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One of the main ways to support your child in Gaelic Medium Education is to learn Gaelic yourself. Even if you're only able to use a few words at first, speaking Gaelic at home, out and about, and with your family is a great way to help children learn and value the language.

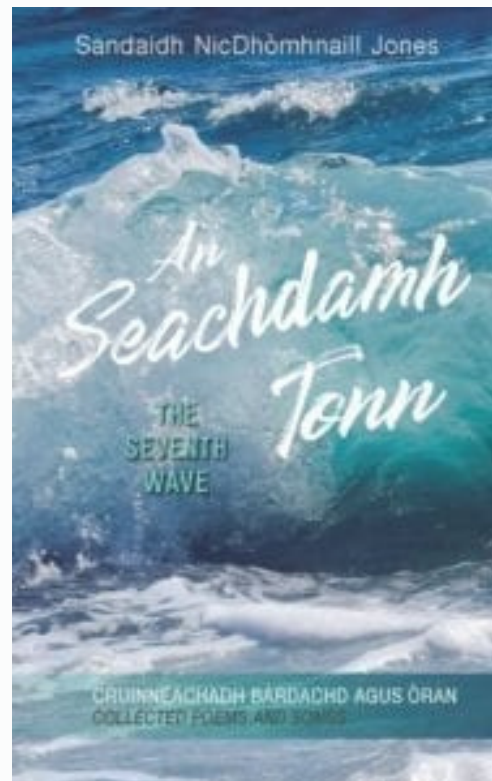
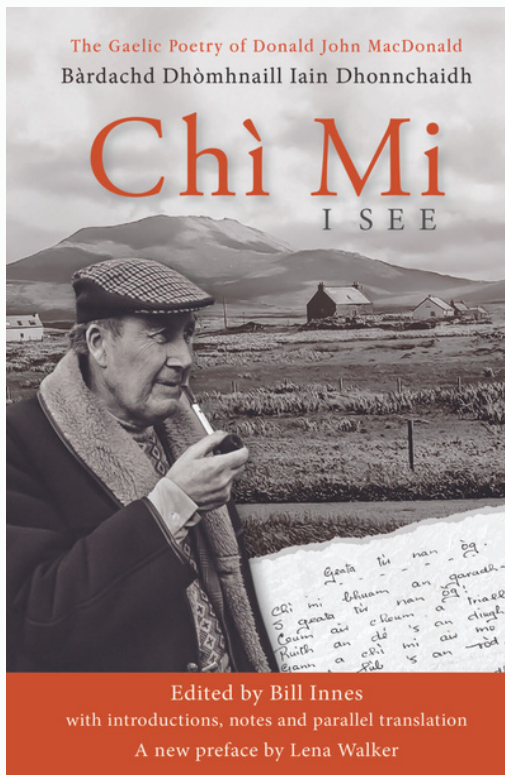
To get the best out of Gaelic Medium Education, it's important that children hear Gaelic outside school and don't view it as a language they can only use in the classroom. From radio to TV, books to games, we've selected some of the most helpful resources around to get you started.

Deiseil, deònach, dèan às!

Acair

Acair publishes a wide range of Scottish Gaelic and bilingual books for all ages. As well as children's books, they have a range of titles for adults covering topics such as history, nature, Scotland and social issues. They also publish a range of free children's Gaelic audiobooks.

acairbooks.com



Bothan Dhùn Èideann

Edinburgh's Gaelic night club, Bothan Dhùn Èideann, is run by volunteers who create a rich and varied programme of events. Meeting generally on the first Friday of every month, Bothan offers a night of Gaelic arts, chat and good company.

facebook.com/BothanDE

Bòrd na Gàidhlig

Scotland's national Gaelic language body Bòrd na Gàidhlig encourages the use and understanding of the Gaelic language. Their website has helpful information for parents and teachers.

gaidhlig.scot

BBC Alba

News, lifestyle, music, history and more all feature on BBC Alba. There's also ALBA Bitesize, which offers curriculum-related Gaelic resources for children, and CBeebies ALBA which has a range of programmes for children, from firm favourites to hidden gems.

bbc.co.uk/tv/bbcalba

Alba Bitesize

CBeebies Alba

Cànan nan Gàidheal

This free course from the Open University allows you to study at your own pace and covers a great range of material.

open.edu

Ceòlas

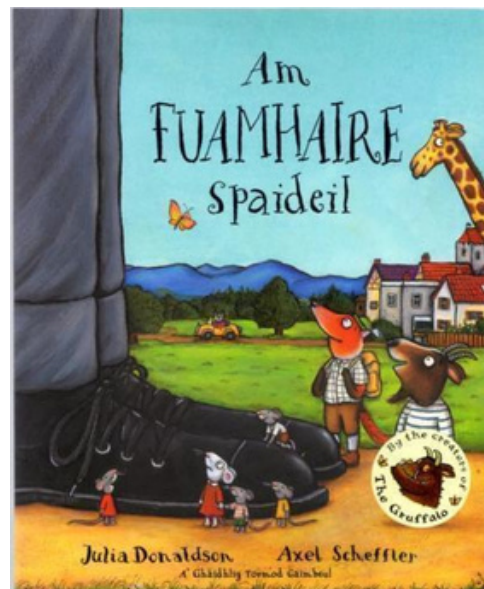
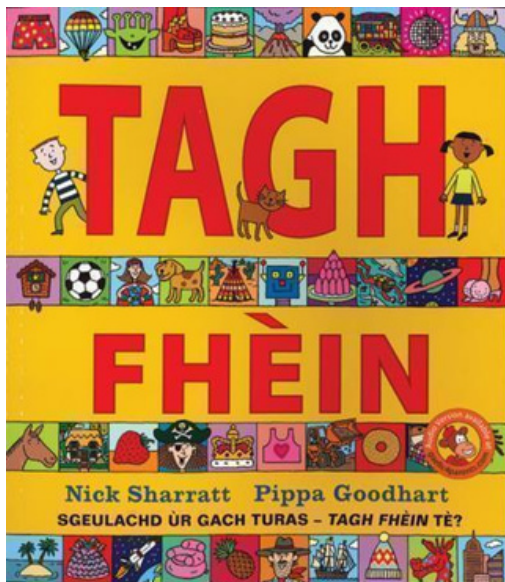
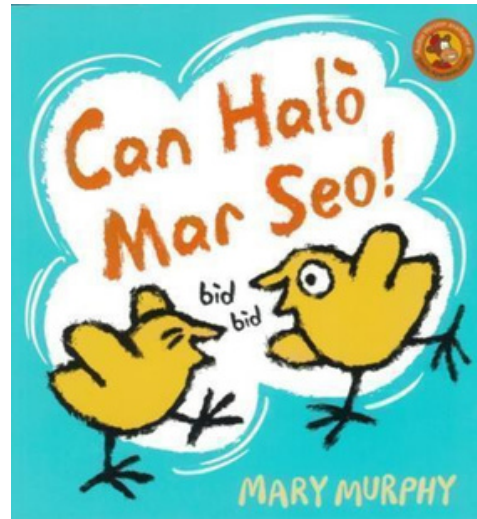
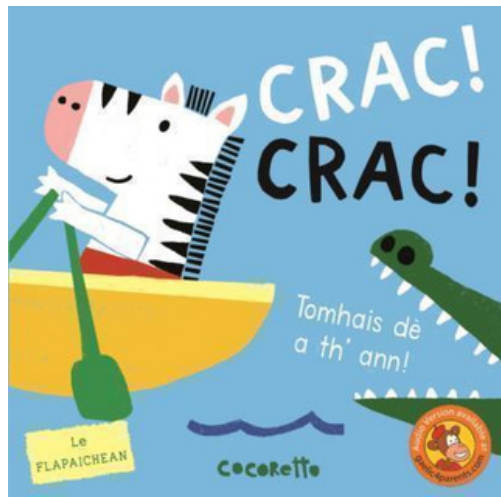
Based in South Uist, Ceòlas runs Gaelic events and activities throughout the year, including summer schools, immersion courses and classes.

ceolas.co.uk

Comhairle nan Leabhraichean

Comhairle nan Leabhraichean (Gaelic Books Council) supports readers, writers and publishers of Gaelic. Their online shop has a great range of books for all ages, with an extensive selection for young children.

gaelicbooks.org



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Cròileagan

Cròileagan are playgroups for children under five to introduce Gaelic to young children and their carers. They offer a relaxed and friendly environment to learn about Gaelic language and culture, and to encourage young ones (and their families) to take their first steps in the language.

Running during term time, there are Cròileagan groups meeting in Tollcross and Leith. In addition, their blog has a great range of resources, including songs, sound files and word mats to help you and your wee ones on your Gaelic language journey.

edinburghcroileagan.blogspot.com

facebook.com/croileagan

twitter.com/croileagan



Cròileagan Dhùn Èideann

DuoLingo

DuoLingo offers a free, fun and effective way to learn Gaelic. It features quick, bite-sized lessons which help you gain real-world communication skills.

[duolingo.com](https://www.duolingo.com)

Am Faclair Beag

Your essential dictionary for checking Gaelic language.

[faclair.com](https://www.faclair.com)

Fèis Dhùn Èideann

A volunteer-run organisation providing traditional music and Gaelic singing tuition to 6-18 year olds.

**email: Gillian Macdonald at
feisdhuneideann@feisean.org**

Gaelic4Parents

Dedicated to supporting children and their families, Gaelic4Parent's site features 200 audiobooks, as well as songs, flashcards, interactive audio games. They also have information about each stage of learning and offer a homework helpline.

gaelic4parents.com

Gàidhlig ann an Dùn Èideann Gaelic in Edinburgh

To find out more about the history of Gaelic in Edinburgh, as well as the range of activities taking place in the city, see this helpful guide created by the University of Edinburgh.

ed.ac.uk

Gàidhlig nan Òg

Featuring sound files, stories, songs and activities, Gaidhlig nan Òg gives parents and carers a range of resources to help use Gaelic in the home.

gaidhlig-nan-og.scot

Go! Gaelic

Although primarily aimed at teachers, Go Gaelic has great tools for all learners, including games, songs, audio files and videos.

go-gaelic.scot

Goireasan Gàidhlig airson Pàrantan

A comprehensive collection of resources for parents of pupils in pre-school and primary Gaelic Medium Education.

foghlamgaidhlig/GoireasanParantan

Learn Gaelic

This engaging online resource provides support for all levels of Gaelic language speakers, from beginners to proficient. Their free online courses, such as Little by Little (Beag air Bheag) and Speaking our Language, are a great way to start your learning journey.

learngaelic.scot

Lothian Gaelic Choir

Lothian Gaelic Choir was established in 1985, and won the Puirt a Beul and the Lovat and Tullibardine Shield at the 2018 Royal National Mòd. The choir meets on Thursday evenings, and new members are always welcome.

lothiangaelicchoir.org.uk

Radio nan Gàidheal

Run by the BBC, Radio nan Gàidheal is Scotland's Gaelic language radio station and features news, sports, music programmes and more. It's a great way to get Gaelic into your home (and your car!).

bbc.co.uk

Sabhal Mòr Ostaig

Sabhal Mòr Ostaig is a unique college where people worldwide learn and study through Gaelic. For beginners onwards, the college offers a range of courses for all levels, including distance learning, short courses, learning weekends and summer courses.

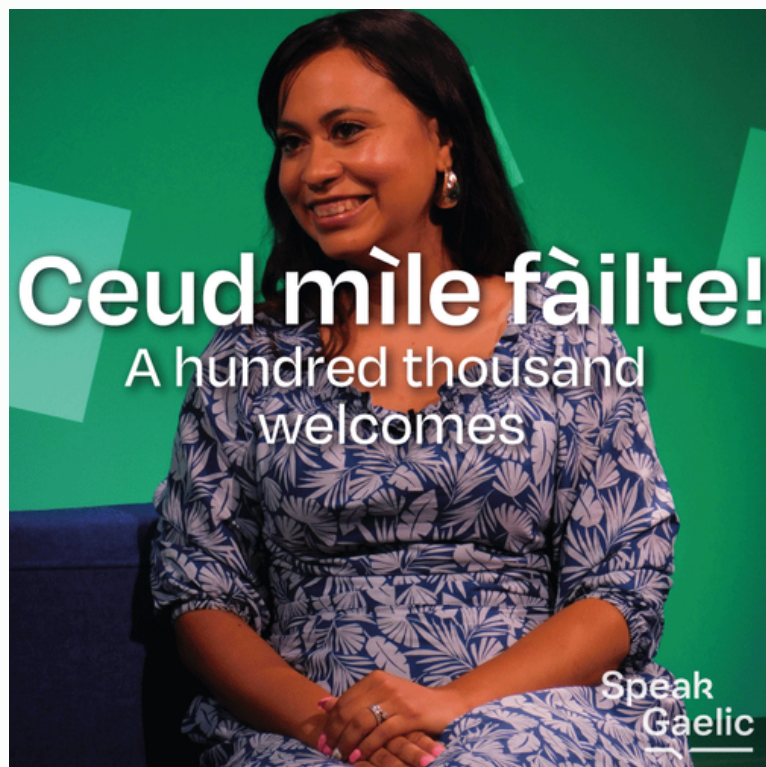
smo.uhi.ac.uk



Speak Gaelic

This comprehensive website has self-guided learning, materials and class-finders so you can start your Gaelic journey. The curriculum was developed by Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, and the site also has content from BBC iPlayer, BBC ALBA, BBC Sounds, BBC Radio nan Gàidheal and YouTube.

speakgaelic.scot



Speech Therapy and Gaelic (STAG)

The home of Gaelic resources for children who have speech sound difficulties, Stag has downloads, games and other activities to support learning.

speechtherapyandgaelic.org

Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig

Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig coordinates the production and distribution of Gaelic educational resources throughout Scotland. Through their programme, resources are distributed free of charge to nurseries, primary schools, secondary schools and lifelong learning groups.

storlann.co.uk

Yakety Yak Language Cafe

Edinburgh-based language company Yakety Yak hosts Gaelic language sessions throughout the year, including group and one-to-one sessions.

yaketyyak-languagecafe.co.uk

Have we missed anything?

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If you'd like to suggest any additions to this guide, contact us at:

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