

Resource Packs

Thank you to those that have picked these up already, if not please pop into the school office to get one for your child.

In your **resource pack**, you will find:

- resources to support English and Maths learning depending on your child's year group, for example phonics mats, spelling lists, 100 squares and manipulatives;
- an exercise book or paper;
- some printed sheets where needed;
- writing implements;
- an outline of the home learning being used on Class Dojo
- A Class Dojo parent guide
- A guide on using Oak Academy

Online Provision

We are continuing to use Class Dojo, we will be using this to:

a) **talk to each class, each day in pre-recorded sessions and messages.** The pre-recorded sessions are in place to offer the flexibility for you as a family while you may have others working from home currently. This will include explanations of learning, more clarification on tasks when required and a story. Many of the teachers are also using this as a way to drop a lovely well-being message to the children.

b) **set learning** (work/lessons/task and activities) and;

c) **provide online support for the children throughout the day.**

- **Start of the day** – In the morning, (sometimes the evening before) teachers will upload an introduction to the day, this will give children an overview of the learning for the day; talk about learning that has been set and prepare children in regards to the equipment/resources that they will need to use. This will be through a typed message or through a pre-recorded message on the class story or on your child's portfolio.
- **Support during the day** – Your child's class teacher and teaching assistants will be available throughout the day via Class Dojo to offer support where needed. If they are unwell or busy with the children in school then another member of staff will do this for them.
- **Oak Academy** – We will be using this online resource for most English activities and many topic ones too. Each day, the teacher will post links for the learning to be completed which will take the children to an Oak Academy video. The children will be able to watch and re-watch these videos, pausing where they wish or where asked to by the teacher on screen. This allows them to work at their own pace and when is convenient for your family at home. These come highly recommended from the DfE and provide as full a lesson experience as possible. You can still ask on Class Dojo if you get stuck on anything.
- **White Rose Maths** – Similarly, Maths will be set in the same way using White Rose Maths. This is exactly the same Maths as we would be doing in school. Again, the links to lessons will be posted by teachers daily via Class Dojo. A worksheet may be attached each day to view on the screen but this does not need to be printed; children should work in their book provided in the resource pack. Younger children may have some of the worksheets in their packs. If your child does not finish the worksheet each day, please do not worry. Once again, you can still ask on Class Dojo if you get stuck on anything.
- **Other learning** – Other work may be set using a variety of other sources that are not via Oak Academy or White Rose Maths but where this is the case **this will always also be set via Class Dojo**. Some may be pre-recorded videos. If there is a worksheet in the pack then the children should complete this on the sheet. At West Minster the children will continue to receive SPaG activities, number of the day and a class story.

Japanese activities will also be available for the children and the PE Team will provide some tasks for the children to complete. Children in Reception & KS1 will have daily phonics to help them with their reading and spelling.

- **Extra links -**
Oxford owl for reading - <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/>
Teach your monster to read - <https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>
Phonics play for phonics - <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>
- **End of the day** – At the end of each day the teacher will finish with a story or the class novel.

Suggested Timetable

You must arrange your day to suit your family, the teachers are providing the learning with suggestions on order of completion but it is entirely up to you in which order you choose to complete the activities.

Where should my child record their work?

Your child should record their learning as requested in the videos or by the class teacher in their exercise book/on the paper provided.

Where there are paper copies of reading comprehensions or worksheets in the home learning pack then your children should record directly on these. We will be reviewing this after the first two-week block of home learning once children and staff are comfortable using this new system.

What do you need to do now?

Please ensure that you have set up your child's Class Dojo:

<https://www.classdojo.com/invite/?s=5e835485d302677528890d7e>

Helpful Tips

Class Dojo

<https://classdojo.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/200185365-For-parents>

The above link provides all the information you need to know for yourself and your child on using Class Dojo. Like, downloading work, uploading your child's learning etc...

Oak Academy

How does oak academy work?

Oak National Academy provides free video lessons, slides and worksheets to support teachers and pupils to keep learning.

Created by teachers in response to coronavirus, the resources are freely available, to complement schools' own teaching. Lessons cover a broad range of subjects, from reception to year 11. There are no sign-ups or logins required.

While parents may find the lessons and resources a useful part of supporting their child's learning, they should follow the advice of their child's school. Where appropriate parents may want to use Oak's resources to help their children recap, revise or catch up on learning from their school.

Each lesson takes around an hour for a pupil to complete. There is a pre-recorded video from a teacher, with slides, as well as quizzes, worksheets and creative activities.

Visit www.thenational.academy and then click 'Lessons'. You'll then find three options:

Specialist: To take you to the specialist resources for those with additional needs

Subject: Use this if you want to find a lesson in a particular subject. This first asks your year group, and then offers you lessons in specific subjects.

Schedule: After asking your year group this option will offer you a schedule of lessons, giving you a daily timetable across different subjects.

What does my child need to take part in the lessons?

Each lesson is very clear about what you need at the start. For most there are minimal additional materials required, usually just a pen and some paper.

Do children need an adult with them when they sit the lesson?

Each lesson is a pre-recorded video with a teacher who takes pupils through each section step-by-step. The level of supervision has been designed to be minimal, although that will depend on the age of the learner. Each lesson can be paused and rewound to help students learn at their own pace.

Does my child need to complete a paper learning pack and Class Dojo work?

The learning packs, where possible, are in place of Class Dojo. They are for anyone who can't access Class Dojo for any reason, there is no need to complete both.

Good luck. We will get things wrong, sometimes technology won't work; we may all get frustrated, but if we work together we hope that this will enable the children to continue the progress they have made so far this academic year.