News Release



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New online package to support Learning At Home

The Education Minister has announced a major new "Learning At Home" online initiative to provide parents with practical advice and resources to help with home learning, while schools remain closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A new "Learning At Home" website has been launched today to supplement what schools are providing to support students to learn at home.

The content and structure of the website has been designed based on the feedback received from 1,000 parents and carers who took part in a survey.

Education Minister Senator Tracey Vallois said: "I am delighted to launch the new Learning At Home online platform to support parents who will be worried about COVID-19, home learning, and the impact that this will have on their child's development. Schools are doing everything they can to support students to learn at home.

"We need to support the incredible work that our schools are already doing to ensure students continue to receive the education they deserve and need. No-one expects parents to replace their child's teacher. Our schools will continue to manage their students' learning."

The main aim of the new website is to provide parents and carers of primary and secondary school pupils with the necessary tools to support them with home learning.

This new online platform is aimed at students aged 3-19. There are simple guidelines to assist parents and carers with learning at home, and to support them in maintaining the safety and wellbeing of their family.

Senator Vallois added: "I would like to acknowledge and thank everyone across the Children, Young People, Education and Skills Department. There has been a huge amount of work undertaken to provide continuity of learning for students through online platforms, email and other resources, particularly where access to digital resources is more limited

"It is vital that our education system remains in a position to respond to the latest public health advice as it emerges during Covid-19. It is rare for families to have so much time together at home, so make this experience a positive memory, where it can be. Learning should be fun and enjoyable. Please do use this new educational website for tips on how to support your child's learning as well as learning how you can look after you and your family's wellbeing, health and safety throughout this period, and beyond."

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Notes to Editors

1. For further information, please contact the press office on 01534 440430 or pressoffice@gov.je

2. The new website: https://learningathome.gov.je/