RESOURCES & ADVICE FOR PARENTS

This page is intended to house links to resources that provide guidance for parents. School leaders may wish to include some of these links in their correspondence with families.

Resource Name	Link	Description
UNICEF	https://www.unicef.or g/coronavirus/how-ta lk-your-child-about-c oronavirus-covid-19	Information for parents about talking to their children about COVID-19.
Dept of Health	https://www.he alth.gov.au/reso urces/translated	COVID-19 fact sheets and advice translated into a variety of languages for CALD families.
Student Wellbeing Hub	https://student wellbeinghub.e du.au/	Wellbeing resources specifically around COVID-19 for educators, parents and students.
TWINKL	https://www.twinkl.com.au/resources/australian-resources/school-closure-home-learning-australia	Home learning resource packs - Years F-6 Plus a great deal of advice/resources for parents. Australia - specific.
CECV	http://www.cecv.cath olic.edu.au/Coronavir us-information-for-pa rents	Advice to parents and school communities about Catholic education's response to COVID-19.
Khan Academy's School Closure Support	https://docs.google.c om/document/d/e/2P ACX-1vSZhOdEPAWi UQpqDkVAlJrFwxxZ9 Sa6zGOq0CNRms6Z7 DZNq-tQWS3OhuVC UbhP-WmksHAzbs rk9d/pub	Template schedules, self-paced, interactive activities, videos and articles for students in every grade and in most major subject areas that parents could adopt as is or copy and modify to better suit the needs of their children. It is all free and non-commercial.
Kathleen Morris (Geelong teacher with experience in home schooling)	http://www.kathleena morris.com/2020/03/1 7/parents-teaching-y oung-children/	Ten tips for parents teaching young children at home or supporting them with their learning.
Dr Michael Carr-Greg	https://schooltv.me/w ellbeing_news/specia l-report-coronavirus	Dr Michael Carr-Gregg has developed a video SPECIAL REPORT: Coronavirus for parents that parents may find helpful in easing child anxiety about COVID 19. This video is recommended through Ambulance VIC.
Department of Health and Human Services	www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/ coronavirus	Resources that explain the virus, detail risk-reduction practices and behaviours, and

		answers frequently asked questions.
		Note - the site offers information sheets available in Mandarin, Farsi and Korean.
K-12 Movie guides	https://k12movieguid es.com/2020/03/15/sc hool-closure-due-to-c orona-virus-covid-19-f ree-resources/	Educational movie guides for parents to use with children.
Tips for Parents and Families to support Home Learning	https://drive.google.c om/a/ceoballarat.cath olic.edu.au/file/d/1w9 B3IEDyq7-vyuWPhha MJz8LhY0If1R3/view? usp=sharing	Contributed by Paul Bissinella- SFX Ballarat.
NSW Dept of Education Advice to Parents	https://education. nsw.gov.au/teach ing-and-learning/ curriculum/learni ng-from-home/a dvice-to-parents- and-carers#Key0	Contains information for parents on key considerations, setting up a learning environment, wellbeing, communicating and using technology.
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	https://www.cdc. gov/coronavirus/ 2019-ncov/prepa re/managing-str ess-anxiety.html	Contains information on reducing stress on yourself and others and advice for parents on signs of stress to look for in their children and ideas on how to support them.
The Conversation	http://theconver sation.com/worri ed-about-your-c hild-getting-coro navirus-heres-w hat-you-need-to -know-131909	Facts for parents worried about their children getting COVID-19.
Child Mind Institute	https://childmin d.org/article/talki ng-to-kids-about -the-coronavirus /	Contains information on how to talk to children about COVID-19.
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta	https://sites.googl e.com/parra.cath olic.edu.au/contin uityoflearning/sa mple-communic ation-to-parents? authuser=0	Sample communication to parents
Beyond Blue	https://www.yout ube.com/watch?v =r_URnXXK4Ag&f	Helping kids cope with scary stuff in the news - clip.

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eSafety Commissioner	https://www.esaf ety.gov.au/about- us/blog/covid-19- online-safety-kit- parents-and-care rs?utm_medium =email&utm_cam paign=CV19%20al ert%20-%20paren ts%20%20general &utm_content=C V19%20alert%20- %20parents%20% 20general+CID_2 9af4f39070a97c9 3e3b83de0a5859 a7&utm_source= Email%20marketi ng%20software& utm_term=Learn %20more	Stay positive, keep learning 5 tips for children and families learning and living through social distancing MAKE TIME TO BE CREATIVE Paint. Write. Bake. Play. Dance. Make. Table time to discover new talents or nurture old ones ENORMOUSLY important for your mental and physical health. Plan your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible, caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay postible caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay post the caim and productive. Pian your days with time for work and play. This will help you to stay post the caim and productive. Pian your days with time to discover new talents or nurture old ones. Pian your days with time to discover new talents or nurture old ones. Pian your days with time to discover new talents or nurture old ones. Pian your days with time to discover new talents or nurture old ones. Pian your days with time to discover new talents or nurture old ones. Staying active is also really important. Getting moving title you have to t
Emerging Minds	https://vimeo.co m/394049129	Video for adults suggesting why and how you might go about talking to children about their worries.
A helpful graphic with advice for parents and children	https://docs.googl e.com/document /d/leyK9K6B6T2e brXHPMHdlVjet W38CjeZS6s0-de Drh0k/edit	
Helping your child learn to read - Webinar	https://youtu.be/5 kzaj-K4F2s	Jennifer Buckingham from MultiLit presents this free, sixty minute webinar for parents about helping children learn to read
Study.com	https://study.com/academy/popular/coronavirus-school-closure-homeschool-planner-and-daily-schedule.html	Parents and students can face this challenge with confidence when they have a good plan for how to maintain their educational progress during the time away from formal schooling. This article will help you to create a plan for what to do during your school's closure. A sample schedule is also included to help you successfully navigate this time of home-based learning. These tips and the sample schedule are appropriate for all ages and academic levels.
Read-Write	https://home.oxfo rdowl.co.uk/readi ng/reading-sche mes-oxford-levels /read-write-inc-p honics-guide/?ut	Here you can find lots of free resources to support your child's learning during the school closures. We have lots of free Read Write Inc. Phonics resources to help your child continue learning, including eBooks, practice sheets, slideshows, videos, and parent films. We will be adding more

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Evidence for Learning advice for parents	Advice for parents	As a result of the measures taken to control the COVID-19 pandemic, many children are not attending their regular school or early learning centre and may not do so for some time. This is leading schools and centres to develop educator led, home-supported learning. As a parent, you can be an effective partner in this learning. This page has some key learning concepts for you to keep in mind as you navigate your new, expanded role.
Dyslexia and Dysgraphia Webinar for parents	https://www.yout ube.com/watch?v =ANE_AIL288	Lyn Stone presents a webinar about dyslexia and dysgraphia.
Sparklers	https://sparklers.or g.nz/parenting/	Ideas for learning at home - that will spark interest without them knowing that they are learning!
Positive Behaviour Support	https://assets-global.website-files.com/5d3725188825e071f1670246/5e83b41b7df0210d47588d12_Supporting%20Families%20with%20PBIS%20at%20Home%20FINAL.pdf	some recommendations for families and caregivers on how to use Positive Behaviour Support to support their children's social and emotional growth and minimize behavioral disruptions in the home.