Useful Online Resources

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**Get Hackney Talking website**

**gethackneytalking.co.uk**

*Our website has a range of leaflets, fact sheets, resources, ideas for at home, and information about milestones. Look at the ‘Parents’ and ‘Resources’ sections where you will find information written by our team of Speech and Language Therapists on how to support your child at home.*



**Get Hackney Talking Facebook page**

**https://www.facebook.com/gethackneytalking**

*Follow our Facebook page for regular updates and ideas. It is run by Speech and Language Therapists in our team and we share our top tips and signpost families to helpful resources and events in Hackney.*

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[**Your child's journey from birth to five | Hackney Education**](https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/your-childs-journey-birth-five)

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*Our journey from birth to five years provides you with trusted, age related and local information. It helps you to find your path through the many local activities and services available to support you and your family in Hackney, and to ensure that your child/children are happy, healthy and ready to learn.*



**BBC’s Tiny Happy People**

**bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people**

*Tiny Happy People has an array of tips, activity ideas, resources, and advice for parents of children under 5. We recommend looking at all activities on the website, and not just the one’s signposted for your child’s chronological age. Choose activities that follow your child’s interests and developmental stage of their communication skills. They also have great advice for multilingual families and parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities.*



**Hungry Little Minds**

**hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk**

*Hungry Little Minds provides parents with a range of suggestions, advice and ideas for parents to do at home with their children. The resources are broken down into age stages, and again we recommend looking at all ideas to suit your child’s developmental stage and interests.*

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**Makaton**

**youtube.com/user/makatoncharity**

*Makaton signing helps children to communicate by making language visual. Your therapist may have recommended using Makaton signing alongside spoken language to support your child. Start by choosing 3-4 key signs that would be helpful for you and your child on a daily basis (e.g. more, help, finished, eat, drink or nappy/toilet) and focus on using these during your daily routines. Makaton’s YouTube channel has a video for every sign.*

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**Words for Life**

**wordsforlife.org.uk**

*This website is made by the National Literacy Trust and has lots of great ideas for supporting language development for children under 5. You can look at activity ideas by age range, communication area, or by theme.*

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[**hackneylocaloffer.co.uk**](hackneylocaloffer.co.uk)

*Hackney’s Local Offer of services for education, health, social care and leisure services available locally for children aged 0 – 4 years.*



**The Communication Trust and I CAN**

[**ican.org.uk**](https://ican.org.uk/)

*A guide on what to expect with children’s communication and development at different ages*

You can find more useful links on our website, here: [gethackneytalking.co.uk/parents/ideas/early-years-ideas-2/useful-links/](https://gethackneytalking.co.uk/parents/ideas/early-years-ideas-2/useful-links/)