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EAL NEWSLETTER

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Hello, we hope everyone is well. The EAL team are currently working from home but please do get in touch if you need any support with resources or advice.

Black Lives Matter

As we watch protests unfold throughout the world in support of the Black Lives Matter Movement both parents and teachers will wonder how to approach the issue with children and answer their questions.

Follow the link below to a resource aimed at 11-18 year olds which explores the Black Lives Movement.

<https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/black-lives-matter-resources-for-young-people>

A compilation of recommended books for 3 -11 year olds;

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/black-lives-matter>

Refugee Week (15th – 21st June 2020)

Theme 'Imagine a Kinder World'



Refugee Week is a great opportunity to develop understanding and empathy for our diverse community. This year's theme explores why refugees flee their home and what it's like to arrive somewhere new and away from family.

Follow the link below to access resources including a PowerPoint to use with pupils.

<https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-involved/teaching-resources/refugee-week-imagine-a-kinder-world>

COVID-19 Padlet

Resources for EAL learners are being periodically added to the EAL padlet. We recommend **Global Storybooks** which is a reading focused online resource. It can be accessed on a mobile phone as well as other electronic devices. It is available in a number of languages and includes booklet PDFs. Some resources are suitable for older pupils. Look for the high/low texts; "high interest" in content but "low vocabulary".

https://nlandeducation.padlet.org/gill_finch2/SupportForChildrenandFamilies

Mantralingua are offering free dual language ebooks until the end of August 2020



Mantralingua are opening access to their extensive library of ebooks to help families where English is not the first language.

Each book has a video and a set of activities to help build children's English language skills. The library covers reading ages from 3 to 15 years.


<https://uk.mantralingua.com/homereading>

EAL Apps


Many families have asked how they can support their children with learning English while they are at home. Here are some good ones from The British Council to direct parents to and they are FREE.

<https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/apps>


Home » General English




LearnEnglish Podcasts
LearnEnglish Podcasts app is a series of English learning podcasts to practise your English on the go.




LearnEnglish GREAT Videos
A series of short videos about UK culture. Explore London's museums and other famous sites in the UK.




LearnEnglish Grammar (UK Edition)
Improve your grammar skills with LearnEnglish Grammar, the #1 free educational mobile app.




LearnEnglish Sounds Right
Sounds Right is the British Council's first pronunciation chart for learners and teachers worldwide.



Learning Time with Timmy
Play exciting games and listen to the narrator to learn about numbers, colours, shapes and food in English with Timmy and his friends.



Learning Time with Timmy 2
Play three exciting games in this educational app to help your child learn words, phrases, and cognitive skills such as identifying and sorting.



Learning Time with Timmy 3
The third app in the 'Learning Time with Timmy' series features a new reading game, new videos, stickers and party themes to help young children

EAL Training

Hounslow are offering some of their most popular courses as webinars during this time. It's a great opportunity to upskill as these courses are usually held in London.

Thurs 25th June: Training for TAs – Key Strategies to Support EAL Learners

Tues 30th June: EAL Assessment, Target Setting and Tracking Progress for EAL Pupils

Thurs 2nd July: Induction for EAL Co-ordinators

Tues 7th July: Critical Reading—Developing Understanding, Inference & Analysis

Thurs 16th July: Rapid Progress in Vocabulary Development to Raise the Attainment of EAL pupils

Costs per 1.5 hour session

For schools: £250+ VAT for up to 20 staff

For individuals: £25 + VAT per person (**only 20 places available**)

If you would like to book a place, please contact:

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With best wishes

from the EAL Service

The EAL Service is free to schools and will continue to be free for the coming year 2020 - 2021. Academies are invited to buy into a Service Level Agreement.