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Dear Principal / Leader / Manager

Resources for home learning

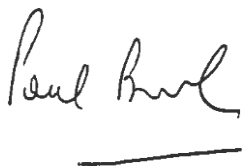
I hope you are all keeping safe and well in these difficult times.

As you will no doubt be aware, a number of organisations have developed resources to support home learning for young children. The Department's Early Years teams have collated a list of resources attached at Annex A, which may be useful to support home learning for pre-school aged children.

Anyone using the resources should exercise their own judgement in evaluating the content and its suitability as a teaching tool for their own particular purposes. Parents may be guided by their pre-school education or Sure Start setting and directed to use specific resources.

I hope you find this list (which is not exhaustive) useful and would encourage you to share these resources widely with parents as appropriate.

Yours sincerely



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Annex A
List of useful home learning resources

- [Getting Ready to Learn parents tab](#). The EA's GRtL team has developed a new parents tab with a variety of fun, play-based activities and links to support learning at home;
- [ETI remote learning advice](#) (including pre-school);
- [CCEA home learning resources](#) (early years resources included in the primary section);
- [Sure Start newsletter](#);
- [Hungry Little Minds](#) – UK government campaign - activities for children age 0-5;
- [Resources for children with SEN](#) developed by the EA Early Years SEN Inclusion Service;
- [RISE NI \(Regional Integrated Support for Education in Northern Ireland\) resources](#);
- [Play Matters leaflet – Coronavirus – Play Matters More Than It Ever](#);
- [Libraries NI activities for children](#);
- [Stranmillis University – ideas for active minds](#);
- Irish-medium specific resources: [Padlet App](#); [CnaG list of resources including for pre-school](#);
- [Tiny Happy People](#) – BBC campaign - for children age 0-5;
- [BBC 3 o'clock club](#) – these interactive videos are aimed at primary school children, however some activities may be appropriate for the younger children and the whole family;
- [Learning through landscapes](#)
- [Mr Hullabaloo](#) - story-telling on Facebook;
- [Jo Jingles](#) - live sing-a-long activities on Facebook (you may need to join your local group).