

Dear colleagues

We hope you are all keeping safe and well and coping with the demands of these very challenging times. We just wanted to touch base with you all to reassure you that we are here to help and offer any support we can and to let you know that we are continuing to do what we can to continue to develop the important role of Roade English Hub.

As you may know, we have been busy setting up our Roade English Hub website and portal over the last few weeks and are excited to announce that they are both now up and running. The website and is open to all schools and contains up to date information. The website has information about Roade English Hub; the areas we cover, what we can offer eligible schools, important documents, contact information, a parent's information page and a direct feed to our event booking system. The website address is www.roadeenglishhub.co.uk.

In addition to this, there is a special portal which can only be accessed by our medium and partner schools using the link below. We are currently researching and collating as many useful resources as we can to load onto the portal for you to access and use. We have started by adding a section for parents to help them support their children with phonics and reading whilst at home. This includes a range of short, easy to use and access video clips with top tips and activities they can do at home.

<https://www.roadeenglishhub.co.uk/Security/login?BackURL=%2Fportal%2F>

At a later date, we will be adding resources for teachers, including videos of lessons and examples of good practice. We would be very interested to know what else you would find useful so please feel free to feedback your ideas on how we can develop the website further.

We are aware that some of the LS day visits planned over the last few weeks had to be postponed due to the current situation and may not take place for some time. Although we have not been able to continue with the planned programme, we would still very much like to celebrate the impact of the development of phonics and reading in your schools over the last year. In order to acknowledge this, and to celebrate the many successes you have seen, we would like to gather and capture some evidence of this.

We have designed a very brief questionnaire which we would like you to complete in order to evaluate the impact of the work you have done over the last year. We will send this information on to you in June to start the ball rolling. We are very excited to hear more about the wide range of improvements you have seen in your schools and find out what more we can do to support moving forward into next year.

In the meantime, please stay in touch and feel free to contact us at any time if you need anything or if we can support you in any way. We hope you find the resource pack for parent useful.

Stay safe and happy and keep reading!

Best wishes

Roade English Hub