



To: Education Officials, Principals, Teachers, and Parents of EFAL Grade 7-9 learners

Topic: **Rebooting the system – Extended learning at home**

Message Objective(s):

- Help learners develop the skills of an independent learner
- Promote cooperation between home and school in supporting each child's learning

Message: Extended learning plays a key role in consolidating the learning process. Skills that are developed in school provide opportunities for learners to become critical thinkers and develop established routines that will give structure to their learning process. Furthermore, learning at home forms an important part of school life and it contributes to learner progress and attainment. Schools should work with SGBs to promote and support extended learning. For instance, programmes online and television schedules of lessons offered need to be shared with schools.

Benefits of extended learning

- ✓ Teaches and instils time management
- ✓ Promotes self-learning and continuity
- ✓ Develops critical thinking skills because of self-learning
- ✓ Boosts memory and retention
- ✓ Provides practice, sharpens memory and concentration
- ✓ Learners get the opportunity to revise content
- ✓ Enables all aspects of the curriculum to be covered in sufficient depth
- ✓ Helps develop persistence and determination

From: DIANA NGONO (CA Grade 7-9 EFAL) -Dianan@nect.org.za

Reference: <https://nect.org.za/materials/recovery-atps-trackers>