

St Thomas of Aquin's High School

Useful Websites for Parents/Carers of S1-S3 (BGE)



All Subjects

BBC Learning

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

This site is good as it splits its site into primary and secondary and also by subject and levels.

DK Find Out

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/?fbclid=IwAR2wJdpSJSeITf4do6aPhff8A3tAktmnpaxqZbkgudD49I71ep8-sjXmrac>

Activities and quizzes

Twinkl

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

This is more for printouts, and usually at a fee, but they are offering a month of free access to parents in the event of school closures. **Offers Maths, English and Science support.**

Khan Academy – Account Needs to be created

<https://www.khanacademy.org>

Especially good for maths and computing for all ages but other subjects at Secondary level. Note this uses the U.S. grade system but it's mostly common material.

Ted Ed

<https://ed.ted.com>

All sorts of engaging educational videos for all subjects

National Geographic Kids

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

Activities and quizzes for younger kids.

British Council

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

Resources for English language learning

Blue Peter Badges

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/about-blue-peter-badges>

If you have a stamp and a nearby post box.

Life Skills

<https://www.doorwayonline.org.uk/>

Resources for Literacy, number, time and money, typing, memory & Matching

Daily News

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

Daily news programme with supporting activities

General knowledge

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/> - General Knowledge

<http://www.communication4all.co.uk/HomePage.htm> SfL Activities

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/> - All Areas of the curriculum

<https://www.teachhandwriting.co.uk/key-stage-1-handwriting.html> -

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvyc7nb> -

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkvmjhv> -

Support For learning

www.topmarks.co.uk

www.resources.woodlands.junior.kent.sch.uk

www.mad4maths.com

www.mathsisfun.com

<http://www.mathematicshed.com/>

<http://www.supermathsworld.com/>

Maths

Hit the button

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Number bonds, times tables, doubles, halves and division facts

White Rose Problem of the day (KS1)

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/classroom-resources/problems/>

A new problem each day suitable for year 2

Top Marks

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>

Maths games linking to a range of different maths areas. Choose age 5-7 and then choose a maths area to focus on.

Count to 100, counting in 5s, 2s and 10s

<https://www.youtube.com/user/JackHartmann>

Jack Hartmann has many videos linking to the maths curriculum and they help the children to learn how to count in 2's, 5's, 10's and up to 100 in 1's.

<https://www.numeracyninjas.org/>

NCETM

<https://www.ncetm.org.uk/resources/41211>

Maths games and problem solving activities. Choose the year group of your child and the focus area. Twinkl

www.twinkl.co.uk/offer

Endless resources for Maths, reading, writing and topic. School will give you the offer code once they receive it

www.sumdog.com

www.mathplayground.com

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8

www.echalk.co.uk/Primary/numeracy.html

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/

www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities/fun-mathsgames-and-activities/

www.mathsframe.co.uk

www.mathsisfun.com

www.transum.org/software

www.nrich.maths.org/primary

Number Bonds and Times Tables

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

www.timestables.co.uk

www.ictgames.com

www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/maths/timestable/interactive.htm

www.studyzone.tv

Times Tables Rock Stars

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

Online times tables games for all

Prodigy

<https://www.prodigygame.com/>

Maths games for Key stage 1 and Key Stage 2 (free to sign up to an account)

English

Pobble 365

<http://www.pobble365.com/>

New image each day to write about and questions about the image and text

Once Upon A Picture

<https://www.onceuponapicture.co.uk/>

Images to write about and questions about the image.

Teach your monster to read

<https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>

Phonics game (this is free on the internet but you have to pay for the app)

Literacy shed

<https://www.literacyshed.com/home.html>

Lots of writing ideas and prompt. Choose a picture or video to show to your child. Under the image or video, it will give your child ideas to write about or how they can change the story line.

Oxford reading Owl

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

All can use this, not just Willow

Login: willoworme

Password: WillowOrme

The reading realm

<https://thereadingrealm.co.uk/2020/03/15/free-reading-realm-home-learning-pack-fairy-tales>

A reading activity pack with lots of different activities

Try this teaching

<https://www.trythisteaching.com/2020/03/offline-learning/>

Activities you can do at home without the internet

Phonics play

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Great phonics games for KS1. No login required for this as most games are already free

Apps (go to app store - free with no login required)

- **10 Minutes a Day Times Tables**
- **Maths Champions Lite for Kids**
- **Times Tables Quiz**
- **Maths Loops Lite:Times Tables**
- **Monster Maths**

ICT Games

<https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/literacy.html>

Phonics games for KS1

Letters and Sounds

<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/>

KS1 phonics resources and games aligned with each phase.

Ninja word of the day

<https://www.vocabularyninja.co.uk/>

Lots of vocabulary! A new, free ninja' word of the day' each day is released.

Other

Public health

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

How to keep yourself clean- lesson plans for all ages

At home planned learning

<https://www.robinhoodmat.co.uk/learning-projects/>

learning project- Weekly plans for your families at home to follow. It has week by week instructions and varied tasks for English, maths and topic for the family to follow.

BBC Bitesize

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

Explanations and games for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Maths, English and SPAG.

Educational quizzes

<https://www.educationquizzes.com/>

Online quizzes for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for Maths, English and SPAG.

Headspace

<https://my.headspace.com/>

Mindfulness for children. Short sessions to help children stay calm, relaxed and happy

Smiling Mind

<https://www.smilingmind.com.au/>

Mindfulness for all children, parents and families. Short sessions focusing on different themes.

Red Ted Art

<https://www.redtedart.com/>

Simple arts and crafts for everyone

Twinkl - Subscription service used by schools is offering a free premium service for educators, parents and children to use whilst schools are closed—enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS

Worksheets, PowerPoints and interactive games to support all areas of learning.

www.twinkl.co.uk/

Classroom Secrets - Maths and reading home learning packages for schools to use due to school closures. Free access to child version of site.

<https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/home-online-learning/>

White Rose Maths - Maths home learning packages for schools to use due to school closures.

www.whiterosemaths.com/resources/schemes-of-learning/primary-sols/

Master the Curriculum - Maths subscription service has made resources free for educators and parents.

www.masterthecurriculum.co.uk/

Primary Stars - Maths home learning packages for schools to use due to school closures (KS1).

<https://primarystareducation.co.uk/covid-19-year-1/>

Mrs Mactivity - Provide your email to be sent free activities and resources to support with home learning.

www.mrsmactivity.co.uk/free-resources-2/

Free Websites and Apps to support with...

Phonics and Early Reading

Phonics Play

www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freelIndex.htm

Phonics Bloom

www.phonicsbloom.com/

Letters and Sounds

www.letters-and-sounds.com/

Cbeebies—Alphablocks

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks

Teach Your Monster to Read (Website is free. Paid App)

www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/

Oxford Owl

www.oxfordowl.co.uk/

Teach Handwriting—Cursive Practise

www.teachhandwriting.co.uk/index.html

Vooks—Storybooks Brought to Life

www.vooks.com/

Scholastic—Classroom Magazines

www.classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html

Spelling Shed (Paid App or Free with School Subscription)

www.spellingshed.com/en-gb

Free Websites and Apps to support with...

Maths and Science

TopMarks

www.topmarks.co.uk/

Dragon Box (Paid App)

www.dragonbox.com

Bee Bot App for Computing (Free App)

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/bee-bot/id500131639>

Times Table Rockstars (Paid App or Free with School Subscription)

<https://trockstars.com/>

Cbeebies - Numberblocks

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks

Explorify for Science

www.explorify.welcome.ac.uk/

ICT Games—For Literacy and Maths

www.ictgames.co.uk/

Prodigy Maths (Free App)

www.prodigygame.com/

A great bank of interactive games!

Smiling Mind

Short audio sessions to help with mindfulness.

<https://app.smilingmind.com.au/>

Cosmic Yoga - YouTube

Yoga videos designed for kids aged 3+

www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga

BBC Supermovers

Interactive videos to support with KS1 and KS1 Maths, Literacy and PSHE and PE learning. Great for times tables—as well as videos that are ‘just for fun’.

www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers

Go Noodle—YouTube (More videos on their own website)

Hundreds of ‘brainercise’, dancing, strength and mindfulness videos—as well as videos that are ‘just for fun’.

www.youtube.com/user/GoNoodleGames/featured

Premier League Stars

Videos and activities to support with Maths, Literacy, PSHE and PE.

www.plprimarystars.com

Newsround

Keeping children up to date with the world around them— creating opportunities to talk about the news with children.

www.bbc.co.uk/newsround

Modern Languages

Duolingo

<https://www.duolingo.com>

Learn languages for free. Web or app.

All languages free access

This Is Language <https://www.thisislanguage.com/>

Nutty Tilez <https://www.thisislanguage.com/nutty-tilez/>

Bright Red Digital Zone <https://www.brightredbooks.net/subjects/>

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

Busuu <https://www.busuu.com>

Languages Online <https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/Hotpotatoes/index.html>

Lightbulb Languages <https://www.lightbulblanguages.co.uk/index.htm>

Coffee break languages <https://radiolingua.com/>

Betsy Belle <https://betsybelleteach.com/>

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/>

The UNESCO Courier <https://en.unesco.org/courier/archives>

French

BBC Languages <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/>

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

PowerLanguage [Learn a Language: French for Families](#)

French Teacher <https://www.frenchteacher.net/free-resources/samples/>

1 jour 1 actu <https://www.1jour1actu.com/>

TV Monde 5 <http://www.tv5monde.com/>

Spanish

BBC Languages <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/>

BBC Bitesize Spanish <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z4fc7ty>

Free Spanish cinema for 14 days <https://flixole.com/>

We teach Spanish <https://www.weteachspanish.co.uk/>

RTVE <https://www.rtve.es/>

Radio Ambulante <https://www.npr.org/podcasts/510315/radio-ambulante?t=1584632310267>

STEM

Tinkercad

<https://www.tinkercad.com>

All kinds of making.

<https://thekidshouldseethis.com/> STEM

Maths

Prodigy Maths

<https://www.prodigygame.com>

Is in U.S. grades, but good for UK Primary age.

Investigate Maths in the real world

[S1 CfE Level 3 Course Outline Sets 1-4](#) with website links

[Numeracy Booklet](#)

[Level 3/4 PowerPoint](#)

Topic list and worksheets

[S1 CfE Level 2 Course Outline Sets 5-6](#) with website links

Elected notes and exercises

Trigonometry Booklet

[S2 CfE Level 4+ Course Outline Sets 1-4](#) with website links

[Numeracy Booklet](#)

[Level 3/4 PowerPoint](#)

[Numeracy Booklet](#)

Topic list

[S2 CfE Level 3 Course Outline Sets 5-6](#) with website links

[Numeracy Booklet](#)

Course Plan with textbook pages

[S3 CfE Course Outline Sets 1-3](#) with website links

[Level 3/4 PowerPoint](#)

EF Notes and workbook

[S3 CfE Course Outline Set 4](#) with website links

[Level 3/4 PowerPoint](#)

Topic list - S3 CfE Course Outline Set 5 with website links

Numeracy Booklet

[S3 CfE Course Outline Set 5](#) with website links

[Numeracy Booklet](#)

[Level 3/4 PowerPoint](#)

Help your child revise Level 3 Numeracy

N3 Numeracy Practice

N4 Numeracy Preparation Booklet

[S3 CfE Course Outline Set 6](#) with website links

[Numeracy Booklet](#)

English

BBC Bitesize website is recommended for parents to use as a real source of work for pupils. The other two are more for lighter relief whilst learning

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z3kw2hv>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>

<http://www.funenglishgames.com/grammargames.html>

Modern Studies

CIA WorldFactbook <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>

BBC Country profiles http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/country_profiles/default.stm

History

Big History Project

<https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home>

Aimed at Secondary age. Multi disciplinary activities.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/shows/horrible-histories> - History topics and supporting online activities/quizzes.

<https://www.bighistoryproject.com/home> History/STEM

Geography

Geography Games

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

Geography gaming!

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

National Geographic for children. All areas of the curriculum

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

Art

The Artful Parent

<https://www.facebook.com/artfulparent/>

Good, free art activities

RE

<https://sophiainstituteforteachers.org/>

Computing

General Websites

Blockly

<https://blockly.games>

Learn computer programming skills - fun and free.

Scratch

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

Creative computer programming

iDEA Awards

<https://idea.org.uk>

Digital enterprise award scheme you can complete online.

S1 Computing

Set up and ready to access on the following part of the school website:

<https://www.st-thomas-of-aquins.org.uk/departments/computing-science/s1-computing-science/>

Internet Safety:

Childnet International

ThinkUKnow

Animation and programming – focus as this is area currently being covered

Scratch

Scratch Worksheets:

- [Worksheet 1](#)
- [Worksheet 2](#)
- [Worksheet 3](#)
- [Worksheet 4](#)
- [Worksheet 5](#)
- [Worksheet 6](#)

Hour of Code

<https://www.tynker.com/dashboard/student/#/dashboard>

OneNote – Digital Learning Team – <https://digitallearningteam.org/>

S2 Computing:

Set up and ready to access on the following part of the school website:

<https://www.st-thomas-of-aquins.org.uk/departments/computing-science/s2-computing-science/>

Internet Safety:

ThinkUknow

Animation

Flipbook

Flip Animation

Styky

Programming

BBC microbit

Livecode

Codecademy

HTML – Focus as area currently being covered.

W3schools

Web Design Worksheet

Theory Task

We encourage students to be working on achieving their bronze IDEA award – [follow this link to access the challenges.](#)

Email : StudentNumber@ea.edin.sch.uk

Password – can be reset if forgotten at home.

S3 Computing

Set up and ready to access on the following part of the school website:

<https://www.st-thomas-of-aquins.org.uk/departments/computing-science/s3-computing-science/>

Useful websites

Computing Systems

Hardware and software

The processor

Storage devices

Wifi and Bluetooth

Computer networks

Security risks and precautions

Malware

Legal implications

Computer Misuse Act

The Data Protection Act

Copyright, Design and Patents Act

Practical Revision:

Software Design and Development – Focus as next topic we were going to move onto. (If studying

Download Python for free

W3schools Python

Practice Python

Python Written Worksheet

Python programming booklet – helpful to work on if you want to take National 5 Computing

HTML – area we are currently working on.

W3schools HTML

HTML Written Worksheet

Extra Curricular : IDEA Award – we are encouraging all students to get their bronze award – [click this link to get logged in.](#)

Educational quizzes

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