

Kids Missing that Party Life?

1- Have Them Dress Up Fancy. Even if there will be no guests beyond your immediate family, have your child wear their favorite fancy outfit and if the rest of the family wants to get in on the dress-up action, the more the merrier.

2- Host A Digital Party. Zoom, FaceTime, HouseParty, Google Hangouts, pick your poison and host a digital party—or two—throughout the day. You can keep these meetings simple (and short!) or you can choose a theme (LEGOs, Dress-Up, Tea Party, Play-Doh, Dance Party, etc.) to keep the kids focused.

3- If the weather is still too cold to go out, or if you don't have access to a safe space go for an indoor dance party. Kids like the Freeze Dancers game at the Amazon Echo Dot for kids. Other contact-free games might include Limbo or musical chairs. For finding music, you probably know that most online streaming services offer their own kid-friendly playlists.

4- Have a Netflix Party: This is a neat feature Netflix offers – you can start watching a movie WITH friends and chat along with them while you watch. You'll just go to Netflix Party to get started. Once you pick a movie you'll receive a link you can send out to others to invite them to join you.

5- Virtual Entertainment Parties can be magic, puppets, characters, scavenger hunt, or some combination.

6- Hogwarts Digital Escape Room. This free Harry Potter themed virtual escape room was created by Sydney Krawiec, Youth Services Librarian at Peters Township Public Library in McMurray, PA. You can complete this escape room as a group or as individual as many times as you like. To do it as a remote party, you'll want to screen share from a Zoom room or Google Hangout.

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7- Untap: allows any number of players to join your kid's virtual Magic the Gathering game, all for free(3-5 players is best). Kids will need their own accounts and will want to build their own virtual MtG decks beforehand. What's particularly great: you can take decklists from other places on the internet (Tappedout.net, etc.) and copy/paste to get started. The host adds the games to the list of 'available games' and the invited guests join in at the designated time.

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