



**Sandwell Virtual School for Children in Care and
Sandwell Transition Education Partnership Service (STEPS) Education
Actives for children during school closures March 2020**



With some children now needing to self-isolate at home and other may be at home due to school closures, various organisations in education, health and care have been pooling resources together in order to provide helpful ideas for home-based activities, including mental and emotional well-being for all the family. Most are for primary-aged pupils but some are suitable for secondary pupils too. I hope that these are useful for you:

Twinkl: <https://www.twinkl.co.uk>:

a month of free access to parents in the event of self-isolation or school closures (use promo 'UKTWINKLHELPS')

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

The Imagination Tree: <https://theimaginationtree.com>

Creative art and craft activities for the very youngest.

Toy Theatre: <https://toytheater.com/>

Educational online games

Big History Project: <https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home>

Secondary.

British Council: <https://www.britishcouncil.org/school-resources/find>

Resources for English language learning

Oxford Owl for Home: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Lots of free resources for Primary.

Geography Games: <https://world-geography-games.com/world.html>

Geography gaming

Cbeebies Radio: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio>

Listening activities.

Paw Print Badges: <https://www.pawprintbadges.co.uk>

Free challenge packs and other downloads. Indoor and outdoor.

iDEA Awards: <https://idea.org.uk>

Digital enterprise award scheme you can complete online

Blockly: <https://blockly.games>

Learn all about computer programming.

Scratch: <https://scratch.mit.edu/explore/projects/games/>

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Ted Ed: <https://ed.ted.com>

A range of engaging educational videos

Duolingo: <https://www.duolingo.com>

Learn languages for free.

The Kids Should See This: <https://thekidshouldseethis.com>

Wide range of educational videos

National Geographic Kids: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

Activities and quizzes

Mystery Science: <https://mysteryscience.com>

Free science lessons

Crash Course: <https://thecrashcourse.com/>

There is also a range of excellent resources for young people that help them to develop an understanding of the coronavirus below:

<https://www.elsa-support.co.uk/coronavirus-story-for-children/>

https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2020/02/28/809580453/just-for-kids-a-comic-exploring-the-new-coronavirus?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=this

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/51342366>

<https://www.brainpop.com/health/diseasesinjuriesandconditions/coronavirus/>

<https://littlepuddins.ie/coronavirus-social-story/>

<https://campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools>

Web Links for Early Years:

These sites are suitable for children aged 0-5yrs. Some excellent resources for Carers, parents or your own families 😊

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/programmes-and-campaigns/bookstart/families/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/look-say-sing-play/>

<http://www.smallstepsbigchanges.org.uk/biglittlemoments>

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>