



Alternative learning activities - please mark off at least one activity a day

<b>For any level / younger children</b>			
Play a card game with your family, or learn a new card game	Go for a walk with a parent and find a fruit/seed/leaf/bark rubbing and identify the tree online	Make a jigsaw	Watch News2day on RTE and discuss it with your parent(s)
Learn to tie your shoe laces	Go for a walk with a family member - time it, check the step count, distance	Tidy the play room / clean your bedroom	Clean out your school bag
Play "I Spy"	Sort your toys by size / colour	Pair your socks	Take a GoNoodle break ( <a href="http://www.gonoodle.com">www.gonoodle.com</a> Great active breaks)
Draw your favourite animal	Find something longer / shorter than your arm / leg	Play with water - how many cups does it take to fill a pot. Estimate how many before hand	Talk about which months your family has birthdays.
Plant vegetable seeds - this is the perfect time of the year for this. And you can eat the produce later in the year.	Make your bed	Fold your clothes	Pick up 10 toys and put them away
<b>For older children</b>			
Write a letter to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The president</li> <li>• A local TD</li> <li>• A local councillor</li> </ul>	Create a new game with a ball	Spend some time doing any sporting activity you like.	Try to develop a new skill while at home. You can work on this one every day
Make up a quiz	Keep a diary	Roll 2 dice - add the numbers together or multiply them together	Design a new cover for your favourite book
Hide something in your house or garden	Find out how the months and days of	Watch something on TG4. Listen for words	Write a short play and make up



<i>and create a treasure map to find it</i>	<i>the week got their names</i>	<i>you might recognise.</i>	<i>characters for each family member.</i>
<i>Create your family tree</i>	<i>Contact a grandparent / older person (by phone, facetime or other online apps) with set of questions about life when they were young</i> <i>Important to stay connected when we are physically apart</i>	<i>Find 4 facts about</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Aztecs</i></li> <li>• <i>The Maoris</i></li> <li>• <i>Owls</i></li> <li>• <i>Snakes</i></li> <li>• <i>India</i></li> <li>• <i>The Boer War</i></li> <li>• <i>Etc</i></li> </ul> <i>Record these facts and keeps a facts copy</i>	<i>Read with a younger sibling</i>
<i>With a parent compile a shopping list for weekly shop - estimate the cost of this beforehand.</i>	<i>Find the price of a litre of petrol / diesel, and calculate how much it might cost to fill the car - first check online how many litres the car's fuel tank will take.</i> <i>Where can you go on a full tank?</i>	<i>If you are driving anywhere, put on the speedometer and see how long the journey was</i> <i>Can you check:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>How far you travelled?</i></li> <li>• <i>How long it took?</i></li> </ul>	<i>Look at fruit / vegetables from 3 different countries and calculate the distance travelled.</i>
<i>With an adult bake buns / cake</i> <i>Measure the ingredients for baking a cake</i> <i>Look at temperature/time</i>	<i>With help of a parent</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Boil an egg</i></li> <li>• <i>Make a cup of tea</i></li> <li>• <i>Help prepare the dinner</i></li> <li>• <i>Make a smoothie</i></li> </ul>	<i>Using imagination, write a piece on</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>If I won the lotto</i></li> <li>• <i>My superpower</i></li> <li>• <i>The perfect day/holiday</i></li> <li>• <i>The perfect school</i></li> </ul>	<i>Ask a parent for instructions on how to use the washing machine - write them down.</i> <i>What else can we learn around the house?</i>
<i>A child from 5th / 6th class to write a letter to their 4-year-old self</i>	<i>Compose a jingle / catchy chorus to advertise a product</i>	<i>Describe your favourite meal - the ingredients and how you would cook it</i>	<i>Compose a poem about Hope</i>
<i>Write a letter as if you are a 90-year-old giving advice to a new-born baby</i>	<i>What celebrity would you like to write to?</i> <i>Draft the letter.</i>	<i>Self-portrait – practise your sketching skills.</i> <i>Use a mirror or photo.</i>	<i>Design a new board game and test it out with your family. Make any changes needed.</i>