



TODAY'S AGENDA

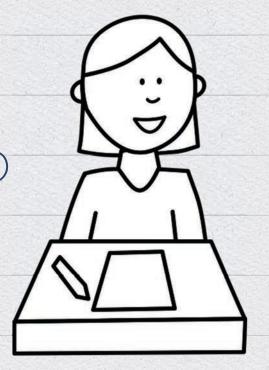
- 1. Setting Up a Productive Work Space
- 2. Time Management
- 3. <u>Developing A Positive Learning Environment</u>
- 4. Learning During Covid-19
- 5. <u>Using Technology</u>
- 6. Supporting Online Communication
- 7. Parent Resources
- 8. Online Student Resources
- 9. Integrating Learning into Everyday Activities





HOW TO SET UP AN EFFECTIVE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- X Create a work environment that is different from the areas your child(ren) plays games or watches tv in
- X Quiet space, provide school supplies





HOW TO SET UP AN EFFECTIVE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- X Hang up a calendar with your schedule or anchor charts (multiplication, division, or helpful literacy charts)
- X Have a table and chair that works best for your child(ren)
- X Movement Breaks!!



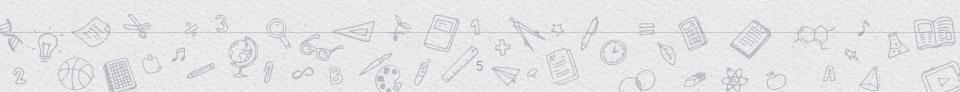


WHAT TO AVOID IN YOUR WORKING ENVIRONMENT

Distractions

- X Limit loud noises (TV, conversations)
- X No games or electronics
- X Limit visual distractions (Clutter)







TIME MANAGEMENT

Benefits of Effective Time Management:

- X Improves productivity
- X Establishes a consistent routine
- X Develops better organizational skills
- X Keeps kids motivated and on task





EXAMPLES OF WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Possible Option 1

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00am	Wake up & Breakfast	Wake up & Breakfast	Wake up & Breakfast	Wake up & Breakfast	Reward – Day Offi
10:00am	40 min school 20 min break of choice	40 min school 20 min break of choice	40 min school 20 min break of choice	40 min school 20 min break of choice	
11:00am	40 min school 20 min break of choice	40 min school 20 min break of choice	40 min school 20 min break of choice	40 min school 20 min break of choice	
12:00pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
1:00pm	Physical Activity	Physical Activity	Physical Activity	Physical Activity	
2:00pm	Free Time	Free Time	free Time	Free Time	
3:00pm	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	

Possible Option 2

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00am	Wake up & Breakfast	Wake up & Breakfast	Wake up & Breakfast	Wake up & Breakfast	Reward – Day Off!
10:00am	40 min Math 15 min Break	40 min French 15 min Break	40 min Science 15 min Break	40 min Math 15 min Break	
11:00am	40 min Virtual Fieldtrips 15 min Break	40 min French games online 15 min Break	40 min Science videos/games 15 min break	40 min Read Book of choice 15 min Break	
12:00pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
1:00pm	Physical Activity	Physical Activity	Physical Activity	Physical Activity	
2:00pm	Free Time/ Optional	Free Time/ Optional	Free Time/ Optional	Free Time/ Optional	
3:00pm	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	



DEVELOPING A POSITIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- x Celebrate their successes (ex. Putting their work up on the fridge)
- x Leading by example, read at the same time as they are reading or work on things independently as they are as well.
- x Be engaged by asking questions about what they are learning about or what their favorite thing they learned was
- x Mistakes are okay! Getting things wrong on a worksheet or test will strengthen their learning.
- x Provide different opportunities for learning (ex. Allowing your child to stand, more breaks, or printing homework instead of having it online each time)



LEARNING DURING COVID-19



- X Every student in Ontario is in the same situation
- X Support your child and their needs
- X Focus on their wellbeing
- X Students are developing other skills and learning other important life skills during this time





MODELLING HEALTHY SCREEN USE

- X Print out assignments whenever possible
- X Balance screen time with other activities



X Talk with your kids about how they're spending their time online





COMMON ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORMS

X Zoom

- X Video conferencing platform with multiple features including screen sharing and the ability to use a whiteboard
- X May be used for lessons and group work

X Google Classroom

- X Classroom management platform
- X May be used for distributing worksheets and assignments or receiving grades



COMMON ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORMS

X D2L: Desire 2 Learn

- X Classroom management platform
- X May be used for distributing and submitting assignments or receiving grades

There are many services out there and can vary depending on the school board or teacher.





STAYING IN CONTACT DURING ONLINE LEARNING

Helping Your Student Maintain Social Bonds

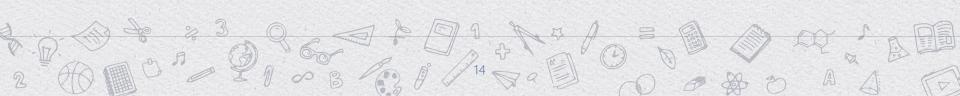
- X Create opportunities to work collaboratively with classmates
 - X Example: Work with a friend over FaceTime!
- X It's important to maintain social bonds with friends from school, so make time for this throughout the week
 - X Younger Students: Use apps like Zoom to schedule "virtual playdates" with friends
 - X Older Students: Stay in contact with social media



STAYING IN CONTACT DURING ONLINE LEARNING

Benefits of Keeping in Contact with Other Parents

- X Learn from other parents tips and tricks for strategies they have found effective
- X Talk about your struggles with other people
- X Widen your support network other parents may have more experience with a subject than you do!

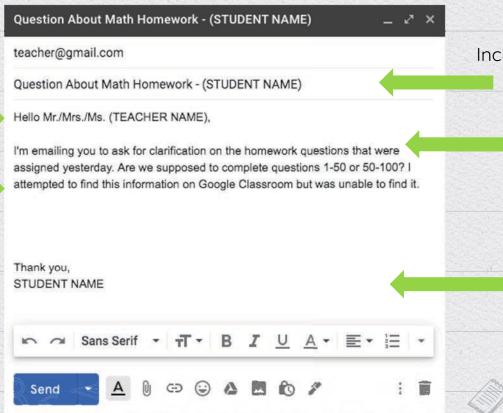




HELPING YOUR CHILD WRITE AN EMAIL TO THEIR TEACHER

Use formal language and include a greeting

Demonstrate
that you have
tried to solve
the problem
independently



Include a relevant subject line

Be clear and concise when stating your reason for emailing.

End by thanking your teacher and signing with your full name.



COMMUNICATION BETWEEN YOUR CHILD AND THEIR TEACHER

- X Ask your child to compile a list of all your questions throughout the day and send them in a single email at the end of the day instead of multiple throughout the day.
- X Remind them to be patient and not get frustrated if they don't hear back immediately.



PARENT RESOURCES: PODCASTS (APPLE)



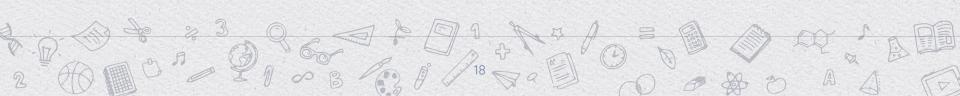
- X Distance Learning Episode 7: The Balance
 - x By: Catlin Tucker
- X Distance Learning Ready? Set. SMART!
 - x Mark Hartwright
- X Distance Learning: HPE Quick Tips Podcast
 - x K. O'Hara-Borowski, M. Martinez, L. Smith, R. Fisk, R. Hervey and J. Sparks



PARENT RESOURCES: PODCASTS (SPOTIFY)



- X Distance Learning Success Tips
 - x Student Career Consultant
- X Distance Learning Episode 7: The Balance
 - x By: Catlin Tucker
- X Decoding Distance Learning
 - x Erica Zimmer





PARENT RESOURCES: BOOKS FROM THE BRANTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

- X You Can Teach Someone to Read
- X Helping Your Anxious Child
- X Digital Life Skills for Youth

- X Teaching Fractions with LEGO Bricks
- X Teaching ESL in Canada
- X Teaching Kids to Think





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SIMPLE TRICKS AND TIPS FOR PARENTS

- X Stick to the routine/schedule
- X Get enough sleep
- X Maintain a positive attitude and environment
- X Make it FUN and ENJOYABLE for you and your child!



ONLINE RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN

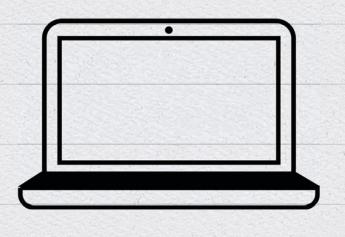
Why these resources?

X Certified educational resources

X Easy to use

X Unique and fun!

X THEY ARE NOT WORKSHEETS





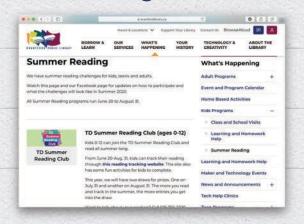


BRANTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY RESOURCES

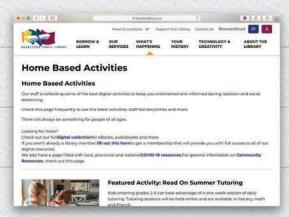
Read On Tutoring



Summer Reading Program



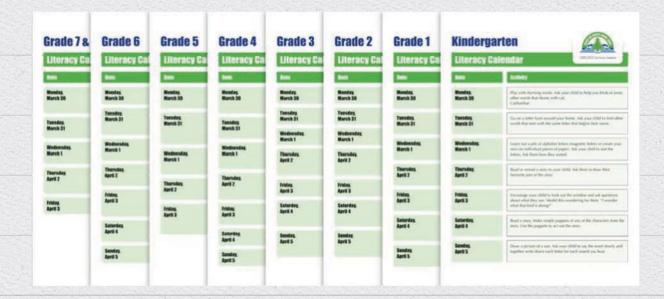
Home Based Activities







GRAND ERIE WEEKLY RESOURCES



- x Literacy
- x Numeracy
- x Phys Ed
- x French
- x ESL
- x Special Ed



MATH AND SCIENCE RESOURCES

Mathies

Nature Conservatory

Discovery Education

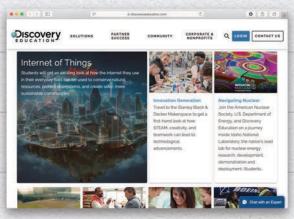
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FRENCH RESOURCES

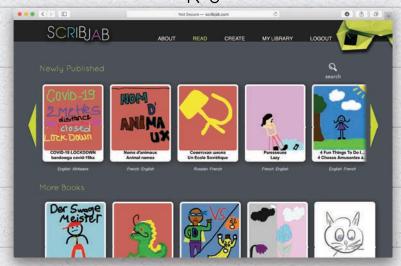
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K-8







INTEGRATING LEARNING INTO EVERYDAY ACTIVITIES

Let's Use Math!

- X Shop online together to compare prices
- X Make a meal plan to create a shopping list
- X Bake or cook to practice fractions
- X Check the weather forecast to discuss probability
- X Use sports to practice angles and geometry



INTEGRATING LEARNING INTO EVERYDAY ACTIVITIES

Let's Practice Literacy!

- X Read a newspaper or book. Look for new words and practice pronunciation.
- X Use TV commercials to practice critical thinking. Create a discussion with your child about the commercial's message and what the advertisers are trying to portray to the
- x Listen to the radio and sing along to your favourite songs.

Try it in French!



PLEASE CONTACT US AT THE BRANTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR ANY QUESTIONS!



Brantford Public Library

- X Home Based Activities: https://www.brantfordlibrary.ca/en/whats-happening/home-based-activities.aspx
- X Read On Tutoring Program: https://www.brantfordlibrary.ca/en/whats-happening/learning-and-homework-help.aspx
- X Summer Reading Program : https://www.brantfordlibrary.ca/en/whats-happening/summer-reading.aspx

BHNCDSB - Brant Haldimand Catholic District School Board

- X Parent Portal: https://bhncdsb.elearningontario.ca/d2l/login
- X Support for Families Distance Learning Brochure: http://www.bhncdsb.ca/sites/content/files/aaa covid/distance learning tips for families.pdf





Discovery Education Virtual Field Trips

X https://www.discoveryeducation.com/community/virtual-field-trips/

Distance Learning Tips From One Teacher to Another

X https://www.pbs.org/education/blog/distance-learning-tips-from-one-teacher-to-another-

GEDSB - Grand Erie District School Board

- Weekly Learning Resources by Grade:
 https://granderie.ca/board/parentportal/parent-resources/weekly-literacy-numeracy-and-physical-education-resources-grade
- X ESL and French Immersion Resources by Grade: https://granderie.ca/board/parentportal/parent-resources/esl-and-french-immersion-resources-grade
- X Weekly Special Education Resources: https://granderie.ca/board/parentportal/parent-resources/weekly-special-education-resources
- X Parent Portal Support: https://granderie.ca/board/parentportal/parent-portal-support



Help your child with homework (without doing it yourself)

X https://www.sittercity.com/parents/parenting-tips/help-your-child-with-homework

How to create a positive learning environment at home

X https://www.sheknows.com/parenting/articles/844897/how-to-create-a-positive-learning-environment-at-home/

How to help your kids with homework (without doing it for them)

X https://theconversation.com/how-to-help-your-kids-with-homework-without-doing-it-forthem-126192

Idéllo

X https://www.idello.org/en

Mathies

https://www.mathies.ca/index.html#gsc.tab=0



Mr. Cook's Corner 10 Free Online Learning Resources For Kids - Learn Remotely!

X https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uNhFLvTH1qY

NEDSC - Northeastern Catholic District School Board Parent Toolkit

X https://www.ncdsb.on.ca/pdfs/ParentsToolkit.pdf

Remote Learning Tips for Parents Helping at Home

X https://www.teachthought.com/technology/remote-learning-tips-for-parents/

ScribJab

X http://www.scribjab.com

The Nature Conservatory Virtual Field Trips

X https://www.nature.org/en-us/about-us/who-we-are/how-we-work/youth-engagement/nature-lab/virtual-field-trips/



The Homework Battle: How to Get Children to Do Homework

X https://www.empoweringparents.com/article/the-homework-battle-how-to-get-children-to-do-homework/

5 Ways to Transform Your Home into a Positive Learning Environment for Your Kids

X https://rockandrolldaycare.com/5-ways-transform-home-positive-learning-environment-kids/

