Dear Parents and children

I hope you are all keeping well and safe at home. These are certainly difficult and challenging times for us all especially now we know that schools won't re-open until September. As the days get longer and the weather improves I know it will be hard to keep your child on task to complete the work set for them.

I know that each child is different and will progress through the work at their own pace. The list of suggested work is not meant to cause stress or pressure. Only do what you can. Remember English and Mathematical activities can be done in practical ways e.g. reading recipes/instructions, writing lists, or clues for a game, counting items for dinner, playing shop etc. I will include a link at the end of this letter for you to check out. It has suggestions for some nice activities for you to do with your child. As always encourage your child to read lots and read as often as possible to them. You can do this outside when the weather permits!

I would encourage you to send a photo, a drawing or a piece of writing your child has done to the teacher's email address. I am sure your child would love to see something they have done up on the school website.

I am aware that circumstances vary from household to household ,so it is important to stay positive and stay safe in these times.

If you have any questions about the work set please contact me on drinaghteachers@gmail.com.

Wishing you all the best and stay safe.

Kind regards

Nora Perkins

https://tinyurl.com/130-activities

Senior Infants

** Remember this is a list of suggested activities do as much as you can each day

Week beginning 11-5-20

Monday

English

- Reading: What a Box Read pg. 45 together. No new words today. Read the page a few times. Ask your child questions about the page. Count all the full stops. What capital letters can you find? Find the word that rhymes with name on the page. Write a list of words that rhyme with name in your copy.
- Phonics; Look Listen and Learn pg. 20.
- Spellings: Go back to your next sheet of Read to the Stars and learn the 5 words each day for a spelling test
 on Friday
- Diary:

Each day write the day and date and draw a picture of something you did (it could be a walk, a game you played or a movie you watched) and write a sentence or 2 about it.

** Extra Work: Make sentences with your words from Read to the Star sheet.

Maths

www.topmarks.com and topmarks.co.uk are good websites for Maths games and activities.

Ongoing Maths: Practise writing and adding numbers to 10 as often as possible. Practise counting forwards

and backwards to 20 (and higher if you can). Ask what number comes after/before a given number

Your child is continuing to work on Money for a few days this week. It is important to give them as many

opportunities as possible to make different amounts to 10c and bigger amounts using real coins. Try to

do some shopping activities with you or with a brother/sister to practise making different amounts, adding

and giving change.

Planet Maths pg.113. Can your child find the coins to buy the items in each bag.

** topmarks.co.uk- Click on the **Toy Shop Game**. Click on the euro sign and do the activities up to 10c and 20c.

Irish

Listen to some well-known stories like The Gruffalo as Gaeilge on

https://padlet.com/maire8/iv5c9jic9h6i

Go to folens.ie and click on Abair Liom B

Click on lesson 04: Sa Chlós (in the yard)

Open Comhrá. Listen to comhrá and try to repeat what they say.

Repeat: Cé leis é? (who does it belong to)

Is liomsa é. (it is mine)

** Children should be encouraged to use these phrases as they know them already.

- Click on ceisteanna and do this activity.
- Open Póstaer and listen to and learn Amhrán : Ta a lán Éadaí Agam. (Sing it a few times.)

(The words are at the end of the week's work.)

Foclóir 1: Do this activity and then do Taispeáin dom _____. (geansaí-jumper, léine-shirt, bróga-shoe, éadaí

Spóirt-tracksuit, bríste-trousers, bróga reatha-trainers, carbhat-tie)

Your child should reply: Seo é geansaí etc.

- ** Practise words and phrase from the Irish list. It would be good to do this daily
- **If you find this difficult to do, try the websites for Irish in my letter before Easter.

SESE: Children of Lir

Open Powerpoint of The Children of Lir. Read and discuss the slides and ask your child questions about the story. When you have finished print off pg. 1 of the pdf of The Children of Lir. Draw what happened in the beginning and at the end of the story. (If you want to challenge your child print off pg.2 where 4 pictures need to be drawn)



The-Children-of-Lir-Retelling-Differentiated-Activity-Sheet.pdf

If you can't open powerpoint find the story of The Children of Lir on youtube.

The PDST PE team have created a series of PE at Home videos called Beyond the Classroom www.scoilnet.ie/pdst/physlit/beyond.

This week why not work on your throwing skills-all you need is a tennis ball or a rolled up pair of socks. Look at the throwing skill video and you can try the three home activities over the week.

Tuesday

English

 Reading: What a Box- go back over pg. 45. Reading pg. 46. New word: great. Make a sentence with the new word.

Read the page together and then your child can read it on their own. Ask your child questions about the page and find and count the capital letters. Find the word that rhymes with **bell** on the page.

- Zeb and Friends Skills Book pg.74.
- Spellings (Read to the Star sheet)
- Diary Entry for Tuesday
- Handwriting Book- do lower case "q" page.
- ** Extra Work: Make a sentence with the word great.

Maths

www.topmarks.com and topmarks.co.uk are good websites for Maths games and activities.

- Ongoing Maths: Practise writing and adding numbers to 10 as often as possible
- Planet Maths pg.114
- Print off pdf of Race to the Checkout
- ** topmarks.co.uk- click on The Toy Shop Game



race-to-the-checkout-money-addition-activity-sheet.pdf

Irish

Practise Cé leis é? Is liomsa é.

Folens.ie Abair Liom B: Lesson 04:Sa Chlós

Open Comhrá- listen to conversation again and practise sentences together.

Open Póstaer. Click on Foclóir 1. Listen to and click on the correct pictures. Say each word as you click on it.

Do Taispeáin dom with your child again(same as yesterday).

Sing Amhrán/Song: Tá a Lán Éadaí Agam

• On Póstaer click on Cuardach 1. Click the cursor on different items to hear Irish sentences. Try to repeat them.

SESE: Children of Lir

Yesterday your child drew pictures of the story. Today please help your child to write a sentence or 2 about each Picture. There are a lot of key words beside in the worksheet to help them with their sentences.

Wednesday

English

- **Reading**: What a Box- go back over pg. 46. Read pg. 47 together. Find and count the capital letters. Ask your child questions about the page. Find the word that rhymes with **bun** on the page.
- Handwriting- Capital "Q" page

Diary Entry for Wednesday

Phonics: Print off and do pdf of sh sheet



-sh-read-and-write-activity-sheet.pdf

Spellings (Read to the Star sheet)

** Extra Work: How many small words can you find in **photographs**? Make a list of them in your copy.

Maths

www.topmarks.com and topmarks.co.uk are good websites for Maths games and activities.

- Ongoing Maths: Practise writing and adding numbers to 10 as often as possible and counting to 20.
- Use Money Peg Cards from last week and ask your child to clip a clothes peg to the correct answer.
- Planet Maths pg. 116,117- The Fair

** topmarks.co.uk- Click on The Toy Shop game.

Irish

Practise Cé leis é? Is liomsa é.

Abair Liom B on folens.ie: Lesson 04: Sa Chlós

- Open Póstaer- Click on Cuardach 2. Press play and say sentences le chéile (together) .
- Click on Foclóir 2: Listen to and click on the correct pictures.

Do Taispeáin dom _____: stocaí-socks, t-léine-t-shirt, sciorta-skirt, ag léim-jumping, ag scipeáil-skipping Your child should say Seo é _____

Dán: Listen to and learn the poem Cá bhfuil m'Éadaí? (the words are at the end of the week's work)

Amhrán: Sing Tá a Lán Éadaí Agam

SESE

Print off and complete pdf of swan life cycle. Try and find out what you call a baby swan, a father swan and a mother swan. There are different types of swans can you find out their names.



swan-life-cycle-activity-sheets-.pdf

Thursday

English

 Reading: What a Box – read back over pg. 47. Read pg. 48 together. Find and count the capital letters and full stops.

Ask your child questions about the page. Find the word that rhymes with late on the page.

- Diary Entry for Thursday
- Look at Zeb and Friends Skills Book pg.73

Spellings (Read to the Star sheet)

Maths

- www.topmarks.com and topmarks.co.uk are good websites for Maths games and activities.
- Ongoing Maths: Practise writing and adding numbers to 10 as often as possible and counting to 20.
- Planet Maths pg. 118
- topmarks.co.uk- click on Higher and Lower Game. You can do the following activities
 - 1. Playing cards
 - 2. Objects to 10
 - 3. Numbers to 10 and 20
 - 4. Words to 20

Irish

Abair Liom B on folens.ie: Lesson 04: Sa Chlós

Practise Cé leis é? Is liomsa é.

- Open Póstaer- click on Cuardach 2. Press play and say sentences le chéile (together).
- Say the poem: Cá bhfuil m'Éadaí

Do Foclóir 2 again and play Taispeáin dom (show me) like yesterday.

Sing the Amhrán: Tá a Lán Éadaí Agam

SESE

Print pdf of earth features activity about water. Discuss the pictures and complete the activity about water.

Think of other ways we use water.



earth features049.pdf

Friday

English

- Reading: What a Box- Read back over pg. 45-48 together. You have now finished the story What a Box!
- Ask your child which part of the story they liked best and why. Discuss what the children might do if they got
 another box.
- Zeb and Friends Skills Book pg.75
- Print pdf of ch activity sheet
- Diary: Entry for Friday
- Spelling test. Call out the 5 words for your child to write down in their copy.



ch-read-and-write-activity-sheet.pdf

Maths

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- Ongoing Maths: Practise writing and adding numbers to 10 as often as possible
- topmarks.co.uk- click on Higher and Lower Game. You can do the following activities
 - 1. Playing cards
 - 2.Objects to 10
 - 3. Numbers to 10 and 20
 - 4. Words to 20
- Planet maths pg.119

Irish

Abair Liom B on folens.ie: Lesson 04: Sa Chlós

• Open Póstaer- Do Foclóir 1 and 2 again and play **Taispeáin dom (** show me **)** with the words from

Foclóir 1 and 2

Say the poem: Cá bhfuil m'Éadaí and Sing the Amhrán: Tá a Lán Éadaí Agam

Click on Scéal and listen to the story.

Open and do **Tráth na g Ceist**.

Writing: Draw a picture of you and your friends playing in the yard. Write the words **Sa Chlós** over the picture.

Visual Arts

Look at pdf of We are all different self-potrait frames. Print one off and draw and colour your portrait.



we-are-all-different-self-portrait-frames-with-face-shape-.pdf

Continue with cutting skills worksheets. Try and do these when you can.

www.phonicsplay.co.uk is a very good website to practise cvc words and the sounds your child has been learning during the year- sh, th, ch, ai, oa,ee,ue,ie,oi oo. Please practise these sounds/words as often as possible. This website has a lot of free activities at the moment to help your child practise their sounds. Please visit it.

You will need to register first. They give you the username and password. Once you have logged on click on the icon Resources and open games like Picnic on Pluto or Buried Treasure. Click on Phase 2 to practise CVC words e.g cat, man. Click on Phase 3 to practise words with sh, ai ee sounds etc. There is a game to practise Tricky words that you can't sound out.

Phonics:fallons.ie- click on Sounds like Phonics B to practise sounds you have done during the year.

Amhrán: 'Tá a Lán Éadaí Agam'

Tá dath gorm ar mo léine, x2

Tá dath dearg ar mo gheansaí, x2

Tá dath liath ar mo bhríste, x2

Tá a lán éadaí agam!

Tá dath glas ar mo stocaí, x2

Tá dath bán ar mo t-léine, x2

Tá dath donn ar mo bhróga, x2

Tá a lán éadaí agam!

Dán: 'Cá bhfuil m'Éadaí?' Cá bhfuil mo stocaí? Cá bhfuil mo bhríste? Cá bhfuil mo léine? Cá bhfuil mo bhróga? Cá bhfuil mo hata? Cá bhfuil mo chóta? Féach Síofra, féach! Tá siad ar Lóla!