Good morning,

I hope you are all well and have recharged your energy for the weeks ahead. As we started on our Read Write Inc (RWI) journey in the Autumn we were given support from The English Hub. I have recently been sent information on ways in which Ruth Miskin the founder of RWI is working to support RWI schools and also ways in which she can support families during this difficult time.

As a Read Write Inc School I cannot stress the importance of the children continuing with the sounds we have been learning. An easy way for them to do this would be for them to watch the daily speed sounds lessons - please do make use of them

They are online and there is a set 1, set 2 and set 3 session each day as well as a poetry read aloud.  They are only 20 minutes long but will help to keep your child learning through the introduction of new sounds as well as reinforcing previously learned sounds. It will also help you experience how we learn in class.

If you are on facebook, why not join the Read Write Inc facebook group?

In the coming weeks Read Write Inc will also be offering a ‘phonics spine’ of 72 free eBooks matched to Read Write Inc. levels. If your child is in orange group, there will be orange books available for them to read and so on (please do email me with your child’s full name at apple@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk if you are unsure of the colour your child should be reading). In addition there will also be 62 Speed Sounds practice sheets. For children in the Ditty group, there will be Ditty practice sheets along with parent information booklets and 8 Speedy Green Words slideshows.

All of the resources will be free and we are able to access them from the Read Write Inc. page on Oxford Owl for Home over the coming weeks. As more information and resources become available I will email and let you know. At the moment there are 14 Read Write Inc ebooks on Oxford Owl for Home (click on the ‘eBooks’ link underneath ‘Read Write Inc. Phonics Guide for Parents’), plus lots of guidance for parents and carers: [www.oxfordowl.co.uk/read-write-inc-home](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/read-write-inc-home) this includes Parent videos on pronouncing the sounds, how to sound-blend, read digraphs, read stretchy sounds, etc.

Please do make use of these resources as they will benefit your child in the weeks to come which will be the foundations for their future education.

As a school we recommend reading 4 times a week and in light of the current situation I would ask you to encourage your child to

* watch the online session daily (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFCIg9GdxtQ>)
* read from the list of eBooks daily (please remember to read each book 3 times)  [www.oxfordowl.co.uk/read-write-inc-home](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/read-write-inc-home)
* if you want to join the FB group that offers support and tips please do or keep in touch with me and I will share ideas I find
* contact us with any questions/queries and to ask if you are unsure which RWI colour group your child is in

Thank you for your ongoing support

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