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### Home Learning

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have many children and families who are in the unfortunate position of self-isolating while feeling well without any symptoms of COVID. As per the government guidelines, we cannot accept a child back into school without a negative test result for the family member who displayed symptoms.

With this in mind, we are aware that children are once again missing learning in school with teachers. This is a difficult situation and one which we, as a school, must support parents and carers at home. In the coming days, if your child has to stay at home while waiting for test results there are a number of online resources that you can access which are appropriate for their age and year group.

#### **Oak National Academy**

This website is a government-backed, free site with high-quality videos and resources which will be available throughout this academic year. It was created during lockdown and is continuing to be updated to support pupils learning at home. While these lessons will not continue the specific learning of David Livingstone Academy, they will cover appropriate content and provide appropriate challenge for your child.

<https://www.thenational.academy/>

#### **Times Tables Rock Stars**

Most of our pupils have log ins for this website which supports multiplication knowledge and practice. Times table knowledge is essential and accessing this website is time well spent for all of our Y2 pupils and above.

<https://trockstars.com/>

#### **BBC Bitesize**

The BBC have updated their online videos, articles, games and quizzes for this term and there is a bank of resources covering every subject. Again, it will not continue the lessons that children miss in school but will allow their age-appropriate learning to continue.

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

#### **David Livingstone Academy Summer Learning**

Currently, our website still allows access to last term's home learning. Each year group had a summer learning task which is still available to download. These tasks covered much of the curriculum and were designed to last for a few weeks. If your child did not complete these tasks over the holidays they can access them while at home this term.

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### Next steps

The learning that was provided during the summer term was prepared and produced while teachers were working from home. We no longer have the capacity to provide the same videos and extensive worksheets while school is open and teachers are delivering a full daily timetable. The Oak National Academy was devised in order to bridge this gap and therefore should be the first port of call for home learning. We have plans to create a bank of David Livingstone resources, prepared by teachers for their own classes and available to families if learning at home and this should be available to you soon. We will update you with details but please do access the resources above in the meantime.

Yours sincerely,



Miss Mitchell  
Interim Head of School