

## On Line Resources

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we've decided to give you a few ideas of things you can do to help your child to learn.

Our suggestion is that you give your days some routine and maybe dedicate an hour or two to learning.

This list of educational on-line resources has been compiled by the staff of the school. We hope that they will be of use to you and your children at this time. Remember that getting outside (with social distancing), exercise, doing, making, talking, storytime etc are all equally important for you and your child's wellbeing. We include a few ideas for activities at the end

## Educational Publishers

free access to their books and/or on-line resources

Resource	Web address	Subject	Class(es)	Notes
Edco Digital	<a href="https://edcolearning.ie/login">https://edcolearning.ie/login</a>	E Books	All	Username : primaryedcobooks Use code <b>edco2020</b>
CJ Fallon	<a href="https://my.cjfallon.ie/dashboard/student-resources/?levels=0&amp;classes=0&amp;subjects=0&amp;serieses=0&amp;booktitles=0&amp;types%5B0%5D=Book+Sample">https://my.cjfallon.ie/dashboard/student-resources/?levels=0&amp;classes=0&amp;subjects=0&amp;serieses=0&amp;booktitles=0&amp;types%5B0%5D=Book+Sample</a>	E Books	All	
Folens	<a href="https://FolensOnline.ie">https://FolensOnline.ie</a>	E Books	All	Click register Select teacher Fill in username, email and password For Roll Number enter the code: <b>Prim20</b>

## Class and Subject based resources

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Designer Minds	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/designerminds.ie/">https://www.facebook.com/designerminds.ie/</a>	SESE	All	Daily Explorer challenges, keeping it simple, so our challenges can be done with equipment that we hope most houses should have.
Jolly Phonics	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOIPc7fIEIQycPit0lcODHA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOIPc7fIEIQycPit0lcODHA</a>	Phonics	Infants	Letter names and stories
Rhyming games and activities	<a href="https://www.turtlediary.com/game/rhyming-words.html">https://www.turtlediary.com/game/rhyming-words.html</a> <a href="https://www.education.com/game/match-rhyming-words/">https://www.education.com/game/match-rhyming-words/</a> <a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?q=online%20rhyming%20games">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?q=online%20rhyming%20games</a> <a href="https://thisreadingmama.com/printable-phonics-activities/">https://thisreadingmama.com/printable-phonics-activities/</a> <a href="https://sightwords.com/phonemic-awareness/rhyming/">https://sightwords.com/phonemic-awareness/rhyming/</a>	Rhyming	Infants	Rhyming games and activities to support phonological awareness.
Polka Dot Tots  Oxford Owl	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGH1FPGGcZQ9wgXFJBj3Fw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGH1FPGGcZQ9wgXFJBj3Fw</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClIFxIfCNYQvsRepWxT7n8A">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClIFxIfCNYQvsRepWxT7n8A</a>	Story	Infants	Stories read aloud. Drawing activities could stem from them. Oral language development. Retelling events of the story in children's own words.
Dolch Lists and Games	<a href="https://www.sess.ie/sites/default/files/Resources/Cirricular_Material/DolchWord_List_220.pdf">https://www.sess.ie/sites/default/files/Resources/Cirricular_Material/DolchWord_List_220.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.dolchword.net/dolch-pre-primer-games.html">http://www.dolchword.net/dolch-pre-primer-games.html</a>	Sight Words	All	100 most frequently used sight words. Games and activities to support the recall of these words.
Starfall	<a href="https://www.starfall.com/h/index-kindergarten.php?mg=k">https://www.starfall.com/h/index-kindergarten.php?mg=k</a>	Literacy	Infants	Reading activities

				incorporating word families.
Topmarks	<a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/</a>	Maths	All	
Twinkl	<a href="https://www.twinkl.ie/offer">https://www.twinkl.ie/offer</a>	Variety of Subjects	All	Free resources using the code IRLTWINKLHELPS
GoNoodle	<a href="https://www.gonoodle.com/for-families/">https://www.gonoodle.com/for-families/</a>	Movement	All	Movement break, songs, dances, mindfulness activities
Scoilnet	<a href="https://www.scoilnet.ie/">https://www.scoilnet.ie/</a>	All Areas	All	Variety of resources and stories
Planet Maths	<a href="https://www.folensonline.ie/home/library/programmes/planet-mathsji/ebook/">https://www.folensonline.ie/home/library/programmes/planet-mathsji/ebook/</a>	Maths	All	E-books
Dublin Zoo	<a href="https://www.dublinozoo.ie/animals/animal-webcams/african-savanna/">https://www.dublinozoo.ie/animals/animal-webcams/african-savanna/</a>	SESE	All	Webcams that give a live stream to some animals in Dublin Zoo
Art for Kids Hub Draw so Cute	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/ArtforKidsHub">https://www.youtube.com/user/ArtforKidsHub</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3dEvA1is6-0_yuei9iCdEw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3dEvA1is6-0_yuei9iCdEw</a>	Art	All	Step by step guided drawing.
Speld	<a href="https://www.speld-sa.org.au/services/phonic-books.html">https://www.speld-sa.org.au/services/phonic-books.html</a>	Literacy	Infants	Small paper books that the children can decode by themselves.
Brain Breaks	<a href="https://www.heart.org/idc/groups/heart-public/@wcm/@fc/documents/downloadable/ucm_455767.pdf">https://www.heart.org/idc/groups/heart-public/@wcm/@fc/documents/downloadable/ucm_455767.pdf</a>	Movement Breaks	All	Exercises and activities for breaks in between school work

## SEN/EAL/Reading Recovery Resources

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Learn English	<a href="http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/">http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/</a>	EAL	All	Stories, songs, vocabulary, phonics, games and fun
Dublin Zoo	<a href="https://www.dublinozoo.ie/news/dublinozoofun/">https://www.dublinozoo.ie/news/dublinozoofun/</a>	EAL		Worksheets and information about a new animal every day. Colouring competition included.
Phonics	<a href="https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-2">https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-2</a> <a href="https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-3">https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-3</a> <a href="https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-4">https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/list/phonics-games-phase-4</a>	Reading Recovery		
Oxford Owls Reading	<a href="https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/which-reading-level-stage/">https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/which-reading-level-stage/</a>	Reading Recovery		Oxford Owls allows parents to choose an appropriate reading level (free access)
<b>SEN resources may be found in SEN document</b>				

# Activities

## The Daily News

This task can be done with any age from Junior Infants to 6th class. It can be done in a number of ways but here is a suggestion for 2 different age groups:

Infants to 1st Class	2nd Class Upwards
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Child tells you the news they have for the day. Stick to things in their own life rather than focusing on the news on the radio or TV.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The day, the date, the weather outside</li><li>○ 1 or 2 things they did yesterday</li></ul></li><li>• Write down what they tell you on a whiteboard or piece of paper.</li><li>• Child either types out what you've written or copies it down in a journal or copybook.</li><li>• You can create your own little newsroom on the kitchen table or you can use Green Screen apps on an iPad and record your child reading their news.</li><li>• You can upload the video and send it to loved ones to keep in touch.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Child writes/types their news as well as news happening outside the world.</li><li>• You can create your own little newsroom on the kitchen table or you can use Green Screen apps on an iPad and record your child reading their news.</li><li>• You can upload the video and send it to loved ones to keep in touch.</li></ul>

## Read a Book with a Parent

Snuggle up on the couch and spend ten minutes reading for no other reason than the joy of reading a book. Of course, there are loads of benefits to reading every day but what a nice time to drop everything for a short time.

## Audible Stories – free website with audio books – <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Free stories for kids of all ages, Audible Stories is a free website where kids can listen to hundreds of Audible audio titles across six different languages for free, so they can keep learning, dreaming and just being kids.

## Body and Mind

Put on your favourite upbeat playlist and try out these exercises one after the other. To give yourself a bigger challenge, do each circuit twice or three times or more! Try exercises outside (keeping social distance!)

Session 1 - 5 x 25	Session 2 - legs moving	Session 3 - up and down
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 25 jumping jacks</li><li>2. 25 squats</li><li>3. 25 seconds run on the spot</li><li>4. 25 push ups</li><li>5. 25 seconds plank</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 30 seconds run on the spot</li><li>2. 30 seconds high knees</li><li>3. 30 seconds jumping jacks</li><li>4. 30 seconds butt kicks</li><li>5. 30 seconds jog on the spot</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 30 seconds jumping jacks</li><li>2. 30 seconds mountain climbers</li><li>3. 30 seconds run on the spot</li><li>4. 30 seconds plank</li><li>5. 30 seconds burpees!</li></ol>

## Get Outside

Try out as many of these exercises outside (keeping social distance!)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cycle your bike for 10 minutes</li><li>• Go for a walk</li><li>• Ride your scooter for 10 minutes</li><li>• Draw your own hopscotch with chalk and play</li><li>• Throw a ball against a wall and catch</li><li>• Create your own obstacle course</li><li>• Run for 5 minutes</li><li>• 10 minutes of free play outside</li><li>• If possible walk home from school one day</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jump on your trampoline</li><li>• Walk your dog</li><li>• Bubble bashing - get someone to blow bubbles for you to try and burst all of them</li><li>• Do 3 laps of your house or up and down the hall 10 times</li><li>• Keepie uppies - how many can you do in a row?</li><li>• Skip sideways up and down the garden 5 times</li></ul>
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## Skype with a Relative

This can be a nice idea if you have a family member who may have to self-isolate or who you may not be able to visit. It's a way for children to use oral language and it might be a nice kind of game to play to keep boredom away.

Ideas include:

1. Play 20 questions - take turns in thinking of an object and the other person can only ask questions which have a yes or no answer.
2. A-Z - Pick a topic and take turns in naming something beginning with A then B then C and see if you can get to Z Without skipping any letters.
3. The Big Interview - child prepares 10 questions they'd like to know about the relative and then asks them
4. More ideas here: <https://www.fluentu.com/blog/educator-english/esl-vocabulary-games/>

## Irish Times

Even if you can't speak Irish, there are some great ways to pick up some vocabulary. One really easy activity is to pick a topic, for example: food, household objects, colours, and so on, then write down 20 words associated with that topic in a list. Next go to <https://www.focloir.ie/en/> and translate the words. The great thing is that almost every word on the website has an audio recording of it so you can listen to how to pronounce the words!

## A Sketch A Day

If you have a copybook or sketchpad, this would be useful but you don't really need anything except paper and a pencil. Your job is to create one sketch a day for the duration of the project. If you like, you can pick a theme. E.g.

- Healthy Foods
- Happy Things
- Things that need batteries
- Famous People
- Objects that are usually red

## Cool Patterns

Patterns are everywhere - some of them simple like the sequence of a traffic light and some of them are really difficult like the swirls on a snail's shell. Your job is to make a pattern using any medium you want. You could draw in 2 different colours or you could build a tower using Lego with different patterned levels. You could even write a long sequence of numbers that follow a pattern. Be inventive and try and think of something someone else might not do.

## Puppet Show

Making a puppet show can be a fun way to spend some time and there's lots of different ways to do it now.

1. Make a sock puppet - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-mfUBQE3\\_s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-mfUBQE3_s)
2. Make finger puppets - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6eq370x\\_lvo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6eq370x_lvo)
3. Make an online Puppet Show - Puppet Pals App

The main thing is to write the scripts and record them! If you have a puppet show stage, great; if not, use a table to hide underneath!  
Share the video with your family