white text "Log in".

If you need a reminder of your child's login details, please contact your child's class teacher via the email address referenced at the end of this document.

As part of the daily bulletin, class teachers may direct pupils to complete specific activities (2Dos) within **Purple Mash**. When a task has been set by the class teacher, it will appear in the top left of the **Purple Mash** homepage as an alert:



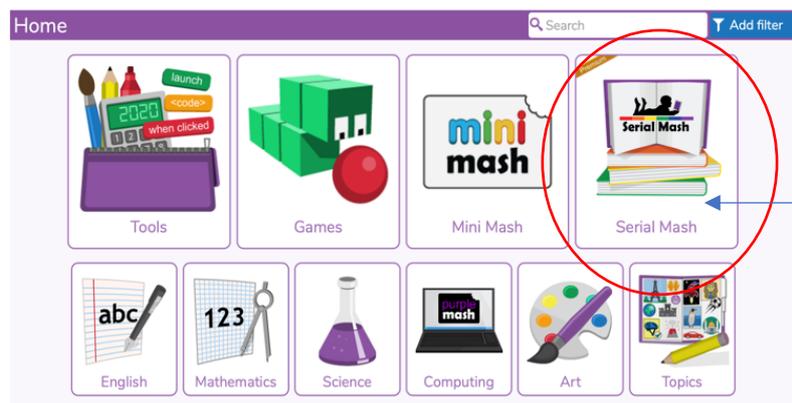
Additionally, your child may wish to use the search bar within **Purple Mash** to explore more activities if desired.



4. Serial Mash

The single most important thing you can do is **ensure that your child reads regularly**.

Your child's class teacher will set reading activities in their daily bulletin. Additionally, the 'Serial Mash' resource within **Purple Mash** provides your child with an extensive library of fiction books to suit all ages and interests with supplementary comprehension and grammar activities.



Your child can access a comprehensive online reading library by clicking on 'Serial Mash'.

Select from the following book bands:



5. Oxford Owl

You may also wish to subscribe to **Oxford Owl** for additional **free** reading material:

1. Go to <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Click on 'Oxford Owl for Home'



Oxford Owl for Home

Free resources to support learning at home

2. Register for a home account using your email address and password.
3. Click the link that is sent to your email.
4. Login to access the E-book library which has extensive titles arranged by age group, genre and reading book band.

All Ages ▼	Levels ▼
Book type ▼	Series ▼

6. Twinkl Resources

Twinkl are providing parents and carers with free access to their full collection of over 525,000 learning resources. The resources provide entire schemes of work, lesson planning and assessments right through to online educational games and augmented reality. Follow these instructions to access the full database:

1. Go to www.twinkl.co.uk/offer

New to Twinkl?

Create an account and subscribe to premium:

Email address:

Password:

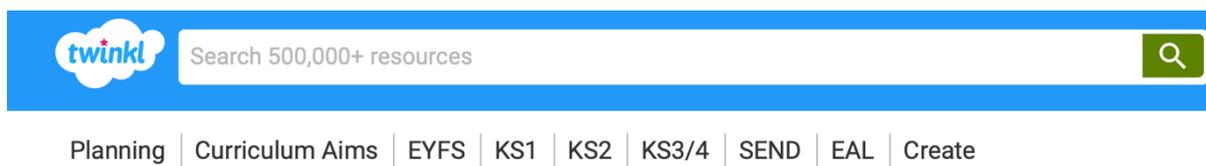
Occupation:

Offer Code

Signup & Subscribe now!

By clicking on 'Signup & Subscribe now!', you are agreeing to our Terms and Conditions, confirming that you have read our Privacy Policy and to receiving helpful educational materials, updates and support by email. You can change your email preferences or unsubscribe at any time in the Contact Preferences area of the site.

2. Enter you email, password and occupation
3. Enter the offer code **CVDTWINKLHELPS**



Once logged in, you can search the entire database of resources which will **expire in 1-month from the date you subscribed.**

7. Further Resources

The *Home Learning* pages of the website also provide further resources:

- Recommended reading list
- Statutory spellings
- Multiplication tables & maths tasks
- Recommended further learning
- Recommended websites and apps
- Suggestions for practical activities

Class teachers will signpost pupils to other appropriate resources within their daily bulletin.

8. Foundation 1

Below are some ideas that parents and carers may find useful for helping your child learn at home.

Believe us when we say, your children already learn so much by completing day to day activities.

Independence

- Continue to allow your child to develop their independence by dressing themselves and helping get themselves ready.

Maths

- Maybe children could help make their own breakfast, lunch or dinner? We know they love using the weighing scales when we have them out in the classroom!
- Counting the stairs as you walk up them. Can children correct you if you miss a number out?
- Lots of containers in the bath for measuring capacity.
- Shapes hunt around the house.

Technology

- Lots of online resources are available. Can you watch clips and then ask children questions about it? Who? What? When? Why? Children love finding out new information using the internet.

Literacy/Phonics

- Lots of singing and stories. Maybe you could video the children singing?
- Can children re-call parts of the story?
- What letters can you spot in the story? Can children write any?
- Can children draw their favourite character?
- Name writing.
- Eye-spy.
- Drawing pictures/writing lists/making cards.

Creative

- What can you use around the house to make musical instruments?
- Icing biscuits.
- Paper crafts.
- Lego/construction materials.
- Cutting activity – this can be as simple as cutting their own shapes out of scrap paper and then making a picture with them.

9. Tapestry

Foundation 1 parents and carers are familiar with tapestry and how we use it to upload photographs and observations of children. We will be using the app to provide you with daily challenges or ideas of activities for you to complete at home. Please remember that everything you do with your children is a learning opportunity and they are continually learning new things about the world around them.

We have provided your child with an exercise book (alternatively you may like to provide your own). There is no expectation for this to be used but it might come in useful to record pictures, photographs, notes of activities etc.

10. Communication

During school hours (Mon-Fri, 09:00-15:30), you can email your child's class teacher for advice about your child's learning. The class teacher will aim to respond to you as soon as possible within school hours.

F1: Mrs Heron / Mrs Almond foundation1@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
F2: Mrs Poston foundation2@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
Y1: Mrs Young / Mrs Warwood year1@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
Y2: Mrs Broadbent / Mrs McCann year2@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
Y3: Miss Venables year3@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
Y4: Mr Greenop year4@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
Y5: Mrs Hall / Mrs Hosker year5@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk
Y6: Mrs Lee year6@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk

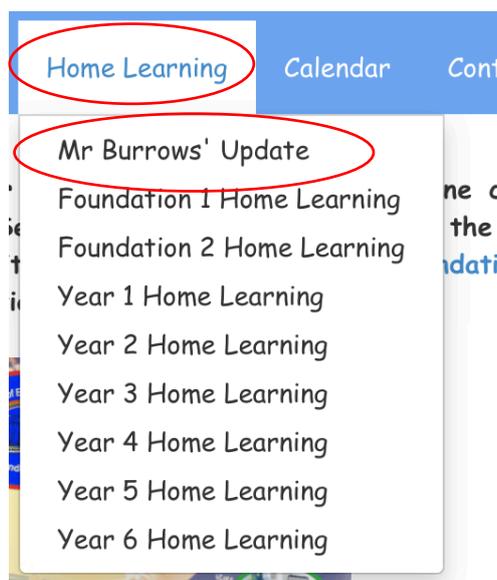
Please note that these email addresses will only be active during the period of school closure and will only be accessed by teachers during school hours. Please understand that the teachers' ability to respond to emails in a timely manner is dependent on their personal circumstances. Communication can also be directed to schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk and we will forward your enquiry to the member of staff who is available to help.

Child Protection and Safeguarding concerns should be directed to schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk. Alternatively, parents and carers can refer child protection concerns directly to the **Integrated Front Door: 0151 606 2008** (9am–5pm). Outside of these hours call **0151 677 6557**. In an emergency always dial **999**.

We will continue to update the school website with the latest information about Coronavirus which can be found under the 'Parent Information' tab. There is also a quick link to this information at the top of the homepage.

11. Mr Burrows' Update

Mr Burrows will provide a regular written update to the school community from **Monday 23rd March**. This will be posted on the Home Learning page of the website.



12. Twitter

In order to keep Dawpool's Twitter feed up and running, it will be lovely to have examples of the children's home learning and activities to share. You can email photographs and messages to twitter@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk and we will send a tweet to the school community on your behalf. Alternatively, please remember to tag us into any school related tweets that you send, '@DawpoolCofE.'

Key Contacts

NHS 111

NHS 111 online: <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>

DfE Helpline: **0800 046 8687** (questions about COVID-19 related to education, open 8am-6pm Monday -Friday)

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Public Health England North West: **0344 225 0562**

Our preferred method of communication during a school closure is email. We will use email to send you important information and updates. If your contact details change during a school closure, please inform us immediately at schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk

We wish to reiterate that the purpose of a school closure is to ensure that all families are given the opportunity to fully observe the restrictions imposed by the government, to protect our health and to ensure our safety. This is most important of all.

Look after yourselves and each other. We look forward to seeing you all back in school soon.

*Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord,
Amen.*