

Ideas for Home Learning - Short term closure

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Due to the short term closure of all schools in New Zealand, the Year 3 and Year 4 teams have collated the following information for you to use for home learning should you require it.

There are some basic ideas on how to help at home with reading, writing and math are on our School Website under [Home learning links](#)

Our school [Waka Challenges](#) will give you activities to do and skills to learn - your evidence for these can be loaded into your WAKA challenge page on your child's LINC ED account ([video link on how to do this](#)) [What could we play at home](#) - here are 15 ideas for different activities to do at home. The key to these is making them into learning experiences. Talking about key vocabulary is an important part of this, ie in the water play you may be talking about the container being full, empty or half full or that their clothes are dry, damp, wet or soaking. The children should also be allowed to be creative and find out about capacity and how much something holds before it overflows. You could extend an older child with how many full cups fit in to the large container etc

Your child also has their Stepsweb licence, this is a great programme to support their reading and writing development at home and can be monitored by class teachers and activities added as needed, during term time. Children know their usernames and passwords: [Steps Web](#)

Resources for parents at home:

[Scholastic](#) - This website has 20 days of learning that could be followed across the subject areas

This [link](#) takes you to the Education.govt.nz website that has practical information for parents and caregivers for helping with learning at home

Try to spend some time on Reading, Writing and Maths each day and then follow your child's interests in learning in other areas. Please check your child's home learning book for passwords.

Writing	Word play / Spelling Playdough Draw in sand Chalk outside on driveway Hot coco words - tip chocolate onto a tray and practise writing words with finger Spelling tic tac toe Writing Write daily journals, Plan your own day - write out the timetable Emails to family members Write a play and perform it with teddies \$2 shop literacy books Pen pals Free choice writing Guess who? writing (describe someone or something and see if a family member can guess who you're describing)	Websites to support this ABCya Study ladder Starfall Twinkl Calendar writing prompts, once upon a picture The literacy shed fabostory
Reading	Read to a family member Recipes while making them. Select words from a book you've read make into cards and make a memory game Novel read aloud Read to a sibling Podcasts Read a map Read catalogues, circulars, real estate brochures, local papers. Read and follow instructions	TVNZ- Goodnight Kiwi Radio NZ have a large collection of stories: Teach your monster to read Scholastic

	<p>Sight words form twinkl</p> <p>Chapter chat - on facebook</p>	<p>Into the book</p> <p>read theory</p> <p>David Walliams</p> <p>elevenes audio</p>
Maths	<p>Baking/Cooking (measurement and fractions)</p> <p>Lego - draw from different perspective</p> <p>Card games / dice games</p> <p>News paper maths - find numbers in the news paper, how many number sentences can you make?</p> <p>Catalogue maths - find things you would like to buy and add up what it would cost</p> <p>Make up a \$ value code for the alphabet, see if you can make a word that is worth \$10, \$50, \$100 etc.</p> <p>Book of dream- warehouse website you have \$100 what would you buy?</p> <p>Number: Spot a number and use it as a “Launchpad” for naming things that make it: Example “There’s a 12 on a letterbox, that’s 3x4, 2x6, 10+2, 100–88, half of 24 etc”.</p> <p>Patterns: Look how fences are put together. How many palings for each post? How many short ones to how many long ones? Have people planted flowers or trees in patterns by colour or height or number? In tall buildings how are the windows arranged? Is there a pattern?</p> <p>Time: Look for clocks and schedules. Ask children to read the time, if it’s a digital clock ask what it would look like on traditional clock, where would the hands be to make that time? If waiting for a bus ask children to read the schedule and tell you what time the next bus comes, what time does the last one come, is there a pattern for the bus times?</p> <p>Money: If prices are advertised in windows of shops or on signs play a game that helps with the two and ten times tables. Ask the children to double a price (2x) or 10x a price.</p> <p>Shapes: Children at this age can be asked to try and spot hexagons, different kinds of triangles, right angles or parallel lines in buildings as you pass by.</p> <p>Statistics: Notice the activities of people passing your house. How many are using mobile phones. Notice who is on the bus or train: How many are children, teenagers, elderly and others. The colour of the cars that pass. How many are walking a dog? Running or walking by in ½ an hour.</p> <p>Home shop... give all the snacks/ stationery costs and create a shop, they can get virtual money for chores done to spend.</p> <p>Make symmetry snowflakes by folding paper in 1/2 ¼, ⅛ cut shapes and open to see the snowflake.</p>	<p>Study ladder</p> <p>Link to dice, card and pencil maths games you can do at home</p> <p>Twinkl</p> <p>Nz Maths</p> <p>Eako</p> <p>YouCubed</p> <p>Khan academy</p>
Maori	<p>Find the maori words for everyday objects, make labels and label your home.</p> <p>Watch some maori television</p> <p>Practise your school pepeha</p> <p>Learn to sing waiata and teach your family</p>	<p>Maori dictionary online</p>

	Practise your kapa haka	
Art	<p>Nature art - draw something from nature</p> <p>Bubble art - add food colouring to water and dishwashing liquid use a straw to blow bubbles, place paper on the bowl to make prints of the bubbles.</p> <p>Pixel art - use an old maths book and design pictures by colouring squares</p> <p>Magazine art - make a scrapbook page of pictures that you like from old magazines, newspapers, catalogues.</p> <p>Paper dolls - cut out and decorate paper dolls</p>	Deep space sparkle art hub for kids youtube
Music	<p>Pot band with pots and wooden spoons</p> <p>Make your own musical instruments - rice shaker</p> <p>Listen to your favourite music, make up a dance to a song, clap along, move to the beat.</p> <p>Sing your choir songs</p> <p>Teach your family the choir games, ham and eggs, aeroplane and any others you can think of</p> <p>Sing what you say (see how long you can sing anything you want to say)</p>	Go noodle The learning station
Health	<p>Do a PMI of your day (positive, minus, interesting that has happened, or a PMI of what you have learnt)</p> <p>Venn diagram of food in the house.</p> <p>Plan a healthy meal</p> <p>Sort food into categories, What are some different ways you could group them?</p>	Yoga and mindfulness
P.E.	<p>Relay races</p> <p>Baked beans weight lifting</p> <p>Balance on a piece of wood</p> <p>Skip - see how long you can do it for</p> <p>How many sit ups, press ups, pull ups on the table can you do in 1 minute, can you improve your time</p> <p>Throw and catch practise</p> <p>How many times can you hit a tennis ball with a tennis bat without it falling</p>	Go Noodle Les mills workouts 7 minute workout
Technology	<p>Lego challenge</p> <p>Knitting - finger knitting or with large knitting needles</p> <p>Sewing - sew your initials into a swatch of material, draw what you want it to look like first.</p> <p>Design a machine to solve a problem (real or made up)</p>	BP STEM
Science	<p>Dancing milk- kitchen science</p> <p>Make a volcano</p> <p>Bouncing egg</p> <p>Mouldy bread experiment</p> <p>Observe a patch in your garden for 10 mins what animals do you see what plants grow there</p> <p>Do a nature scavenger hunt, find something from nature that begins with each letter of the alphabet.</p> <p>Grow a seed into a plant and record what you see each day</p>	Scholastic Mystery science Twinkl
General	Board games, card games, charades, building a fort,	Touch typing practice

	backyard campouts, outside picnics, bike ride, tramping, Chores Waka challenges Gardening	Minecraft education
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