It continues to be a stressful time for parents, particularly for those who have to work from home while trying to keep children amused and educated.

For however long this goes on, we will be helping parents and students access the best resources to learn from home.

The good news is there are tonnes of resources out there to meet the needs of children of all ages and stages. Here are just a few you might find helpful:

***Maths***  
[Khan Academy](http://khanacademy.org/)  
Nonprofit site that provides free video tutorials in maths and reading.

[https://ie.ixl.com](https://ie.ixl.com/) a wide range of skills and lessons in both Maths and English and covering all age groups as well

Topmarks( <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

Nrich Maths the website covers a wide range of maths activities and games for all levels across the school and no log in is required.

Maths Playground ( <https://www.mathplayground.com/> )

mathsweek.ie This website has lots of daily maths problems for all ages as well as a host of other maths related games and activities

**English**

[Storyberries.com](http://storyberries.com/)  
This is a free, online collection of easy-to-read and beautifully illustrated stories, comics and poems for kids. You can select stories by theme

[Starfall](http://www.starfall.com/) - This is a brilliant website for practising phonics. It is also very helpful for parents, as it says the sound that each letter makes in the English alphabet.

[Help my kid learn](http://www.helpmykidlearn.ie/) - A wonderful website which is full of ideas for learning, initiated by the Irish Department of Education and Skills. The site can be tailored to suit the age of your child. Check it out!

<http://www.speakaboos.com/stories> Speakaboos brings classic children’s entertainment into a digital world. Many of the resources on this site require a subscription but there are currently over 30 free animated talking stories on offer. The full text is also available for each story. Speakaboos’ resources fall into six genres: Fables, Fairy Tales, Folk Tales, Nursery Rhymes and Songs

[www.getepic.com](http://www.getepic.com) – a great website to unlock a world of reading and learning (30 day free trial)

**oxfordowl.co.uk** Helpful website for a range of age levels in both English and Maths

**Gaeilge:**

[Cúla4](http://www.cula4.com/) (cula4.com)  
This free Irish app from TG4 is aimed at two groups: Cúla4 na nÓg is aimed at under-sixes, while Cúla4 is aimed at older children. As well as TV shows, there are games and creativity sections.

<https://soundcloud.com/search?q=walker%20eireann>

https://soundcloud.com/forasnagaeilge/sets/an-gum-1

 (Beautiful stories read in Irish

<https://www.seideansi.ie/an-aimsir-laithreach.php>

Séideán Sí a wonderful website covering all strands of Irish across the school age groups

[Selection of primary resources](http://padlet.com/ciarareillymarino/primarydistancelearning)  
Ciara Reilly is a former primary teacher and now a lecturer in education with expertise in ICT and digital education at Marino Institute of Education. She has compiled an outstanding bank of resources at [padlet.com/ciarareillymarino/primarydistancelearning](http://padlet.com/ciarareillymarino/primarydistancelearning), including Irish resources.

**Physical Education**

[Go Noodle](http://gonoodle.com/) (gonoodle.com)  
Movement and mindfulness videos created by child development experts and used widely by teachers who say it is a great opportunity for kids to wake up their bodies, engage their minds and be their best.

[**https://rtejr.rte.ie/10at10/**](https://rtejr.rte.ie/10at10/)

A great website on RTE Junior for a daily exercise routine and available through Irish and English

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhI0v-w>

Joe Wicks The Body Coach on Youtube for fun work outs

**Visual Arts:**

<http://www.iamanartist.ie/> Bringing the visual arts to life for you all

[https://www.nationalgallery.ie](https://www.nationalgallery.ie/) a wonderful website allowing you explore the treasures of the National Gallery especially now as it closed to the public at this time

**General Supports covering a range of subjects**

[Twinkl.ie](http://twinkl.ie/)  
Created by teachers, ideal for home education, it has lots of appealing games, stories, worksheets, etc. It is offering a free month’s subscription (enter offer code: IRLTWINKLHELPS)  
  
['School on TV'](https://www.rte.ie/news/2020/0320/1124339-rte-to-launch-school-on-tv-teaching-initiative/)  
RTÉ is planning to broadcast an hour of ["school on TV"](https://www.rte.ie/news/2020/0320/1124339-rte-to-launch-school-on-tv-teaching-initiative/) to support children and their parents at home from March 30th between 11am and 12pm, aimed at first to sixth class pupils. It will be available on catch-up on RTE Player, while worksheets will be available at on [RTE.ie/learn](https://www.rte.ie/learn/)

worldbookonline.com (sese) A great resource to support pupils researching all sorts of topics and working on projects.

**Padlets for all class levels**

[Padlet](https://padlet.com/) is a free, online "virtual wall" tool where users can express thoughts on topics of their choice. It's like a piece of paper, but on the Web

<https://padlet.com/ffarry1/jnrsnr>

[padlet.com/ffarry1/firsec](https://padlet.com/ffarry1/firsec)

[padlet.com/ffarry1/thifou](https://padlet.com/ffarry1/thifou)

[padlet.com/ffarry1/fifthsixth – fifth and sixth class](https://padlet.com/ffarry1/fifthsixth%20–%20fifth%20and%20sixth%20class  )

**School Books online**

Here are some ways to access school books online

[https://www.folensonline.ie](https://www.folensonline.ie/)

1. Click register
2. select Teacher
3. Fill in any username, email and password
4. For ‘roll number’ use the code PRIM20

<https://my.cjfallon.ie/>

1. Click ‘Student Resources’
2. Filter to the year group and book title you require
3. make sure ‘Online Book’ is selected under resources

<https://www.edcolearning.ie/>

1. Click ‘Log in’
2. Username – primaryedcobooks
3. Password – edco2020https://
4. Free online access to curriculum linked magazines [www.newsmagmedia.ie/](http://www.newsmagmedia.ie/)

**The Primary Planet (9-12-year-olds)**

**News Flash  (7-10-year-olds)**

**Eipic (Irish language news magazine for 11+)**

<https://soundcloud.com/forasnagaeilge/sets/an-gum-1>