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BBC Home Schooling Resources

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you to inform you of some new learning resources that will be online and on your televisions **from Monday 20th April 2020**. The BBC has unveiled its **biggest push on education in its history** - ensuring that every child in the UK has the opportunity to continue to follow the appropriate core parts of the nation's school curriculum in these challenging times.

Each weekday, you will be able to find the following resources:

Bitesize Daily

Every day there will be six 20 minute programmes that will air on BBC iPlayer and BBC Red Button targeting six age groups, from 5 to 14, where teachers, experts and famous faces cover appropriate content for that year group. Each programme will be available on BBC iPlayer as well as having its own regular slot on BBC Red Button, aiding routine and daily structure.

Bitesize Daily Online

These shows are aimed at all children across the UK and split into age groups 5-7 years, 7-9 years, 9-11 years, 11-12, 12-13 years and 13-14 years

On social media, parents will be able to access further advice about teaching via [BBC Bitesize Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) which will be updated regularly with helpful guides.

BBC iPlayer

BBC iPlayer will serve up specially curated content to showcase the very best curriculum-related videos and programmes, organised by year group and subject.

BBC Sounds

Two brand new daily education podcasts will be available on BBC Sounds aimed at parents of primary and secondary pupils. Each episode will last around ten minutes and will be a guide to help families home schooling find content on the BBC that supports their education and wellbeing.

BBC Four

BBC Four will devote a block of programming each weekday evening to shows that support GCSE and A-Level curriculums to feed the brains of students during these shutdown days.

The specially curated resources will compliment the activities and resources that the teachers at St James are already uploading on a daily basis to our school website.

Kind regards

Christopher Tolson