# Tips on Learning at Home for EYs

This is a difficult time for us all. Our first concern is for everyone to be safe and well. We have realised that to help with your child's learning there are some suggestions we can offer to make this time productive and less stressful for you as a family.

- Allocate a space where your child can study
- Have paper, pencils, books, crayons etc. in one area so that your child can access them when needed
- Create a time table and routine. This will cause less friction as both you and your child will know what is expected.
- Have breaks timetabled- this could include rhyme time/yoga (available on YouTube)
- There should be no distractions such as television/radio while your child is focussing on their learning
- Reading should be taking place daily. This can be timetabled or reading could take place in the evening at least half an hour a day( books available on the internet-see websites suggested or YouTube for story books)
- Please record your reading in your child's reading record
- Talk to your child about the story they have read. They can draw a picture and write some sentences
- In the afternoon spend some time doing something creative/cooking/working on their topic
- This is also a good time to learn something new as a family , for example there are instructions for playing chess or simple instructions to follow to draw or paint on youtube
- Play board games
- Limit the time your child spends playing computer games

## Free Websites for online books for children:

- online-tech-tips.com
- www.oxfordowl.co.uk
- Story Online for kids
- Barnes & Noble Free Nook
- Freechildrenstories.com

#### **Phonics workshops:**

- <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/phonics/play/">http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/phonics/play/</a>
- <u>http://www.education.com/games/phonological-awareness/</u>
- <u>http://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds</u>
- <a href="http://www.familylearning.org.uk/phonics\_games.html">http://www.familylearning.org.uk/phonics\_games.html</a>
- phonicsplay.co.uk
- <u>http://www.starfall.com</u>

### Sites where learning resources and packs are available:

- <u>https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html</u>
- <u>https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/extra-subjects-</u> <u>parents/school/-closures-category-free-resources-</u> <u>parents/school-closures-free-resouces-parents</u>
- <u>https://www.hamilton-trust.org.uk/blog/learning-home-packs/</u>

#### JO Wicks Exercise video for children on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhI0v-w