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Dear Parents / Carers

There is no formal home learning for your children to do over the holidays. However, it is essential that they continue to read regularly over the holidays so that they don't fall behind. Although we have collected the children's reading books in at the end of term, you can also find e-books at www.oxfordowl.co.uk, hopefully you have already registered for this, but if you need to, it is free.

You could also enrol your child into the Summer Reading challenge which has been organised through the libraries across Bracknell. Children will be able to register for the challenge now. If you are interested please visit the site <https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/libraries/library-events/summer-reading-challenge-2020>.

We know that children are often tired at this time of year and that you will be enjoying family time, however here are a few ideas of things that you can do at home to build on Year 1 and prepare for Year 2 should you wish to:

- Consolidate number bonds to 10 and the relationship between the addition and subtraction families. For example: $9 + 1 = 10$ therefore $10 - 9 = 1$.
- Count in 2's, 5's and 10's.
- Practice the phonics sounds, visiting the Oxford Owl website and the YouTube channel to help your child to rehearse their sounds and allow them to become more familiar with them. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFCIq9GdxtQ
- Continue to use Bug Club and Mathletics to consolidate core reading and maths skills. Please get in touch if your child needs their username and password reissued.
- Practice your letter formation. The Oxford Owl website has some activities and examples of the letter formation for you to try.
- Develop writing by involving your children in every day writing tasks such as shopping lists. Encourage them to write postcards whilst you are on holiday or keep a diary of their activities over the summer.

As this has not been a typical end of term, we haven't been able to discuss 'Stranger Danger' with all of the children and how to keep safe on the internet, so we would like to point you in the direction of a website which can provide you with videos and activities to share with your children. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/>

We hope that you all have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing you in the new school year.

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