

Learning at Home

Support for students absent from school due to COVID-19
Term 1 - 2020

Learning in the Home

This information is to provide support for parents and students kept home voluntarily due to COVID-19. There are many ways that parents can provide learning opportunities at home that are easy to implement.

Handy Tips to Consider

Schedule Screen time.

Time ticks by quickly when using technology so it is a good idea to schedule when screen time will happen for students. Placing a boundary on technology will help students with expectations and managing the day.

Timetable Learning.

Try to keep a structure for the day. Students respond well to a timetable of the days learning experiences. Being organised and having a visible timetable helps them to engage in learning tasks and brings a sense of achievement when they have completed them. This includes break times. Having a scheduled recess and lunchtime is really important as it keeps routines for students.

Make Technology Purposeful.

We have included a list of online learning platforms and Apps available for parents to use to enhance learning at home. As a school we always strongly advocate that parents closely monitor digital technology use at home, as is done at school.

Organise a Learning Space

Having a designated quiet space, where children have all the tools they need, helps students to code switch into a learning mindset and focus on tasks. Reduce distractions like the television and other stimulus so students maintain focus and get the most out of tasks.

Suggested Websites and Activities to use for Home Learning

General

Reading

Read to your child and have them read to you. If you have a Harvey Library card, you can access e-books and audio books through:

www.borrowbox.com

www.wapldmc.lib.overdrive.com

You can also access them by downloading the Apps through your device App Store –



Libby



Making Reading meaningful

Before Reading

- What is this book about? Make a prediction
- Make a connection to the text so children can share experiences that may relate to the topic

During Reading

- Model good reading for your child where possible.
- Ask clarifying questions about characters, events and motives for actions (who was..? why do you think..? why did the character react like that..?)

After Reading

- Reflect on what has been read and ask further questions (What would you have done if you had been in the same situation? Who was the most important character? Why do you think this? Have you ever felt..? What would happen..?)

Board Games

Remember Uno, Monopoly, Boggle, Scrabble and Pictionary? Board games are a great way to integrate Literacy and Numeracy in a game situation. Spelling, Reading and Maths are all key skills in board games and a fun way to learn. Below are a few examples of tried and true games:

Board games to encourage skills in Mathematics: Numero, Uno, Monopoly, Snakes and Ladders.

Board games to encourage skills in Literacy: Pictionary, Boggle, Scrabble, Trivial Pursuit, Cranium.

Websites:

Education Department's Learning at Home - <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home> Resources, activities and information to help children and young people continue to learn while at home.

ABC YA – www.abcya.com Practice math and reading skills all while playing fun games.

Fun Brain - www.funbrain.com Play games while practicing maths and reading skills.

Oxford Owl - www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home A range of English and Maths for all ages.

Scholastic - <https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html> resources across all learning areas

education.abc.net.au Australian website with a variety of learning experiences (including digital books) for each year level.

Phys. Ed.:

Go Noodle - www.gonoodle.com Movement and mindful videos to get our children moving.

Cosmic Yoga - www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga Yoga, mindfulness and relaxation designed especially for kids aged 3+, used in schools and homes all over the world.

PE with Joe - www.instagram.com/p/B964e68nLbZ/?igshid=16bak3a8yiaq7

Japanese:

General: <https://web-japan.org/kidsweb/>

Alphabet songs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PAfi3D9K7Ik> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PE7sW2KoiGI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plvSpVSdJWU>

Greetings:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q9ocYaQs3g4> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZKtfnx6kNQ>

Numbers:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3won-7W3Js&t=38s>

Colours:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_3O6A2y9yM&t=53s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zs9Ls0oJw_s

Instructions:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o-vPmoyoSgs>



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Websites:

Star Fall – www.starfall.com Learn phonics and common sight words using audio-visual games.

Highlights Kids - www.highlightskids.com Read, play games and conduct cool science experiments.

Top marks - www.topmarks.co.uk Interactive games for all learning areas.

Story line online - www.storylineonline.net Story book read online.

IXL- <https://au.ixl.com/> support every learner with activities from across the curriculum.

Phonics Play - <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> Interactive phonics games.

Sound Write - <https://theliteracyblog.com/2020/03/19/sounds-write-phonics-resources-for-parents-and-carers-covid-19-update/> To support with learning sounds and writing at home.

The Magic School Bus - https://magicschoolbus.fandom.com/wiki/The_Bus

Suggested Non-Screen Activities:

<p>Lego Challenge Google Lego challenges. See what you can build.</p>	<p>Cooking Cook a meal or treat together. Talk while you both do it. Discuss why it's important to follow the steps in a certain order.</p>	<p>Get Outside Run, jump, hop, skip, throw, catch – just get moving!</p>	<p>Drawing and colouring Draw the characters from the story you have read, or something you are talking about. Use a colouring book.</p>
<p>Playing cards, board games and puzzles Teach them snap, go fish, memory or other games you have at home. Do a puzzle together.</p>	<p>Obstacle Course Design and make an obstacle course at home.</p>	<p>Sensory play Make slime, playing with coloured water, ice paints, toy wash using dirt and soapy water, playing with playdough, cutting, gluing.</p>	<p>Rhyming games Rhyme challenge: choose a word “I challenge you to think of as many rhymes as you can for "cat" (or any word). Next player says words that rhyme.</p>
<p>Gardening Go outside plant some seeds, weed, talk about how plants grow. Take photos of different types of leaves, insects or items you find in the garden</p>	<p>Counting, ordering objects or sorting objects by, colour, size, materials Sort toys into animals or other, order them from smallest to biggest, sort them into colours.</p>	<p>Nursery Rhymes Sing nursery rhymes you know with them, act the out, draw picture of them.</p>	<p>Craft Collect empty boxes, packets, use of clothes, lids to create recycled craft masterpieces. Make necklaces with beads, leaves or whatever you have at home.</p>
<p>Pupper Show Use old socks to create puppets and put on a puppet show.</p>	<p>Nature Walk Go on a nature walk. Draw the things you see.</p>	<p>Map Draw a map of your local area or a plan of your house.</p>	<p>Build Build cubby houses inside and out, build Lego, build with boxes etc.</p>



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Years 1-3

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Forest Phonics - www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/forest Phonics A spelling game using spelling patterns.

Nat Geo for Kids – www.kids.nationalgeographic.com Learn all about geography and fascinating animals.

Deep Space Sparkle - www.deepspacesparkle.com/category/art-lessons Offers art lessons and resource that will help you teach art to kids.

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Playing cards, board games and puzzles Teach them snap, go fish, memory or other games you have at home. Do a puzzle together.	Obstacle Course Design and make an obstacle course at home.	Labelled Diagrams Draw a scientific diagram of an animal or plant. Include labels and accurate descriptions and features.	Rhyming games Rhyme challenge: choose a word “I challenge you to think of as many rhymes as you can for "cat" (or any word). Next player says words that rhyme.
Gardening Go outside plant some seeds, weed, talk about how plants grow. Take photos of different types of leaves, insects or items you find in the garden	Counting, ordering objects or sorting objects by, colour, size, materials Sort toys into animals or other, order them from smallest to biggest, sort them into colours.	Nursery Rhymes Sing nursery rhymes you know with them, act the out, draw picture of them.	Nature Diary Look out the window, talke a walk, keep note of what you see.
Pupper Show Use old socks to create puppets and put on a puppet show.	Letters and Postcards Write letters or postcards to your friends, family or your teachers.	Map Hide something in your house and draw a map, along with directions on how to get there. See if someone can follow your directions.	Gratitude Make a list of things you are grateful for.



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Years 4-6

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Into the Book – www.reading.ecb.org Go ‘into the book’ to play games that practice reading strategies!

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kids should see this – www.thekidshouldseethis.com Wide range of cool educational videos Crash Course

Kids - www.youtube.com/user/crashcoursekids A range of videos on many different subjects for kids

Behind the News - www.abc.net.au/btn/stories A kids news show

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<p>Playing cards, board games and puzzles Teach them snap, go fish, memory or other games you have at home. Do a puzzle together.</p>	<p>Maths Measure the area and perimeter of each room in your home. Draw a map of your home and neighbourhood, timetables</p>	<p>Gardening Go outside plant some seeds, weed, talk about how plants grow. Take photos of different types of leaves, insects or items you find in the garden.</p>	<p>Books Read a book and write/type/tell/ voice record a book review. Include main characters, how it made you feel, likes/dislikes, similarities or differences to other books, give it a star rating.</p>
<p>STEM Google a STEM activity. What can you make using things you already have in your house.</p>	<p>Letters and Postcards Write letters or postcards to your friends, family or your teachers.</p>	<p>Build Build cubby houses inside and out, build Lego, build with boxes etc.</p>	<p>Write a diary Keep a written or video diary of your days at home with you family</p>
<p>Dance Make up a dance routine to your favourite song.</p>	<p>Gratitude Make a list of things you are grateful for.</p>	<p>Treasure Map Hide something in your house. Write the clues for someone to go on the treasure hunt.</p>	<p>Board Game Design and make a homemade board game.</p>

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