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Dear Parents

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. I know this is a difficult time for you all and I am aware that you want to continue to support your child with their education. On the next few pages are lists of suggested work you could do with your child next week. I understand that everyone's circumstances are different (time-wise and access to the internet) so help your child to complete as many activities as you can. It is important to complete activities in the workbooks first. All other work should be written into their copies or on sheets of paper which could be stored in a folder for me to look at when next we meet. So you may need to buy some copies, a folder/scrapbook.

Some of their work involves logging onto some websites. Hopefully you will be able to do that but I understand if that is not possible.

The websites you will need to access the most are

- folens.ie (for English, Maths and SESE).
- fallons.ie (for English)

(both websites are offering free access to parents at the moment)

Other websites that are useful are

- operation maths edco online- click on your class for Maths and English activities
- www.twinkl.ie :It is offering free subscription to parents in light of the school closure. This is a great website for extra worksheets and art/craft activities if you have access to a printer.To sign up use the code IRLTWINKLHELPS: <https://www.twinkl.ie/offer>
- librariesireland- join the library online. Log into @BorrowBox to download ebooks and audio books.You will need to register first.
- www.oxfordowl.co- good website for reading.You will have to register to gain access to the ebooks.
- www.familylearning.org.uk/phonics- links to phonics games.
- www.starfall.com- lots of games and reading activities based on abc's and simple words(Learn to read)
- www.communication4all.co.uk-Jolly phonics cards for matching, lotto game, letter formation worksheets.
- www.topmarks.co.uk- quality resources,click on early years/KS1
- Cula4.com and seomra ranga for Irish
- Facebook.com/futafata for Irish-at 11 a.m each day.
- Padlet.com for Junior and Senior Infant activities
- www.phonicsplay.co.uk
- Art ideas pinterest and iamanartist.ie
- Cosmic yoga and gonoodle for physical activities (great ways to get kids moving). Joe Wicks, body coach

is doing a daily workout-www.youtube.com

- Askaboutireland(History, Geography and Science activities)
- Music: www.singup.org/home-schooling to learn new songs
- RTEHomeSchool is launching a daily virtual classroom for all primary school kids. Watch it on RTE2 from 11am.

It is important to establish a daily routine for your child regarding their school work .Breaks need to be factored in between written activities so it is important to encourage your child to do lots of other activities which are not school work based .

Ongoing activities which you can include each day.

- Kicking/throwing/rolling a ball
- Hopscotch
- Twister (if you have it)
- Play Simon Says
- Read to your child and ask them questions about the books. Encourage your child to read a variety of Books.
- board games
- puzzles
- construction-lego, blocks etc.
- Action poems from website topmarks.com
- cooking/baking (great for Numeracy)
- gardening
- free writing- writing without any help.Write simple sentences.
- Shopping lists
- Continue to cut, paste colour, draw, play with playdough. (If you don't have playdough I have included a recipe which you can make with your child
- dot-to-dots, mazes, stencils
- nature walks

I know it will be hard to juggle everything during these difficult weeks but doing some school work each day and keeping a routine while having time to play in and outdoors will be very important for your child. If you have any questions regarding any of the work please contact me using the email drinaghtteachers@gmail.com

Kind regards and happy Easter

Nora Perkins

Recipe -Playgough

Ingredients

- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup salt
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups water
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons vegetable oil
- Food colouring (optional)

Directions

Sift dry ingredients. Mix liquids and add colouring if desired. Pour dry ingredients into liquid mixture. Cook over low to moderate heat, stirring constantly until thickened mixture begins to loosen from sides of the pan. Knead. Cool. Store in a plastic bag or sealed airtight container.

**** Remember this is a list of suggested activities. Do as much as you can each day. Don't forget to have time to play in the Spring weather.**

1st Class

30/3/20

Monday

English

- Reading

Starlight Combined Skills Book Unit 5B- Waiter There's a Dog in my Soup

Read the poem a few times and explain the focus words at the bottom of pg.42

Learn the focus words

Do Activity A on pg.43

- Spellings

Spellbound Week 24: Revision week. Each night revise spellings from these weeks and do an Exercise each night also.

Spelling list: Practise a word each night. During revision week put a word from this list into a sentence each night.

- Handwriting Book pg.50
- Phonics: In your copy make write as many words as you can ending in **-eed** (e.g feed). Make sentences with 4 of the words from the list.
- Diary: Each day write a diary entry in your copy and draw a picture under it. Don't forget to write the day and date. It might be a nice thing to look back on afterwards to help you remember what you did during these weeks at home.

**** For early finishers go to folens.ie and find Starlight 1st Class resources. There are printable activities linked to the reader. Any activity from 4b onwards can be printed off)**

Maths

www.topmarks.com have lots of Maths activities and games which you should do as often as possible.

Monday Mental Maths

Tables: Subtraction tables -1

Planet Maths: 3-D shapes pg.123.

(If you can log into folens.ie and log onto Planet Maths 1st Class.Click on **Strand Shape and Space** and click on **topic 3-D shapes**. Do the activities on this topic)

Irish

Bun go Barr pg. 44,45

- Read and learn the words on these pages.
- Write a shopping list for the Toy Shop in your copy using these words.

Oral Irish: If you can log into folens.ie. Go to Abair Liom C for 1st Class. Click on Lesson 01 Is Feidir Liom

- Lesson Is Feidir Liom: Open comhra and listen to the conversation and get your child to repeat it. Do the **ceisteanna** in this section also.
- Learn the poem Is Feidir Liom.(Click on **Postaer** to hear the poem)

Religion

Religion for the week is The Easter story. Visit the Veritas Grow in Love website. Click on 1st class and find Holy Week and Easter. Look at lessons 1 and 2 and look at the videos of Easter. Write the Easter story in your copy and draw a picture of Jesus on the cross. If you have problems with Veritas go to twinkl.com for the Easter story or maybe you have a children's bible where you can read the story together.

Tuesday

English

- Reading

Starlight Combined Skills Book Unit 5B- Waiter There's a Dog in my Soup

Read the poem again and check you know the new words .Find the rhyming words in the poem e.g cup/pup

Do Activity B on pg.43. In your copy make sentences with 4 of the focus words at the bottom of pg. 42.

- Spellings Week 24: Revision week. Each night revise spellings from these weeks and do an Exercise each night also.
 - Spelling list: Practise a word each night. During revision week put a word from this list into a sentence each night.
 - Phonics: Sounds Good Phonics pg. 34.
 - Diary Entry
- ** Early finishers: In your copy make a list of words beginning with the letter blends fl, gr, tr,sn.

Maths

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Tuesday Mental Maths

Planet Maths: 3-D shapes pg.124. Using card or paper can you make a cube, cuboid, cylinder. What 2-D shapes will you use? Do activities on folens.ie on 3-D shapes. You could log onto twinkl website and type in Easter baskets and make a cube Easter basket.

Tables: Subtraction tables -1

Irish

- Bun go Barr : Read all the words on pg, 44,45 again. Exercise A pg.46
- Oral Irish: Abair Liom C for 1st Class. Click on Lesson 01 Is Feidir Liom Listen to the conversation again. Say the poem Is Feidir Liom and do the activity "Pleasc an Balun"

SESE (Geography)

Go to folens.ie and click on Unlocking SESE for 1st Class. Go to the ebook pg. 19 and 20. Discuss pg. 19 and do the activities from pg. 20 in your copy.

Wednesday

English

- Reading

Starlight Combined Skills Book Unit 5B- Waiter There's a Dog in my Soup

Read the poem once more. Can you say it without looking at the book. Check you know all the focus words on pg.42

Read the next page of your novel Mouse Trouble. Put any difficult words into sentences.

Do Activities A and B on pg.44. Don't forget to make sentences with the words **to, two, too** .

Go to folens.ie and find Starlight 1st Class resources and do Grammar activity 5b-Food Poems 2

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- Spelling list: Practise a word each night. During revision week put a word from this list into a sentence each night.
- Phonics: In your copy write as many words as you can ending with **-eel** e.g. feel.
- Handwriting Book pg. 51
- Diary Entry

****Early finishers:** Make sentences with 4 of the words from the -eel word list

Maths

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Wednesday Mental Maths

Tables: Subtraction tables -1

Planet Maths pg. 135. In your copy write the 12 months

Write 4 sentences about your favourite season (if you have time). Log onto folens.ie website. Go to Planet Maths 1st class. Click on **Measures** on Strand and click on **Topic** and do activities on **time**.

Irish

- Bun go Barr : Read all the phrases on pg.46. Read pg.47 and trace the words.
- Oral Irish: Abair Liom C for 1st Class. Click on Lesson 01 Is Feidir Liom: Amhran " An Chlann" and do Focloir 1 and ceisteanna. (click on **Postaer** to find these)

Thursday

English

- Reading

Novel **Mouse Trouble** : Read next page. Put any difficult words into sentences.

Check you know all the focus words on pg.42 from Starlight Combined Skills Book and do pg. 45 in your book.

- Spellings Week 24: Revision week. Each night revise spellings from these weeks and do an Exercise each night also.
- Spelling list: Practise a word each night. During revision week put a word from this list into a sentence each night.
- Phonics : Sounds Good Phonics pg. 35.
- Diary Entry

** Early finishers: In your copy make a list of words beginning with the letter blends cl, sc, sw, pl.

Maths

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Thursday Mental Maths

Tables: Subtraction tables -1

Planet Maths: pg. 136. In your copy, draw 4 things you do in a day in the correct order. Write a sentence about each picture. Check folens.ie for time activities.

Irish

- Bun go Barr : Read the words on pg. 47 again. In your copy write 4 sentences e.g.
Feicim spad agus buicead.(now make your own sentences.). Draw a picture for each sentence.

- Oral Irish: Abair Liom C for 1st Class. Click on Lesson 01 Is Feidir Liom : Amhran " An Chlann" and do Focloir 1 a few times to help your child learn the new words.

SESE(History/Geography)

Look back at pg. 20 of Unlocking SESE ebook. Write 5 sentences about your home beginning with- Hi! My name is _____

Discuss pg. 21 of Unlocking SESE. Discuss differences between old and new appliances.

Friday

English

- Reading: Go back over Unit 5B Combined Skills Book and 2 pages of Mouse Trouble. Check that you know all the new words.
- Combined Skills Book. Write **cinquain** about **The Easter Bunny**
- Spelling test of the revision week from Spellbound and the 4 spellings from the Spelling List. Choose any 10 spellings from Revision Week and write the spellings in the correct section at the back of the book. The 4 spellings from the Spelling List can be written in the copy.
- Dictation: Call out these sentences a word at a time for your child to write in their copies.

Sentences to Dictate

1. I must feed the sheep this week.
2. She fell into a deep sleep.
3. Do not eat the seeds or the peel.

- Phonics: Sounds Good Phonics pg. 36
- Diary entry

Maths

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Friday Mental Maths

Tables test. Choose 10 of -1 tables for the test. Do test at the back of the homework copy.

Time: In your copy draw clocks to show the following times- 5 o'clock, 8 o'clock, 11 o'clock, half past 9, half past 6, half past 1.

Irish: Abair Liom C for 1st Class. Click on Lesson 01 Is Feidir Liom

- Abair Liom: Listen to the sceal. Write sentences about things you can do.(Is feidir liom_____)
Is feidir liom rith.
Is feidir liom siul.
Is feidir liom rothaiocht.
Is feidir liom canadh.
(draw a picture for each sentence)

SESE (Science)

Unlocking SESE on folens.ie ebook pg. 22

Visual Arts

If you can log onto twinkl resources then type in Easter cards. Download template, colour and stick in cinquain about Easter Bunny into it. If you can't access twinkl then draw your own Easter card.

Twinkl have developed a range of resource packs for each class. Each pack contains fun, challenging and interactive work for your children. So you can visit their website and download and print the pack.