Useful apps/ online learning tools

Audio books and e-books

<u>Oxford Owls</u>
The Oxford Owls website (https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/) has over 100 free e-books for parents to read with their children, for all levels and abilities. You do need to register and log in, but it doesn't cost anything to join!

The Oxford Owls website (https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/storyteller-videos/) also has lots of videos of popular stories, which XXX might like to watch and listen too.

<u>David Walliams</u>
David Walliams' website https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/activities/ has lots of free learning resources and audio books too.

<u>Audible</u>
Audible offer a range of audio books for free https://stories.audible.com/discovery

<u>Phonic Books</u>
Dandelion Launchers Units 1-7 iBooks are available from the Apple Store.
Unit 1 is free to download. Units 2-7 cost £2.99 each.
https://www.phonicbooks.co.uk/advice-and-resources/interactive-ibooks/

<u>The Big Red Bus Club</u>
Live storytelling everyday, Monday to Friday at 1.30pm
https://www.thebigredbusclub.com/online_daily_stories_1_30pm?splash=1

Phonic Books
Phonic Books has many free downloadable teaching resources available.
https://www.phonicbooks.co.uk/advice-and-resources/free-teaching-resources/

Young Minds
Support for parents in talking to their child about COVID-19.
https://youngminds.org.uk/blog/talking-to-your-child-about-coronavirus/

Twinkl

Primary Games, Videos and Audiobooks - Twinkl Go

Twinkl Go!

FREE throughout school closures, Twinkl Go! is our collection of thousands of interactive educational resources which can be accessed and completed on any device, with no apps to install. Perfect for sharing with parents at home or for those still in school - easy!

Access Twinkl Go! here

Puppet Pals
Puppet Pals is a free app (from the App Store or Google Play store) where the pupil can use their creative skills by choosing characters and scenes to make up her/his own stories. These stories can be recorded and played back.

Link to COVID-19 books

Available in English, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, French, Polish, Hebrew, Indonesian, German, Turkish, Russian, Egyptian Arabic, Arabic, Romanian, Hungarian, Greek, Danish, Serbian, Welsh, Croatian, Japanese, Chinese, Dutch and Persian.

https://www.mindheart.co/descargables

An e-book by Elizabeth Jenner, Kate Wilson and Nia Roberts, has been written specifically for children, to help them understand what Coronavirus is and how it may affect people. Please visit this website https://nosycrowcoronavirus.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/Coronavirus-ABookForChildren.pdf where you can download your own copy for free.

'Everybody Worries' e-book by Jon Burgerman
https://en.calameo.com/read/000777721945cfe5bb9cc?authid=Xu9pcOzU3TQx

'Dave the dog is worried about Coronavirus' e-book
https://nursedottybooks.files.wordpress.com/2020/03/dave-the-dog-coronavirus-1-1.pdf?fbclid=IwAR11WYpkdaDf5oiqzVppyf8-8sTzICo6998FktGp2D2jAcMY97-J3YnLwnw

Clicker

Clicker is available as a computer programme or an iPad app. It is a useful writing tool, which uses predictive text, picture support and can read back the text composed. Visit https://www.cricksoft.com/uk/clicker for more information.

Crick Soft are currently offering free access to use their Clicker 8/ Clicker Writer resources Clicker - Free trial | Crick Software

Touch Typing

If the pupil would like to practice their keyboard skills a free typing tutor is available at

- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr
- https://www.typingclub.com/

STEM Learning

The STEM Learning website has lots of free science, technology, engineering and maths resources and activities for families to do at home. Visit the website https://www.stem.org.uk/home-learning/family-activities for more information.

National Handwriting Association

The National Handwriting Association website contains some useful advice and free resources for parents to support handwriting at home: http://www.nha-handwriting.org.uk/handwriting/help-for-parents

Maths

- The National Numeracy website, www.familymathstoolkit.org.uk/ has a '*Maths Toolkit*' with ideas for parents to support numeracy at home in fun, engaging ways.
- The BBC Bitesize website also has a range of activities -http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths.
- iPad Apps, such as *Sums Stacker* and *Pop Maths* may also be helpful.
- The Oxford Owls website (https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/kids-activities/fun-maths-games-and-activities/) has lots of maths games and resources.
- Twinkl has some early Numicon activity ideas i.e. Number Shapes Number Line, Number Shapes Matching, One More One Less, Addition and Subtraction, which may be useful.
- The website https://www.mathsisfun.com/index.htm offers lots of games and activities.

Chester Zoo The Chester Zoo website https://www.chesterzoo.org/schools/resources/?search has lots of fun resources to learn about all their animals including fact files, colouring pages, games and singalong videos.
Longleat Virtual Zoo Safari Longleat Zoo released a 30 minute Virtual Safari of their zoo and their animals, which XXX may find interesting to watch https://www.longleat.co.uk/news/longleat-launches-virtual-safari
Nessy Nessy are currently offering a free trial for their reading and spelling app. You need to create an account but you don't need to provide any payment details. Visit the website https://www.nessy.com/free-trial/signup for more information.
The Woodland Trust The Woodland Trust has a list of fun nature- based activities for children. Visit https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2020/03/kids-nature-activities-self-isolation/ for full list of activity ideas.
National Geographic Kids The National Geopgraphic Kids website https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/ has lots of fun games and activities.
Minecraft Education Edition Minecraft is a game-based learning platform that promotes creativity, collaboration and problem solving in an immersive digital environment. Minecraft are currently offering a free 'coding' lesson where children learning the basics of coding. See the website https://education.minecraft.net/lessons/minecraft-hour-of-code/ for more information.
BBC Bitesize The BBC Bitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary website has lots of free resources and activities across the curriculum. The BBC are also providing live lessons covering various topics https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons
Microsoft Learning Tools When creating worksheets, consider using learning tools such as 'Immersive Reader' for One Note by Microsoft. This is a free downloadable add on which can be used to create accessible documents to support with decoding, reading fluency, comprehension and syllabification. For more information visit: • https://educationblog.microsoft.com/2018/10/microsoft-made-by-dyslexia-help-dyslexic-students-thrive/ • https://www.onenote.com/learningtools
See and Learn If the family have an iPad or android tablet (or if they could borrow one from school) or a laptop with Windows 10, the See and Learn Vocabulary apps may be useful (although these do come at cost of around £22.99). Like Word Up, it uses a whole word approach to building sight vocabulary of common words by matching, selecting and naming.
Nosy Crow The Nosy Crow website has lots of free downloadable resources https://nosycrow.com/free-resources/
Top Marks Lots of free, fun maths and English games and activities https://www.topmarks.co.uk/

The Space Place- NASA The Space Place website https://spaceplace.nasa.gov/menu/do/ has lots of fun, creative activities i.e. colouring pages, experiment ideas and fact files which XXX may enjoy.
The British Dyslexia Association The British Dyslexia Association https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/advice/children/how-can-i-support-my-child/reading has lots of useful tips, recommendations and some downloadable resources to support learning at home.
Popplet Lite The iPad app 'Popplet Lite' is a great app for creating mind maps, which will help Freida to think and learn visually. She can type, draw, add pictures and it has speech to text functions, which will be useful for recording her ideas. The app is free to download from the app store. For more information visit the https://popplet.com/ website. The Popplet blog http://blog.popplet.com/category/popplet-lite/ also has load of ideas for how to use the app.
Flamingo Chicks Online Makaton and subtitled dance classes for children Main website: https://flamingochicks.org/ YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmLfRBnlPOmUiRw_wuILDWg
Scholastic Scholastic have created a bank of free resources based on the Julia Donaldson books including 'The Highway Rat', 'Zog' and 'The Stick Man' https://resource-bank.scholastic.co.uk/content/FREE-Julia-Donaldson-and-Axel-Scheffler-Home-Learning-Packs-40114