COVID 19 Sure Start Update

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Welcome to our first Sure Start Update mail out. I thought it would be useful to share with all projects many of the new emerging services all 38 Projects are coming up with in such times of difficulty. Below is a high level summary of many of the services, technologies, resources etc. being used to support families remotely during the current crisis. The attached Zip file also gives a wider range of project level details from Sure Start colleagues that gives a bit more detail. Facebook is proving invaluable at staying connected and I would advise everyone to keep an eye on projects pages for hints and tips. Lastly there are now a wide range of free educational resources being made available online so as you find them please share!

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Practice Sharing Ideas

How to engage remotely with Sure Start families

WhatsApp Groups:



Pre recorded groups:



Zoom video App



Live Streaming



Facebook Live



Create a YouTube Channel



Video Calls



Daily Calls



Instagram



Useful Resources



Learning through Play



Audible Stories



Pinterest



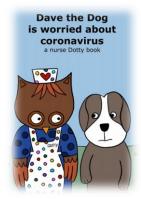
the corona virus



David Walliams



Loose Parts Play



Explaining corona virus



Creative resources for parents and teachers.



The Imagination Tree



Red Ted Art



Peeple centre



Check out some of our Sure Start Projects videos, live steams and Resources



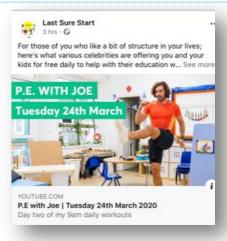




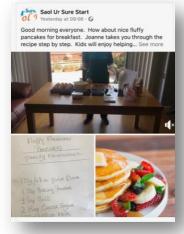
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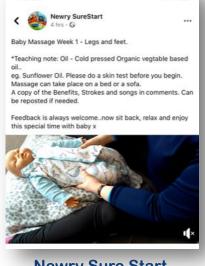
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Useful APPS Action for Children				
APPS	Name	Category	Cost	Information
.	Catch It	Mental Health	Free	Learn how to manage feelings like anxiety and depression with catch it. It will teach you how to look at problems in a different way, turn negative thoughts into positive ones and improve your mental wellbeing.
	Stress and Anxiety Companion	Mental Health	Free	Learn how to handle stress and anxiety on-the-go. Using breathing exercises, relaxing music and games designed to calm the mind, it helps you change negative thoughts to help you better cope with life's ups and down
J.	Calm Harm	Mental Health	Free	Calm harm is designed to help people resist or manage the urge to self-harm. It's private and password protected.
MEE	Meetwo	Mental Health, Online Community, Child Health	Free	Meetwo provides a safe and secure forum for teenagers wanting to discuss any issue affecting their lives. You can anonymously get advice from experts or other teenagers going through similar experiences in areas such as mental health, self-harming, relationships and friendships.
8	Peanut	Pregnancy and Baby, Online Community	Free	Peanut aims to make sure no one must navigate womanhood alone, especially the hard parts. It gives you access to a social network to connect with other women across fertility and motherhood. It aims to make it easy to meet, chat and learn from like-minded women.
	Pzizz	Sleep	Free	Pzizz helps you quickly calm your mind, fall asleep fast, stay asleep, and wake up refreshed. It uses "dreamscapes" – a mix of music, voiceovers and sound effects designed using the latest clinical research to help you sleep better at night or take power naps during the day.
COUCH TO <u>SK</u>	Couch To 5K	Health and Lifestyle	Free	Walk and run your way to 5k this couch to 5k app designed to take total beginners from walking to running for 30 minutes in just 9 weeks. Presented in association with BBC get inspired, it builds you up gradually with a mix of running and walking.
Colm	Calm	Meditation and Relaxation Aid	Free	In the calm app, the daily calm is a 10-minute meditation that's new every day. Relaxing nature sounds from the calm app for relaxation, deep sleep and focus
	My Affirmations	Live Positive	Free	Life does not happen to you; it happens for you. Your life is your creation. What you believe in will become your reality. Affirmations help you to change the outlook of your life by impregnating positive thoughts in your subconscious mind. Once you believe in a thought, that thought begins to manifest into reality.

Meditation has been shown to help people stress less, Sleep and Guided Meditation **Head Space**

Sleep and Guided Meditation

Lets Meditate

focus more and even sleep better. Headspace is Free meditation made simple. We'll teach you the life-changing skills of meditation and mindfulness in just a few minutes a day. 7 cups connect you to caring listeners for free emotional support. Grow at your own pace. Explore self-help guides 7 Cups – Anxiety & Stress Mental Health Free & growth paths for proven tips and advice on how to feel Chat

A very straightforward approach to guided meditation; no

clutter, no distraction. Just choose a track and hit play.

Free It's as simple as it can get.

Video's from Best Practice Event, Dungannon Sure Start.

These may be useful guide for staff to do at home during this time.

Inclusion:



Environment:



Leadership & Management:



Dungannon:



Fathers:



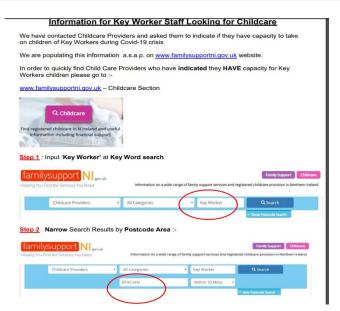
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Information for Keyworker Staff looking for Child Care via Family Support NI



Helping You Find the Services You Need



Please Check Public Health Agency Website Regular for COVID 19 Updates







https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/

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Partnership working is at the root of What makes Sure Start work