

Primary 3 January - February

Newsletter 2017

Literacy:

We love to read in Primary 3! We will continue to focus on developing our fluency and expression when reading aloud, scanning the text for key words. We will also keep working on our comprehension skills by answering a variety of comprehension questions focusing on answering in full sentences.

We will be reading Non Fiction books about 'Weather' and completing a variety of activities related to them.

Our grammar focus will be verbs and speech bubbles. We will revise when to use capital letters and full stops in sentences.

The genre we will be focusing on when writing is '**Report**'. We will write some lovely reports on Clouds and the Weather!

Encourage your child to talk about what they are going to write first - does each sentence make sense? Can I add more detail or use other interesting words? Help your child practice writing at home by giving them opportunities to write freely about any topic that they want! This will develop their creativity skills!

Numeracy:

We will continue to learn all about tens and units and we will understand that every place has a value! We will also be learning about Doubles and Near Doubles. We will continue to learn the names of regular **3D shapes** and discuss their properties (faces, edges and corners). We will be learning how to tell the time using quarter past and quarter to.

We will also be developing our Mental Maths skills especially our knowledge of number stories within 20. Keep practicing quick recall of number stories within 20 at home! Don't forget to practice **Partitioning** and **Rounding and Adjusting** too!

We will also keep working on our Problem Solving Skills. This month we are focusing on '**Finding All Possibilities**'.

Mrs Fleming said we are brilliant problem solvers in Primary 3!

Remember to keep using the **Mathletics** programme at home too!



Happy New Year!!!!!! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. Santa really was very busy. We are now looking forward to another busy term that is filled with fun and exciting experiences



Value of the Month:

Diligence

Emotion of the Month:

Lonely

Prayer of the Month:

Angel of God

Religion:

Grow in Love workbooks will be sent home on a Wednesday for an activity to be completed and should be returned to school on Friday with your child's weekly homework. We will also begin to learn about the Sacrament of First Confession.

P3 Weather Watchers

Linen Centre

Mrs Kitt: Thursday 19th
January

Miss Clarke: Friday 20th
January



Catholic Schools Week

Beginning Sunday 29th
January - Saturday 5th
February 2017

P3 First Confession:

Thursday 30th March

World Around Us and The Arts

Our current topic is

Toys but we will be soon start our new topic of '**Weather**'.

We will become Weather

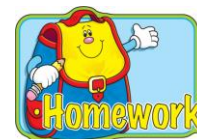
Watchers and we will learn lots

about all the different types of weather that we can have. We will even be doing some report writing on clouds! Throughout the topic of weather the children will also be engaged in music, drama and art activities as well as independent tasks to develop their understanding of the topic. If you have anything related to this topic that your child could share with the class please send it in!



Home Learning:

Thank you for your continued support with Homework. This really does support your child's learning! Keep practicing Spellings, Mental Maths and Reading each night along with any written tasks! Please ensure your child completes his or her Homework each week and returns it on a Friday. Reading Books should also be returned on a Friday.



ICT:

We are delighted that our new iPads are now in our class! We have 6 to use during our lessons to enhance our learning across the curriculum. We have new Wifi so that we can connect to the internet and we now even have Apple TV! We will explore a variety of apps including Green Screen, Book Creator and Explain Everything! Watch out for our Green Screen Weather Reports on the school website soon!! We will also continue to practice basic word processing skills (how to type a sentence in Microsoft Word and include capital letters and full stops). Please encourage your child to learn their log in for the computer.

