

ENGLISH

1. Continue to read with your child - listen to them reading and also read to them at an age appropriate level. In addition to reading material you may have at home, please consult the 'Reading Together Section on the homepage for some additional reading. <http://scoilchroinaofaatheny.ie/e-books/> Check your child's support folder to see what PM level they are on. You can then access PM readers for a one month free trial at https://info.cengage.com/ecollection_2020.

Some reading activities you could do with your child could be:

- Read the story aloud.
 - At a particular point in the story ask your child to predict what they think might happen next.
 - At the end of the story ask your child to retell the story in their own words.
 - Ask questions on the story to see if they understand what has been read. Who, What, Where, When, Why questions. This will continue to develop their vocabulary and comprehension.
 - On each page [after the story has been read] play a game of "Find the Word". Eg Find the word "home", Find a word beginning with "puh" [p], Find a word ending in "ed", "ing" etc, Find a word that rhymes with....., Find a word that means the same thing as.....
 - Connect the story to another story that they have already read; "Does that story remind you of/is similar to another story we have read. What one and why?"
 - Point to a word on the page, ask your child to read it and then put it into a sentence. [spoken sentence]
 - Write one sentence about the story when finished. Encourage your child to sound out the words as he/she spells/writes it.
2. Dolch Words - These are the most commonly used words and it is important that children can say them, recognise and spell them. <http://www.scoilchaitrionabaggotstreet.ie/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/Dolch-Sight-World-Lists-and-Story.pdf>. The following website has some activities that you can do with your child to practise these words. You can play games with the Dolch words eg Go Fish, Bingo, Snap <http://www.dolchword.net/dolch-word-games.html>

3. Oral Language is so important for your child - continue to discuss and describe things with your child. Maybe you could pick an object a day and describe it? Colour, Shape, Size, Function, Where would you find it, What might you use it with etc. Then perhaps the child could write a sentence or two about it?
4. Writing. Practise writing letters. If your child is in Senior Infants or older you could ask them to do one "Free Writing Activity" a week where they can write on any topic they want.
5. Some useful websites are oxfordowl.co.uk, starfall.com, ictgames.co.uk, topmarks.co.uk, scoilnet.ie. Refer to <https://padlet.com/cathrionacro/ctl7hd82djfz>

MATHS

1. Practical maths is so important - weighing while cooking, telling the time, measuring the length/perimeter/area of things/rooms. Card games and games like chess/draughts/jigsaws are great for developing computational thinking
2. Practise number operations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
3. Tables. Take a "Table" a day and practise, practise, practise! Some fun online games for this is Topmarks Hit The Button and Topmarks Daily Challenge.
4. We also have a number of websites that may be of use to you:
<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>
topmarks.co.uk

<https://www.scoilnet.ie/primary/theme-pages/mathematics/>

ANXIETY

- Anxiety - If your child worries a lot they might enjoy some child friendly yoga (cosmic yoga - youtube) or mindfulness. Please refer to our [Active Homework section on main page](#)