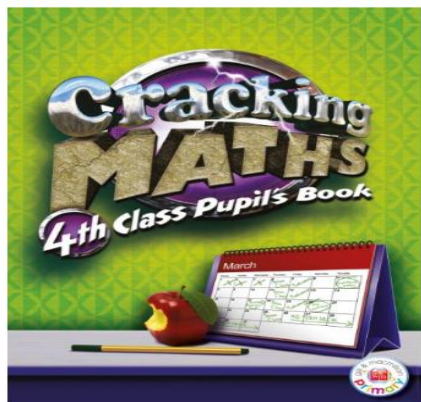


Dear Parents/Guardians,

The attached document lists a number of useful online resources you may wish to access during the current school closures. This document will point you in the direction of fun and educational activities, games, songs, puzzles, exercise and movement breaks for your child. All websites listed are free and easy to use. Included is a link to each site and a small description of the site for you. For some of the websites, instructions on how to register and the relevant codes for free access are included in the description. Feel free to pick and choose from this list over the days to follow. There is no pressure or requirement to complete the activities on this list. However, we hope this will be a helpful bank of resources/ideas for you and your child during the coming days/weeks. We hope to see you all again very soon.

Online access to programmes used in your child's class

- **Gill explore** <https://www.gillexplore.ie/gill-explore-resources>



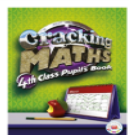
Cracking Maths

This is the Maths book we use in class. You can access the ebook for Cracking Maths by clicking the link above. Here you will also find some animations and games. You can go over the topics already covered this year.

Topics covered to date that you may wish to revise with your child:

4th Class

Place Value
Addition
Subtraction
Chance
Multiplication 1
Division
Fractions 1
Decimals 1
Representing and Interpreting Data
Multiplication 2
Length
Fractions 2



General
eBooks - Online
Student Textbook



Chapter 02
Class Games
Order Order!



Chapter 13
Mental Maths
Length



Chapter 02
Animations
Place Value



Chapter 04
Animations
Subtraction



Chapter 06
Animations
Multiplication 1




Chapter 09
Animations
Fractions 1



Chapter 10
Animations
Decimals

- **Folens Online** <https://www.folensonline.ie/home/>



Teacher Registration

Signing up is simple
Complete this form, confirm your school, and get started!

All your digital lessons in one place
FolensOnline brings together all our products and allows you to store your resources in one place.

Access anytime, from anywhere
Teach with FolensOnline from your classroom and plan your lessons from anywhere.

Registration Fields:

Name:
First Name:
Surname:

Email:
Email address:
Confirm Email address:

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Password:
Re-enter Password:

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Register

Prim20 (indicated by an arrow pointing to the Roll number field)

Folens have very kindly allowed access to their ebooks and resources to all teachers, parents and students for free during the school closures. **Simply register as a teacher and use the special code **Prim20** for the Roll Number (as seen in picture)**

Once registered, Folens have multiple ebooks, resources and games to assist your child's learning.



Children's textbook can be found here.

Games, tools, activities and printable worksheets can be found here.

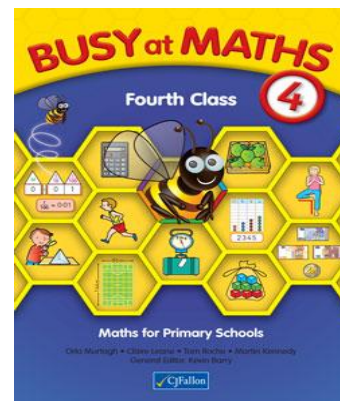
Planet Maths –Planet Maths is great for revision of topics covered and many games and tools are available through this programme.

Find Planet Maths in the library. Then find the class level appropriate to your child/children e.g. 4th Class.

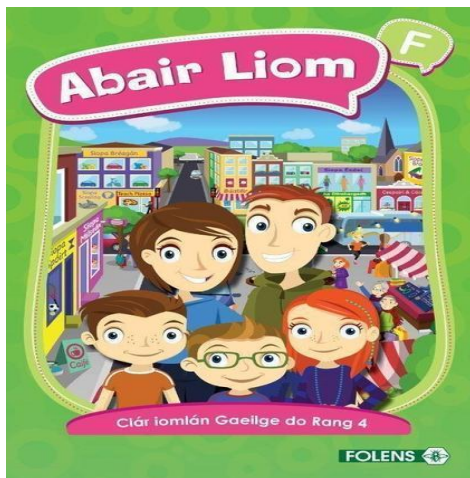
You may wish to use or refer to the ebook as a form of revision for topics already covered in class.

Planet Maths also offers interactive games and activities to help children revise the content taught. Just select the topic you would like to revise with your child and interactive games and activities should be accessible to you. There are also printable worksheets available.

- **CJ Fallon** <https://my.cjfallon.ie/>



CJ Fallon have also allowed access to their ebooks and resources to all teachers, parents and students for free during the school closures. They have made all the Busy at Maths online tutorials, games and interactive activities free to all teachers, parents and pupils. Just visit the website, click on 'Student Resources'. Click 4th Class, Busy at Maths and then click the interactive box. You will find tutorials based on different maths topics here. You may wish to use or refer to the ebook and these tutorials as a form of revision of topics covered in class.



Abair Liom – Abair Liom is our Gaeilge programme we use in class. It is accessible to you through Folens Online if you wish to revise Gaeilge at home. The children are very familiar with Abair Liom and will already know how to use majority of its features. Find Abair Liom in the Folens Online library and again select the class level appropriate to your child. When you find it in the library, you can select the ebook to access all the pages. You can also select the **resources** option. Here you can listen to the stories, poems and songs and play some of the games/activities.

It would be beneficial for your child/children to revise the vocabulary, songs and poems they have covered this year as it will help to maintain their confidence with the Irish language during this school closure. The topics/lessons covered to date are as follows:

- **Séideán Sí** <https://www.seideansi.ie/>



Séideán Sí is a great website that has instructions and games in listening, speaking, reading and writing Irish. Just select your dialect/chanúint and you can explore freely. No passwords required.

4th Class

Mé Féin

01. Mo chairde
02. An fiacloir

Bia

03. Ag an ollmhargagh
04. Bia Blasta

Sa Bhaile

05. Cuairt ar Mhamó ar Dhaideo
06. Luch sa teach

An Scoil

07. An lá scoile
08. An drama scoile

Siopadóireacht

09. An baile mór
10. An gadaí

Eadaí

11. An chulaith nua
12. Eachtra sa sneachta

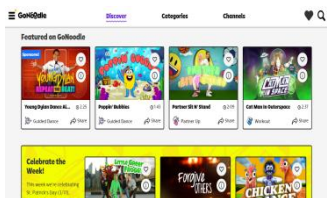
An teilifís

13. An cluiche riomhaire nua

Active Learning/Digital Resources – Physical/Movement Resources

- **GoNoodle**

<https://family.gonoodle.com/>



Go Noodle is a website filled with free content. The site has a wide selection of videos aimed at getting children active. The videos range from guided exercise, dance alongs and Zumba to fun tutorials and mindfulness. The whole family can get involved and be active together.

- **Cosmic Kids Yoga**

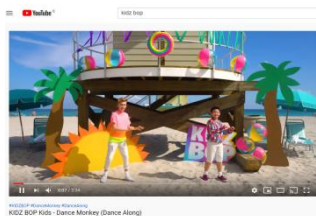
<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga/featured>



Cosmic Kids Yoga is another YouTube channel that offers yoga, mindfulness and relaxation for children. The channel uploads videos weekly that are based on interactive adventures which build strength, balance and confidence.

- **Kidz Bop Kids**

<https://www.youtube.com/user/KidzBopKids/featured>



Kidz Bop Kids is a popular YouTube channel that features children performing popular music. The videos include dance alongs and tutorials. They are a great way to keep children active and entertained.

- **10 at 10**

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



RTE's 10 at 10 is an excellent movement break for your child or for the whole family. There are 15 episodes available for viewing on RTE Junior's website. The videos demonstrate ten minutes of simple exercise for the children to follow. A little bit of exercise every day can make a big difference.

Active Learning/Digital Resources – Literacy

- **David Walliams Books**

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>



David Walliams is releasing a book reading for children every morning at 11 AM. See link for today's reading.

- **Storyline Online** <https://www.storylineonline.net/>



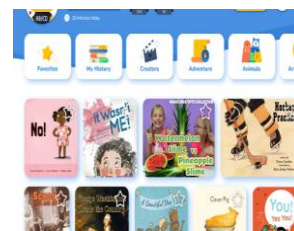
Storyline Online streams videos featuring actors reading children's books alongside creatively produced illustrations. Listening to stories being read aloud is a fundamental part of learning and it is proven to improve reading, writing and oral language skills. This website is completely free to use. Each online story has a small blurb and recommended age to direct you to the most appropriate stories for your child.

- **Vooks** <https://watch.vooks.com/browse>



Vooks is a kid-safe, ad-free streaming library of read-aloud animated storybooks. It is the Netflix of online stories. The website offers a huge variety of animated storybooks for your child to enjoy. Stories are grouped by theme e.g. friendship, animals, biographies etc. This website is not a free service but Vooks is offering a one month subscription for free.

- **Rivet** <https://rivet.area120.com/>



The Rivet website has lots of excellent fiction and Non-fiction books that children can read. The children can read the exemplars to pick their level and then they can choose their book.

Active Learning/Digital Resources - SESE

- **Scholastic Learn at Home**

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>



Scholastic Learn at Home is a free website that offers children day by day projects to keep them reading, thinking and growing when they are not in school. The projects are cross-curricular. Each day includes four separate learning experiences, each built around a thrilling, meaningful story or video. The stories/videos are accompanied by activities such as Fact or Fiction, Sequencing, Puzzles etc. Select your child's grade level and work together on the projects.

- **National Geographic Kids** <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>



National Geographic Kids is a free website that features educational games, videos, and other activities, centered mostly on animals and the natural world.

Active Learning/Digital Resources - Numeracy

- **Math Playground**

<https://www.mathplayground.com>

Math Playground has several games your child can access for free. There are several categories to choose from e.g. logic and problem solving games, operations and algebraic thinking games etc.

- **TopMarks** <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Topmarks is a website that hosts a variety of games and activities.

- **Hit the Button (Number Bonds)** <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>



This game is a great way for children to revise their tables.

- **IXL** <https://ie.ixl.com/>



A fun website with lots of Maths and English activities for all classes.

- **Mangahigh** <https://www.mangahigh.com/>



Mangahigh is a game-based learning platform for primary school mathematics. Games and tasks can be assigned to the children by the teacher. There are also some coding tutorials on there for anyone who is interested. Each child's username and password will be sent to them individually by their teacher.

Active Learning/Digital - Coding

- **Lightbot and SpriteBox**
<https://lightbot.com/flash.html>
<https://spritebox.com/>



LightBot is a puzzle game based on coding. Children learn basic coding skills while helping LightBot in the game. LightBot is both a website and a free app.

SpriteBox Coding is a full-blown adventure game that gets you coding. Children start from scratch by solving coding puzzles using icons. Over time, icons will give way to textual commands. This app helps children to develop programming/coding language in no time.

Worksheets/Resources/Activities

- **Twinkl** www.twinkl.ie/offer



Twinkl is a widely used teaching website that offers thousands of downloadable teaching resources. The site has worksheets, PowerPoints, storybooks, activities, games, colouring sheets, flashcards, writing templates etc. that cover all curricular areas for all ages. Though it is not usually a free site, Twinkl has kindly offered a month's subscription for free to help parents access resources for their children during the closures. To avail of this free month:

1. go to www.twinkl.ie/offer
2. Enter the code **CVDTWINKLHELPS**

Educational classes on Television

- **RTE Home School Hub** <https://www.rte.ie/tv/programmes/1127275-rte-home-school-hub/>



Starting on RTÉ2 from Monday 30 March, teachers on the RTÉ Home School Hub will present three short class segments aimed at 1st and 2nd class, 3rd and 4th class and 5th and 6th class. Classes will start each morning from 11am to 12pm on television, for an hour, before directing the kids to fun content and projects on rte.ie/learn and the RTÉ Player. And then we let the kids takeover, as RTÉ Home School Extra kicks off at 4.15pm where kids from all over the country can reconnect by uploading and posting video messages and content.

