

Primary 3 March - April

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. We will continue to focus on **'Report'** writing. We will write some lovely reports on Clouds and the Weather! We will also write our own weather reports and in our 'I love to write books' we will write some lovely stories about 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 about tens and units and we will focus on adding within 100! We will use our knowledge of tens and units to solve problems and we will be finding the total and giving change within 50p too. We will also be learning how to tell the time using quarter past and quarter to.

We will continue to develop our Mental Maths skills especially our knowledge of number stories within 20 and doubles and near doubles. Keep practicing these facts at home! Don't forget to keep practicing **Partitioning** and **Rounding and Adjusting** too!

We will also keep working on our Problem Solving Skills. This month we are focusing on **'Exploring Patterns and Relationships'**.

We have done some brilliant problem solving so far this year!

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



We hope you all had a lovely mid term break! We have got another busy few weeks ahead of us! We are all really excited about our First Confession on 30th March!

Value of the Month:

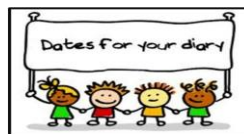
*Resilience,
Forgiveness*

Prayer of the Month:

Christ Be Beside Me

Religion:

We are really excited about our First Confession on 30th March in St Patrick's Church. Please go over the prayers and songs that are being sent home in preparation for this lovely service. Don't forget to join us on Wednesday 8th March at 11am in the Assembly Hall for our Commitment Service. Please try to send at least one adult to represent your child on this special day. ***Please return the reply slip about Baptism Certificates as soon as possible.***



P3 Commitment Service

Wednesday 8th March 11am
Assembly Hall

Reporting to Parents:

Week Beginning 13th March

Reporting to Parents Day:

Thursday 16th March (*school closed for children*)

Friday 17th March:

School Closed for St Patrick's Day

P3 First Confession:

Thursday 30th March
10.45am St Patrick's Church

World Around Us and The Arts

We are having great fun learning about our current topic **'Weather'**.

We love being Weather

Watchers each day. We have been recording the temperature outside each day using the thermometer and we will be soon be recording the rainfall using the rain gauge that Jack brought in for us! Why not ask your child to tell you what type of clouds they can see in the sky! 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. Why not do some research with your child at home and get them to bring it in to share with the class!



Home Learning: Keep practicing Spellings (especially High Frequency Words), Mental Maths and Reading each night along with any written tasks! Look at our new Reading Record books to see the progress your child is making with reading in class (you can write in these too!) Please ensure your child completes his or her Homework each week and returns it on a Friday.



ICT:

We are having lots of fun using our new iPads in class.

We will continue to explore a variety of apps including Green Screen, Book Creator and Explain Everything! Have a look on our school website to see some of the work that we have completed so far! We have even started to use Fronter!

You can also 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 which is attached to the front of their Homework Book.

