

Dear Family,

We understand that you are looking for ways to support your children while they are out of school. Here are some suggestions that we have for you!

- Independent Daily Reading: Give your child plenty of time to read books they choose every day.
  - IDR Support for Parents [https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/IDR-Support-for-Parents\\_PL-4017.pdf](https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/IDR-Support-for-Parents_PL-4017.pdf)
  - IDR support for Parents – Spanish [https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/IDR-Support-for-Parents\\_Spanish\\_PL-4017.pdf](https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/IDR-Support-for-Parents_Spanish_PL-4017.pdf)
- Reading Practice for Young Students: If your child is receiving decoding instruction in small groups, you can access and download their practice reading using an app.
  - BookRoom App. Download the CCC BookRoom app. Use the barcodes <https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/BookRoom-Barcodes.pdf>
  - on the PDF to select the books that your child is reading. Check with your child's teacher about which books are appropriate..
    - <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/bookroom/id1434053627?mt=8>
    - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ccc.bookroom>Students will enjoy reading and rereading books from their current set and previous sets
  - Alphabet Book. If you have access to a printer, you can download and print an alphabet book. <https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Alphabet-Book.pdf>
    - Students can trace the letter and draw an illustration or write about an object, an action, an animal, ... that starts with that letter.
  - WordWorks! App. If your child is in grade 2, you can download the WordWorks! App to access activities tied to the word study instruction they've received. . Check with your child's teacher for guidance on what activities are appropriate for your child.
    - <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/wordworks/id1386815687?mt=8>
    - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=co.ccc.wordworks>
- Independent Writing: Children benefit from opportunities to write daily on topics they choose. We suggest that you:
  - Set aside time daily for writing
  - Ask your child to write about books they are reading
  - Ask your child to write about their day
  - Have your child observe a plant or tree (or other objects) closely and write about your observations
  - Encourage your child to write everyday items:
    - Grocery lists
    - Things to do today
    - Letter to \_\_\_\_\_
    - A persuasive letter to you explaining why they need more time for any activity they want to do (for example, online games or TV)

We have provided extensive support to teachers during this time. Please talk to your child's teacher if you have specific questions about how to support your child's academic growth outside school.

*We are not able to offer families access to the Learning Hub or Learning Portal. We need to ensure educators have uninterrupted access to their online resources.*