

### Barefoot Computing Newsletter

The COVID 19 pandemic has changed life and work for all of us, in ways that we could not have imagined before.

In response to these exceptional times, the team here at Barefoot Computing have made every effort to support our teaching and parent communities.



#### Launch of At Home...

At the beginning of May we launched our new home learning section on our website, which brought together lots of free resources to support parents and carers whilst children were spending more of their time at home due to lockdown. Now they have become part of the suite of resources on the Barefoot website available as home learning to complement the in school lessons and activities. This area will be

added to as new resources are released to ensure there is an activity for children to follow up at home - supporting schools and families if there are additional local lockdowns or just as general fun related activities.

#### Mini missions

Our quick and easy to do mini activities provide fun ideas to get children practising their computational thinking skills.

#### Interactive Learning Games

We have also created some fantastic online games for children to explore. These fun activities are Barefoot inspired and apply computational thinking concepts to promote learning while playing.

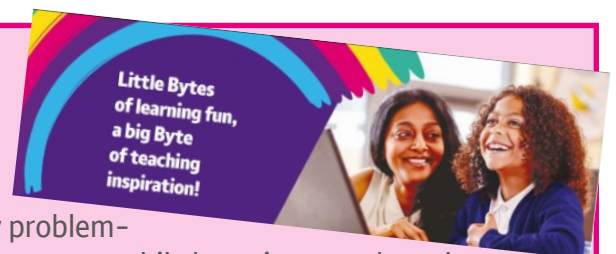
Links to articles in this issue:

- ◆ [New Parent Resources](#)
- ◆ [New Barefoot Bytes](#)
- ◆ [Barefoot Online](#)
- ◆ [BT's Top Tech Tips](#)

#### Introducing Barefoot Bytes for teachers...

Here you'll find a fantastic range of activities that are great for slotting in between lessons to keep pupils engaged and excited about learning again.

These Bytes are designed to teach children about the necessary problem-solving skills they need, such as algorithms, decomposition and patterns while boosting morale and injecting fun back into the classroom.



#### Barefoot Online...

To support our teaching community, we have adapted our existing Computational Thinking and Programming Workshops to be delivered remotely.

These new online events have proven to be really popular with our network of teachers

To book a place on one of our workshops, please contact the team on [enquiries@barefootcomputing.org](mailto:enquiries@barefootcomputing.org)

#### BT Top Tech Tips...

BT have joined up with ITV and well known celebrities to create Top Tips on Tech - a series of videos and guides to help you, your family and friends learn about different technologies and how to get the most out of them.