

## ***School Closure - Extension Work***

*The following booklet sets out various activities, apps, websites, YouTube and podcast suggestions as well as online subscriptions to various educational resources. They cover each medium of education from Maths and Gaeilge to Art and Engineering*

*These are suggested activities and are not required to be completed.*

*Our aim is to make this unforeseen closure as easy as possible for you and we hope that by providing this booklet, we may be able to alleviate some pressure you may be facing at this time.*

*All the 'work mats' will be available underneath this booklet to download as a PDF should you wish to print them out.*

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## Home Activities - Work Mats

The following work mats have been created as a checklist for your children to work through. Children would colour, tick or put an 'x' through the activity once it's complete. These activities are extremely accessible and for the most part, the children can work through the list independently. These work mats have been categorised into the Junior, Middle and Senior end of the school. Choose the mat which best reflects your child's stage in school. All these files can also be downloaded below this blog should you wish to print them out.

### Junior Children:

Home Activities! Colour in all the ones you get done!						
Bake a cake	Play I Spy	Sort your toys by size	Make up a quiz	Paint something	Pair your socks	Blow some bubbles
Sing the alphabet song	Make up a new game. Use your imagination.	Keep a diary	Take a GoNoodle break (gonoodle.com)	Practise counting groups of objects (Juniors – up to 10, Seniors – up to 20)	Roll 2 dice. Add the numbers together	Investigate! Do your toys float or sink?
Do a jigsaw	Watch something on Cúla4/ TG4	Play Snap or another card game	Go on a shape hunt! <small>Find circles, squares, rectangles, triangles</small>	Help to make lunch or dinner	Make some patterns	Spend some time outside every day
Build something!	Design a new cover for your favourite book	Write a shopping list	Play Snakes and Ladders (or another game)	Sort your toys by colour	Read something every day	Hide something and make a treasure map to find it.
Draw your favourite animal	Make some junk art	Find something longer/ shorter than you/ your arm/	Play with water. How many cups does it take to fill the pot? Which one holds more/ less?	Go colouring!	Talk about which months your family have birthdays	Clean your bedroom
Play with some playdough	Make your bed	Plant some seeds	Make your own book	Play shop with money (up to 5c for Juniors, up to 10/20c for Seniors)	Do some rainbow writing of words that you know	Pick up ten toys and put them away
Play in the garden	Fold your clothes	Practise writing the names of the people in your family	Practise tying your laces	Cut something out	Read a story to your sibling/ pet	Build a fort!

## Middle Children:

### Home Activities: Middle Classes Colour in each box when completed!

Mangahigh	Keep a <b>diary</b> every day for a week	Help Bake a cake	Watch something on <b>TG4/ Cúla 4</b>	Help Set the table	<b>Exercise</b> Break-Joe Wicks for Kids (Youtube)	What Job do you want to have when you grow up? Why? <b>-Describe</b> the job (Write/Draw)	Typing Skills- <a href="https://www.kidztype.com">https://www.kidztype.com</a>	Build a fort!
Write a <b>thank you letter</b> to someone	Write a <b>story</b>	Practise your <b>times tables</b> adding/ subtracting	Do a <b>report</b> on your favourite animal	<b>Help</b> out at home	<b>Write</b> "My News"	<b>Experiment:</b> Floating/Sinking -Make a list of items in your home that float/sink	Make a <b>book</b>	Make <b>menu</b> for a restaurant
<b>Exercise</b> Break-10@10 (Youtube)	Make/ Do a <b>wordsearch</b> <a href="http://superteacherworksheets.com/generator-word-search.html">superteacherworksheets.com/generator-word-search.html</a>	Find & List objects that are <b>longer/shorter</b> than you/your arm/your hand etc.	<b>Tidy</b> your bedroom	<b>Exercise</b> Break-Joe Wicks for Kids (Youtube)	Practise tying your <b>shoe laces</b>	<b>Capacity:</b> Play with Water Investigate: How many cups does it take to fill a jug/pot/bucket etc.	<b>Exercise</b> Break-10@10 (Youtube)	<b>Draw</b> a picture of someone in your family
Help make <b>lunch/dinner</b>	Make a <b>summer bucket list</b>	<b>Make</b> junk art	Book <b>Review- My Favourite book...</b>	Make up a <b>new game!</b>	<b>Help Sort</b> your wardrobe-make a bag for charity	<b>Draw</b> a new cover for your favourite book	Practise your <b>spellings</b>	<b>Draw</b> your favourite animal
Learn a <b>new song</b>	Help Fill/Empty the dishwasher	Play a <b>board game</b>	<b>Read</b>	draw your <b>family tree</b>	<b>Write</b> a shopping list	Go on a <b>2D or 3D shape</b> hunt around you house. List/Draw what you find-name the shape!	<b>Exercise</b> Break-gonoodle.com	Cosmic Kids- <b>Exercise/Yoga</b>



# Senior Children:

## Home Activities: Senior Classes Colour in each box when completed!

Mangahigh- 20 minutes	Keep a <b>diary</b> every day for a week	<b>Bake</b> a cake	Watch something on <b>TG4/ Cúla 4</b> - make a <b>comic strip</b> about it	Set the table	<b>Exercise Break</b> - Joe Wicks for Kids (Youtube)	What Job do you want to have when you grow up? Why? <b>-Describe</b> the job (Write)	Typing Skills- <a href="https://www.kidztype.com">https://www.kidztype.com</a>	<b>Research</b> a person that you admire- Write a <b>biography</b>
Write a <b>thank you letter</b> to someone	Write a <b>story</b>	Practise your <b>times tables</b> (roll 2 dice & multiply the numbers)	Do a <b>report</b> on your favourite animal	<b>Help</b> out at home	<b>Read Quietly</b> - 15mins	<b>Experiment:</b> Floating/Sinking -Make a list of items in your home that float/sink	Create a <b>book</b> to share with the infants	Create & Design your ideal <b>menu</b> for a restaurant
<b>Exercise Break</b> - 10@10 (Youtube)	Make/ Do a <b>wordsearch</b> <a href="http://superteacherworksheets.com/generator-word-search.html">superteacherworksheets.com/generator-word-search.html</a>	List & <b>Measure the length</b> of objects in your home	<b>Tidy</b> your bedroom	<b>Exercise Break</b> - Joe Wicks for Kids (Youtube)	List & <b>Measure the weight</b> of objects in your home	Write a <b>persuasive essay</b> for or against 1 of these statements- -"the school day should be shorter" -"children should not have to wear school uniforms"	<b>Exercise Break</b> - 10@10 (Youtube)	<b>Draw</b> what you think your town will look like in 100 years!
Help make <b>lunch/dinner</b>	Make a <b>summer bucket list</b>	<b>Read Quietly</b> - 15mins	<b>Book Review</b>	<b>Design &amp; Make</b> a board game	<b>Sort</b> your wardrobe- make a bag for charity	Using Public Transport <b>Timetables</b> (online) Plan how you would travel from Naas to _____ (choose a town in Ireland)	Practise your <b>times tables</b>	Make a holiday <b>brochure</b> for your favourite place
Learn a <b>new song</b>	Fill/Empty the dishwasher	Play a <b>board game</b>	<b>Read Quietly</b> - 15mins	Research & draw your <b>family tree</b>	Hoover a room or the car	Cosmic Kids- <b>Exercise/Yoga</b>	<b>Exercise Break</b> - gonoodle.com	<b>Mangahigh</b> - 20 minutes



## Websites

The following suggested websites are alternatives to written work for the children while providing an educational purpose. There are a vast amount of websites available and the following are a sample which has appropriate content and targeted learning.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="https://www.freckle.com">Freckle.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.lexialearning.com">Lexialearning.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.starfall.com">Starfall.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.mysteryscience.com">Mysteryscience.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.readworks.org">Readworks.org</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.stmath.com">STMath.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.khanacademy.org">KhanAcademy.org</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.gonoodle.com">Gonoodle.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.abcya.com">Abcya.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.xtramath.org">Xtramath.org</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.zearn.org">Zearn.org</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.mangahigh.com">Mangahigh.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.kahoot.it">Kahoot.it</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.youcubed.org">Youcubed.org</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.mathsgames.com">Mathsgames.com</a></li><li>- Hour of Code</li><li>- Scriblitt</li><li>- Daily 10: times tables</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <a href="https://www.doodlemaths.com">Doodlemaths.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk">Topmarks.co.uk</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.mashupmath.com/freemathpuzzles/">Mashupmath.com/freemathpuzzles/</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.mathplayground.com">Mathplayground.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.timestables.com">Timestables.com</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.cula4.com/en/cula4-nog/shows/scealanlae/">https://www.cula4.com/en/cula4-nog/shows/scealanlae/</a></li><li>- <a href="http://www.rrr.ie/">http://www.rrr.ie/</a></li><li>- <a href="http://subh.ie/bunscoil/">http://subh.ie/bunscoil/</a></li><li>- <a href="http://www.leighleat.com/">http://www.leighleat.com/</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education/eleathanach">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education/eleathanach</a></li><li>- <a href="https://songsinirish.com/">https://songsinirish.com/</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.anmuinteoir.ie/">https://www.anmuinteoir.ie/</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.typinggames.zone">Typinggames.zone</a></li><li>- <a href="https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/">https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/</a></li><li>- <a href="http://www.nicurriculum.org.uk/snas_ar_sceal/">http://www.nicurriculum.org.uk/snas_ar_sceal/</a></li><li>- <a href="https://www.seideansi.ie/">https://www.seideansi.ie/</a></li></ul> |
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## Apps

The following suggested apps are alternatives to written work for the children while providing an educational purpose. These apps can be downloaded and used on smart devices and do not require a computer/laptop for use. There are a vast amount of apps available and the following are a sample which has appropriate content and targeted learning.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bookcreator</li><li>- Jolly Phonics</li><li>- RazKids</li><li>- Epic</li><li>- Vooks</li><li>- MagneticABC</li><li>- TenFrames</li><li>- ABCMouse</li><li>- Monster Maths</li><li>- Eggy Words</li><li>- WebPix Kids Poems</li><li>- Story Cubes</li><li>- Word Magic</li><li>- Kids Opedia</li><li>- Do ink</li><li>- Quiver 3D</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Starfall</li><li>- Let's Read</li><li>- Duolingo</li><li>- Kahoot</li><li>- Sumdog</li><li>- SumWOrdz</li><li>- SplashMaths</li><li>- Scratch</li><li>- Code Academy</li><li>- Phonics Genius</li><li>- Puppet Pals</li><li>- Time to learn</li><li>- Thinking Blocks</li><li>- Math Stretch</li><li>- Cúla Caint</li><li>- Sock puppets</li></ul>
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## Youtube

YouTube can also be used as a source of learning. The following are suggested profiles on YouTube which can be used if deemed necessary. These links range from read aloud books to art work. Children can follow directed drawing from the YouTube to create an art piece.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Kids Learning Tube</li><li>- FreeSchool</li><li>- Homeschool Pop</li><li>- StoryBots</li><li>- Khan Academy</li><li>- Smithsonian Channel</li><li>- The Brain Scoop</li><li>- Word World PBS</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- TED-ED</li><li>- Sci Show Kids</li><li>- National Geographic Kids</li><li>- Peekaboo Kids</li><li>- Storyline Online</li><li>- Story time with Ms. Becky</li><li>- KidTimeStoryTime</li><li>- Art for Kids Hub</li></ul>
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## Podcasts

Educational Podcasts can be used as a relaxed method of learning while also developing the child's listening skills. The following podcast suggestions can be listened to and the child can be questioned on what the main points of the podcast were, who was speaking, etc.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Brains On</li><li>- Six Minutes</li><li>- But Why: A podcast for Curious Kids</li><li>- Story Pirates</li><li>- KidNuz</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Circle Round</li><li>- Smash Boom Best</li><li>- Wow in the World</li><li>- Eleanor Amplified</li><li>- The Two Princes</li><li>- Ear Snacks</li></ul>
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## Brain Breaks

Teachers use brain breaks between lessons to give the children a break from long periods of concentration and to increase energy for the next lesson. These breaks could be extremely useful if you find your child is lacking in concentration at certain periods and needs an energy boost.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 10 squats</li><li>- Chinese Whispers</li><li>- Simon Says</li><li>- Dance Break</li><li>- Joe Wicks Workout</li><li>- Mirror-Mirror</li><li>- Stretch</li><li>- Jog on the spot</li><li>- Boggle</li><li>- 10 push ups</li><li>- Riddle</li><li>- Spin x3</li><li>- Silent Song</li><li>- Breathe</li><li>- 10 sit ups</li><li>- Guess Who</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Invisible picture</li><li>- Give me 5</li><li>- Categories</li><li>- Stand up/Sit down</li><li>- Tables Champ</li><li>- Countdown</li><li>- Squat Clap</li><li>- Would you rather</li><li>- Rock, paper, scissors</li><li>- 20 jumping jaks</li><li>- Shoulder to shoulder</li><li>- You've got to get it wrong</li><li>- Verb &amp; Adverb</li><li>- Draw</li><li>- Buzz off</li></ul> |
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## Online Educational Subscriptions

The following online subscriptions are an excellent way to gain digital access to textbooks and workbooks which are used in school. Other online subscriptions allow access to a vast array of educational resources.



### Twinkl:

Twinkl is providing a free month. It has many visual downloads, stories, activities and lessons available.

Setting this up is really easy to do - go to [www.twinkl.ie/offer](http://www.twinkl.ie/offer) and enter the code **IRLTWINKLHELPS**. We'd like your support to get this message out. We've also put together some guidance which outlines several ideas for how schools can support parents during school closures. Please visit [our blog](#) for more information. *This code will only work for new memberships. If you are an existing member with a Core or Extra membership, please get in touch and we will upgrade you to Ultimate right away.*

### Dabledoomusic:

Dabledoo provide free music lesson and activities. This site is extremely interactive is packed full of fun activities for children to participate in.



### Gonoodle:

Many teachers use gonoodle in their classes to stimulate learning through physical activity. Gonoodle also provide more relaxed methods of concentration.



### CosmicKids:

Cosmickids provides lots of fun yoga for your children to participate in.



### Scoilnet:

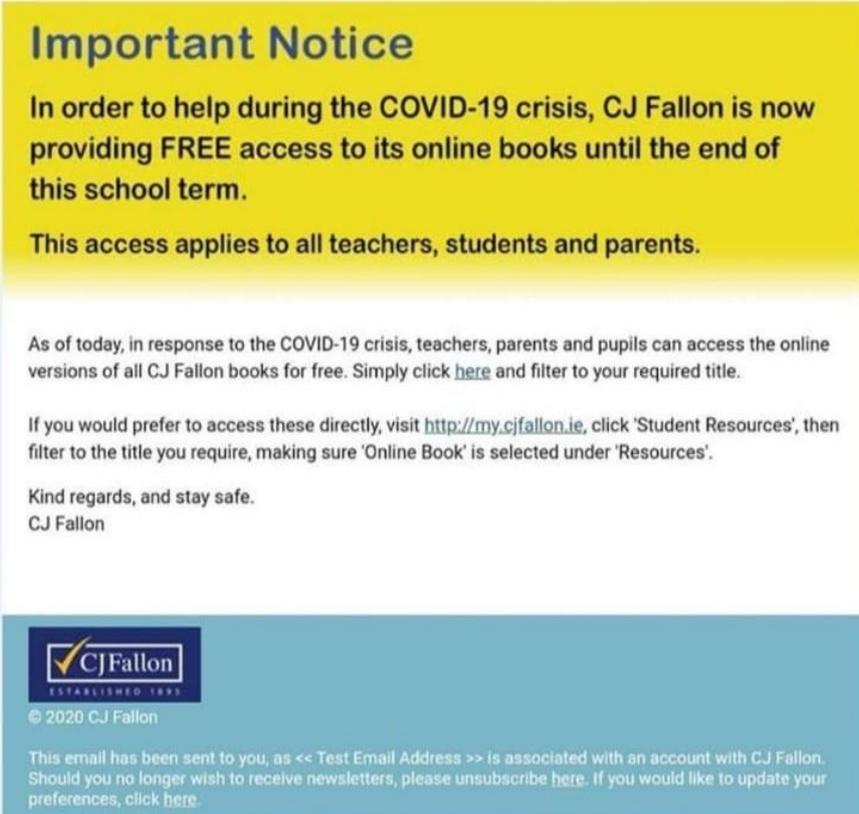
The list of resources at scoilnet are endless and they are running a daily art competition with the chance of children winning prizes. This is definitely a site to check out at the moment, with all of its resources provided freely.



## Online access to digital resources:

Folens online, edco learning and CJ fallon are providing free access to all their online platforms. This is extremely useful if children are working from home and require access to accompanying resources. Likewise, there is the opportunity to delve into other books which are not used in school and use this as extra learning activities. Please follow the instructions in the screenshots below

### CJ Fallon:



**Important Notice**

In order to help during the COVID-19 crisis, CJ Fallon is now providing FREE access to its online books until the end of this school term.

This access applies to all teachers, students and parents.

As of today, in response to the COVID-19 crisis, teachers, parents and pupils can access the online versions of all CJ Fallon books for free. Simply click [here](#) and filter to your required title.

If you would prefer to access these directly, visit <http://my.cjfallon.ie>, click 'Student Resources', then filter to the title you require, making sure 'Online Book' is selected under 'Resources'.

Kind regards, and stay safe.  
CJ Fallon

  
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## Folens online:



Dear Teacher,

To lend a helping hand to schools and parents over the coming weeks we are giving access to all our digital resources on FolensOnline.ie.

Parents and teachers can follow the steps below to get access:

1. Go to [FolensOnline.ie](https://FolensOnline.ie) and click register
2. Select Teacher
3. Fill in a username, email and password
4. For Roll Number use the code: **Prim20**

**NOTE for Teachers:** if you already have an account on FolensOnline but want to access all our resources simply create a new account with a different email address.



## Edco learning:

Simply log in to [www.edcolearning.ie/login](https://www.edcolearning.ie/login) with any of the following username and password combinations to gain access to our e-books and digital resources.

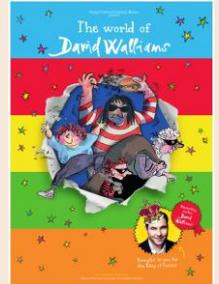
Level	Username	Password
Primary	primaryedcobooks	edco2020
Junior Cert	jcedcobooks	edco2020
Leaving Cert	lcedcobooks	edco2020

## Stand out Resources

The following general resources which have been made available are what we deem to be 'stand - out' entities which can be enjoyed thoroughly by your children.

The very talented and popular David Walliams is releasing a new audio story every day at 11am.

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/>



The popular fitness guru, the BodyCoach, is running a live fitness class every morning at 9am.

<https://m.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1>



The following link allows for children to go on over 30 virtual field trips. An excellent resource and great talking point or project base!

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vTbUBsKt4U5tR-eXC8b2bogrvjrVIEBI8OJIesNPw6b7BRScyRuyXIaSAVIcl\\_q52BI4SqrK4\\_HVQCw/pub](https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vTbUBsKt4U5tR-eXC8b2bogrvjrVIEBI8OJIesNPw6b7BRScyRuyXIaSAVIcl_q52BI4SqrK4_HVQCw/pub)



## Ciara Reilly's Padlet

A former primary teacher and now a lecturer in education with expertise in ICT and digital education at Marino Institute of Education, Reilly has compiled an outstanding bank of resources.

[padlet.com/ciarareillymarino/primarydistancelearning](https://padlet.com/ciarareillymarino/primarydistancelearning)

## Engineering Ideas

The ideas set out in this link are excellent hands on STEM activities that could be done as a family activity.

<https://thehomeschoolscientist.com/100-engineering-projects-kids/>

