

Lockdown Library

Resources to help keep children reading during school closure.

Dear Parents,
During lockdown, it is really important that your child continues to read regularly. This will help to continue building those vital fluency and comprehension skills, just as they would at school. However, I know it can be difficult to find reading materials so have collated some ideas and links to signpost a few excellent online resources for children throughout the school.

[Love Reading 4 Kids](#) – a great place for inspiration to help decide what kind of book you would like to read next alongside thousands of extracts to read through for free.

[Books for Topics](#) – a link to a document providing access to some brilliant stories for ages 3-11.

[World Book Day](#) – full of book recommendations and some free texts to delve into.

[The National Literacy Trust's Words for Life](#) – an ambitious project to put together an online library of texts and activities to help develop children's literacy skills.

[Oxford Owl](#) – a free account will give you access to lots and lots of free scheme books, similar to those used by many schools throughout the country.

[The Book Trust](#) – a collection of free books to read online.

[Purple Mash](#) – a wide range of online chapter books with accompanying activities, ask your class teachers about these if you are struggling to find them.

The government's [Oak National Academy](#) and [BBC Bitesize](#) have reading specific lessons for each year group from Reception to Year 6. The O.N.A have also just begun a free online library.

I hope that you find some of these resources useful. If you happen to come across anything else you have been using to help your child keep up their reading skills, I would love to hear about them. Please email me at mr.lole@chancellorpark.essex.sch.uk

