

Recommended Apps

- Cúla 4: Excellent for younger pupils for Irish vocab – very child friendly. There are also videos of your children’s favourite cartoons here as Gaeilge which would be useful to watch occasionally to keep up with Irish.
- Doulingo: most suitable from 2nd class upwards. Excellent app. Tests your child Irish ability level at the start and they work away at their own level for 10mins daily.
- Mathduel: For tables. Fun and interactive.
- Starfall: For spellings. Again, very child friendly and useful to keep spellings progressing without feeling like schoolwork.
- Jolly Phonics App: to keep up phonics learning for infant classes.
- Dolch words Apps (there is a wide range available): for the development of sight words.
- Nessy Apps: for reading for pupils with dyslexia or difficulties.
- PinkFong: Digital stories for infant classes. Excellent and engaging.
- Khan Academy: Useful for maths for older pupils especially.
- Kahoot: for general knowledge and quizzes.
- Toontastic: probably the best app ever for digital storytelling – pupils can devise their own digital story, picking a range of characters, settings, even musical background. They plan a beginning, middle and end to their story and can record their own voices to tell the story.
- Puppetpals: similar to toontastic – useful for younger pupils. They can record themselves telling the story also.
- Lightbot – Coding app – super for all ages
- Know Your Ireland
- Hit the Button (Topmarks)
- Maths Slide
- Epic
- ABC Actions/Food/Go/House (Peapod Labs)
- ABC Pocketphonics-full version
- Slatemath for kids
- Book Creator
- Math 3-5/4-6 (Onebillion)
- Collins Big Cat (collection of stories)

Reading apps on Samsung tablet:

- L'escapador Montessori words for phonics (lite version free 4 euro for full version)
- Epic (free trial for a month, 9 euro a month thereafter) a good selection of books to read and to be read to child.
- Teach your monster to read (5 euro)
- Pocket sight words (free version)

Maths apps for the tablet: Maths duel, Topmarks education, King of Maths, Math Jumps - all free.

Laptop:

- Oxford Owls free online books to listen to and read. Story online - free books read by actors, really engaging.
- National Geographic kids, reads the books to the child.
- DK find out, reads books to kids.
- Scoilnet.ie, go on to the website, then scroll down to world book and click on it.

RESOURCE WEBSITES

TV School Websites

<https://rtejr.rte.ie/10at10/>

RTE Junior 10@10 available here: *There is also an Irish version available on this site*

<https://www.rte.ie/learn/>

Home School Learning Hub

<https://www.cula4.com/ga/>

Cúla4 ar Scoil – Gaeilge no Béarla

Achmhanáí Gaeilinn

www.seideansi.ie

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padlet.com/orlaithnifhoghlu/wqeiqvodvbl4

History, Geography and Science (@RangOrlaith). Órlaith Ní Fhoghlú is a third class teacher and she has put together activities and resources relating to the history, geography and science curriculum.

Language

(Gaeilge, English, writing, reading)

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www.tikatok.com

This site provides opportunities for students to write and illustrate their own books

[www. Your county Library](http://www.Your county Library)

Try your county library for online reading resources. Each county will have a different website – just google it e.g. Leitrim county library

The Khan Academy www.khanacademy.org.

Non-profit site that provides free video tutorials in maths and reading

www.storyberries.com

This is a free, online collection of easy-to-read and beautifully illustrated stories, comics and poems for kids. You can select stories by theme.

www.handwritingpractice.net

Whatever happened to the art of handwriting? This site lets you create custom handwriting practice worksheets.

youtu.be/bt4rFdbpGkY

Maths, Gaeilge and reading lessons. Teacher Michael O'Connor is posting daily Maths, Gaeilge and reading lessons on YouTube for the kids in his class, which might be useful to other 4th, 5th and 6th class kids and their parents.

Sarah Webb's writing games (@MoLI_Museum)

Award-winning children's writer Sarah Webb is posting fun writing games and story prompts over on Twitter.

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Maths / Science

www.mathsfactor.com

Work on maths with Carol Vorderman

National Geographic Kids www.kids.nationalgeographic.com.

Learn about science, geography and history.

aka.ms/DSHomeSpace

Microsoft Lessons in STEM subjects

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Nasa Kids' Club www.nasa.gov/kidsclub/

Child-friendly resource where kids can learn about science and space.

www.kahoot.com

Search from millions of existing games on any topic such as brain teasers, trivia of all sorts, news quizzes and science.

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Arts

Scratch www.scratch.mit.edu

Learn to program interactive games, stories and animations

Wellbeing: (PE, Mindfulness etc)

<https://instagram.com/bressie/>

Use Bressie's online mindfulness course on Instagram every day @ 5pm for 6-16 years

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uy1yab7jAcU>

For PE, use the Joe Wick's 'PE with Joe' with some special celebration events. Joe's workout can be done in the tiniest of places.

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Religious Education

<https://www.twinkl.ie/resources/roi-resources>

This link will allow you to select the class level required and then to access Religious Education resources for that level

<https://www.growinlove.ie/en/for-parents/>

Some helpful suggestions for parents in relation to faith based education and practices for children in the home

Textbooks

www.cjfallon.ie

Use the C.J. Fallon website where the children can log in and set up an account which is free of charge. You can access various books in various subjects when you choose the 'student' option. You can click on the online book icon, then the eye icon in the actions box, and the book opens up. This can be a simple suggestion for extra work or teachers can direct the children to a specific book or pages from your school website

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Other Useful Sites

www.dkfindout.com/uk

This is the Dorling Kindersley website which has a wide range of general resources

<https://education.microsoft.com/en-us/resource/755e5a8b>

This website has a variety of activities according to age groups

www.scoilnet.ie

Website for resources in all subject areas at all levels. The World Book area is particularly good within which the early learning section has online games and the encyclopaedia section is excellent

www.twinkl.ie

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<https://en.unesco.org/themes/education-emergencies/coronavirus-school-closures/support>

This international site provides an extensive bank of resources especially compiled for the current school closures

padlet.com/ciarareillymarino/primarydistancelearning

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

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