

Ideas for Home Learning for Middle School Students

Online Learning (require student logins)

- Seesaw: You will have received a home learning code (either paper copy brought home by your child this week or an email) enabling your child to use seesaw at home in the way they do at school. If you need another copy please email your child's teacher. You will need to download the classroom version of the app for learning rather than using your parent app. Over the coming weeks your child's teacher will post a range of Seesaw activities that your child can complete within the app.
- Epic: This is a reading app we use in class that gives children access to over 35000 ebooks. This includes audiobooks that the children can listen to and other books that the children read along with. Over the coming days your child's teacher will send you an email to invite you to sign up with epic from home. Access from home is usually paid but Epic has made it free until June 30th due to pending school closures. If you need another email invitation please email your child's teacher.
- StudyLadder: This is a website that allows children to log in and complete tasks that have been assigned by their teacher in literacy, maths and many other areas. If this is used in your child's class you may have the student login details already or will receive them shortly via email. You will also receive information about how to create a parent account to enable home access. If your child needs their login details please email their teacher for them.

Websites- (no login required)

Maths:

- <https://maths.prototec.co.nz/>
- <https://www.timestables.co.nz/>
- <https://nzmaths.co.nz/number-knowledge-activities>
- <https://nzmaths.co.nz/student-task-sheets>

Literacy

- <https://www.storylineonline.net/>
- <https://storytime.rnz.co.nz/>
- <https://www.abcya.com/> (both literacy and maths)

No Screens Required Learning Activities

Maths:

- Ideas for everyday activities that include maths such as cooking and gardening.
<https://nzmaths.co.nz/maths-our-house>
- Learn a set of timetables. 2s, 5s and 10s are the ones to start with
- Play board games and card games
- Do jigsaw puzzles
- Use construction equipment such as lego
- Learn to count in another language

Literacy:

- Keep a journal and write an entry each day
- Write a comic, a play, poems, songs, stories or your first chapter book!
- Read for 15 minutes everyday, talk about the main events in the book or the characters
- Reread and listen to others read favourite books
- Play Scrabble or Boggle
- Start learning a new language
- Make up an alphabet code and write secret messages
- Learn to spell high-interest words such as places, important people's names, favourite activities or game names etc
- Connect with family and friends using email

The Arts

- Put on a play or show for the family
- Sing along to favourite songs
- Make up dances
- Paint, draw and colour
- Learn a new craft
- Make a sculpture out of recycled boxes and plastic containers etc

Physical Activity

- Make an indoor or outdoor obstacle course
- Play games in the backyard
- Skip with a skipping rope
- Bounce a tennis ball against a wall

Itime/ Inquiry learning

- Explore the answer to questions of interest e.g. What is a black hole? How can you tell the difference between an alligator and a crocodile?
- Learn a new skill