**Book Related Ideas for the Easter Holidays**

Visit [The Gruffalo](https://www.facebook.com/OfficialGruffalo/) page on Facebook to see videos of Julia Donaldson and Friends. They’ll be performing songs, stories and poems from her classic children’s books. You can watch live at 4pm on Fridays or view the videos on the Facebook page afterwards. Julia and Axel have also produced these great illustrations to help children understand the current restrictions.

[Hachette Children’s Group](https://www.facebook.com/hachettekids/?__xts__%5B0%5D=68.ARDM_Ym-5xxp2nxkuCCbHRr6wJ0cW2YyDtMGA2b0S-JQs-FhsOwH_6W7pFvEbw0qMcxNR1dT3l5uGTQ7Fzyrcze4fXSZ9g_n4X7pXlIa8UkmaRcAnGegmVXpap9vSd1mkyT6fA1YrgQiafcDRpdsUZUOZPcW4MGv-x7c6rZxZWHy-syNzajPnlSwuOCvNUV9BJcQh1EW371SpSCse5HHblKdVzedExlBe-3ZTnXvYB_M4MswrGPfhrdWSmcvwGSiPIb3vRmo6G1XA_eoS45OQSkxFLmns5eVhNTOSxH5crm8ZXL4SpisYLR7zjTI-kMYRXBenlGMTAD7EAI6em37-DZf-J66DAorTK-ndwIM_jsNjzb6) are offering free audio versions of some of their most popular books, including Beast Quest, Rainbow Fairies and Animal Ark.

Jonny Duddle, author and illustrator of The Pirate Cruncher series, The Pirates Next Door and Gigantosauras has started a YouTube channel called [DoodlewithDuddle](https://youtu.be/p-IsNI3-ggE).

Dav Pilkey of Captain Underpants and Dog Man fame has launched a weekly series of YouTube videos, [Dav Pilkey at Home](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLpAGnumt6iV6fcun8XGk41DqOMZLs-qT2), which can be watched live or afterwards at a more convenient time. He also announced this week that he is working on a new spin-off series of books about Cat Kid. The first one is due out 1 December 2020.

If your children haven’t yet fallen under the spell of J K Rowling’s wonderful world of Harry Potter, now is the perfect time. Not only is the first book in the series free on [Audible](https://stories.audible.com/discovery) at the moment (narrated by the brilliant Stephen Fry), but a new website [Harry Potter at Home](https://www.wizardingworld.com/collections/harry-potter-at-home) has been launched, packed with fun games and activities and beginners guides for those new to the series.

Finally, if you want a twist on the rainbows in windows initiative, this [colour-in poster](file:///C:\Users\clair\Desktop\TA%20Work\What_are_you_reading_today_poster.pdf) includes space to show everyone what you’re reading. The idea is to inspire other children, out for their daily exercise, to get reading too.