



FREE REMOTE LEARNING RESOURCES TO SUPPORT YOU ALL

Good Afternoon Everyone,

Given the return to lockdown, we are back in the place of being absolutely focussed on digital resources and home learning. While we are all too acutely aware of the need many children have for being with their teachers, it is once again essential that we make the most of what CAN be achieved through other channels. We therefore thought it helpful to gather all the most useful, free resources we have worked with over recent months and put them in one place. While home learning is vastly different across ages and key stages, there is real value in all phases being able to access and draw on the full range of resources that include:

- Home/remote learning webinars
- Podcasts from Birmingham Headteachers about their learning regarding remote provision
- BEP Home and Blended Learning Framework
- BEP Blended Learning Model Policy Template with lots of brilliant appendices and links
- Links to local and national curriculum resources and CPD for all Key Stages

We continue to welcome feedback and intend to send our updates out more frequently in the next few weeks to keep good ideas flowing your way. Yet again, we cannot thank enough all the contributors who have already provided us all with this wealth of learning and understanding.

Best Wishes

BEP Central and the magnificent contributors



Remote Learning Webinars

Adapting, Maintaining Compliance and Managing on-line Learning

This 40-minute webinar looks at some strategic and practical considerations for schools to address to successfully manage home learning. Presented by Vikki Bardon from Entrust, she successfully steers you through issues related to both health and safety and safeguarding as well as delivering an improved 'user' experience.

Just 2 Easy (J2E) A Software Tool to Support Home Learning

Many Birmingham schools already have this software, but not all of you may know how it can be used to support home learning. Presented by Sharon Cufflin (Link2ICT) and Nikki Kimbell (Just 2 Easy) this 40-minute session demonstrates the wide range of ways it can be used by teachers to support home learning.

A Long-Term Home Learning Strategy

A 15-minute session on how Robin Hood MAT are developing their home learning provision, including how they have used Oak National Academy resources to support them with this. Presented by Steve Taylor and Joe Purnell from Robin Hood MAT.

Here is the link to the Oak resources which also includes a free webinar for teachers - <https://www.thenational.academy/>

The Virtual Classroom

A 25-minute session, where Queensbury Special School staff demonstrate bringing together various platforms for delivery, resources and communication to enable staff to deliver lessons solely on a remote basis. Presented by Chris Wilson, Mansur Ali and Nandini Gill from Queensbury School.

A Digital Strategy and Approach to Blended Learning

In this 30-minute session, Ark Schools share their ambition to improve learning outcomes for young people and how they intend to meet it through their digital strategy. Presented by Lauren Thorpe – Ark Schools.

Recovery, Reintroduction and Renewal: Keeping Connected in Complicated Times

While this 40-minute session addresses the challenge of blended learning, it also tackles the issues of the question of delivering lessons within the very diverse home learning contexts in your school communities. Presented by Dr Paulette Osborne (BEP) and Bren Taylor (Link2ICT).

BEP Home and Blended Learning Framework

In this 12-minute session, Emma Tyler (BEP) explains how to use the BEP Home and Blended Learning Framework*. The Framework was written and developed to help schools improve their provision.

*A link to the Framework can be found at the end of this document under 'Resources'.

PLEASE CLICK BELOW TO ACCESS ANY OF THE ABOVE WEBINARS.

[REMOTE LEARNING WEBINARS](#)

Podcasts

Heads up on...

Heads Up on... Principles of Home Learning from Birmingham's 2 Research Schools

Karl Rogerson, Headteacher of Billesley Primary School and Sonia Thompson, Headteacher of St Matthew's CE Primary, the two Research Schools in the city, discuss how they have developed their home learning strategies and how they have used education research into home learning to develop and improve their provision. Both would welcome contact from colleagues who are interested in following up on any of their ideas. They speak clearly about the need for quality over quantity and the need for pastoral support as well as academic lessons. Both discuss the importance of consistency of format of online lessons and the need to revisit learning. For those of you who are interested in developing the use google classrooms, they can also support you. They have both invested heavily in staff CPD related to online learning and they discuss some helpful pointers.

[Click here](#) to listen to the 20-minute podcast.

Heads Up on... Secondary Home Learning

Colin Crehan, Headteacher at Holy Trinity and Mark Gregory, Regional Director for Ark Schools, discuss their plans for the opening of schools to Years 10 and 12 and the issues they are 'grappling' with. A fascinating 30 minutes into the complexity of reopening and the development of 'blended' learning. They also discuss home learning.

[Click here](#) to listen to the 30-minute podcast.

Heads Up on... Special Schools' Home Learning

Three Special School Headteachers: Vicky Miller from Oscott Manor; Chris Wilson from Queensbury and Simon Harris from Mayfield discuss their thoughts on home learning and share what has worked well and how they have overcome the challenges that home learning brings for pupils in Special Schools.

[Click here](#) to listen to the 30-minute podcast.

CPD & other online Curriculum resources

Oak National Academy is funded by the Department for Education to support you

Sign up for their free webinar to get support creating and implementing your remote education plan. You can also ask any questions about how to make use of their nearly 10,000 free lessons that cover up to year 11. To help you plan, all lessons are available now, with editable slides and worksheets for the majority. Secure your place early by signing up and sharing with your networks.

1pm Thursday 7th January 2021.
<https://www.thenational.academy/>

Robin Hood MAT

Have been working behind the scenes for the past 4 months on a concept called PODCAST CPD which essentially provides a list of podcasts to listen to over a 10 week period, with a number of face-to-face Zoom meetings to enable staff to network - the essence is on providing free CPD to anyone who has an interest in bettering themselves. They have built this for Robin Hood MAT staff but are sharing it with anyone who might be interested, especially at this time, as some of the podcasts directly link to dealing with change and anxiety which may benefit staff at this time.

Find out more and register for free by clicking <https://www.robinhoodmat.co.uk/podcast-cpd/>

NCETM and Maths Hubs online resources - available January 2021

Materials to support teachers and schools planning and delivering maths teaching in school and remotely at both primary and secondary level are available from the NCETM. All are accessible from the dedicated [Covid Support Page](#) on the NCETM website.

For Primary Schools and Teachers

The 180 [primary video lessons](#) produced during the first lockdown are still available. Each lesson has an accompanying teacher guide, and PowerPoint slides of the lesson for teachers to adapt themselves.

There are also resources linked to the DfE guidance published in July 2020. These include [ready-to-use training materials](#), a short introductory [video](#), and a [suite of 79 PowerPoints](#) focusing on the ready-to-progress criteria found in the DfE guidance. Additional training materials addressing the [transition between Year 6 and Year 7](#) are also particularly relevant when pupils in Year 6 have had their maths learning disrupted.

For Secondary Schools

An evidence-based [guidance document](#) to support discussions about recovery curriculum content and pedagogy is available, along with a series of ['Planning to teach...' videos and PowerPoint slides](#) offering advice on teaching crucial KS3 topics. CPD materials include a [one-hour training session](#) to help understand the implications for Year 7 of the DfE primary guidance, and six [Departmental Workshops](#) for any teachers able to engage in collaborative professional development.

The 40 [Maths Hubs](#) which support all state-funded primary and secondary schools across England are continuing to offer some opportunities for support and online professional development. Get in touch with your [local hub](#) to find out more.

Resources

BEP Home and Blended Learning Framework

The BEP Home & Blended Learning Framework has been written to provide schools with the opportunity to reflect on current policy and practice.

[Click here](#) to access the Framework.

BEP Blended Learning Model Policy Template

This policy was written by BEP at the request of Primary Forum to provide schools with support for developing their policy and procedures. Of note are a wide range of links in Appendix 3 to useful resources, websites and advice to further support remote learning.

[Click here](#) to access the template.