



Given that so many of us are now spending so much more time in our homes, now is an excellent time to take some time to enjoy reading for pleasure. We are therefore inviting everyone in Mount Carmel to join the nation to take time out and to '***Drop Everything and Read***' for 20 minutes at

12 noon on Friday April 24th 2020.

Work will be put down, computer screens will be turned off, and everyone will be encouraged to pick up a book, magazine, newspaper, e-book, audio book, etc. and to read quietly, or indeed be read to, for 20 minutes (or more!).

When is DEAR celebrated?

The official time and date for DEAR Ireland 2020 is **12 noon on Friday April 24th**.

Can DEAR be celebrated at a different time/date?

Of course. If you cannot participate in **DEAR** at the official date and time, then please show your support by registering and taking time to read on a date and time to suit you. **DEAR** can be celebrated at any time on any day, or better still, every day!

What do I need to do to participate in DEAR?

All those planning to participate in the 2020 National ***Drop Everything and Read*** Challenge (individuals, families, schools, organisations, companies, etc.) are asked to **register [here](#)**.