

Hello everyone!

I hope you are all keeping well and that you and your families have had a lovely Easter at home. I am sure that you have been very busy over the last few weeks doing your work and reading lots of stories. I understand that it might seem strange being away from our lovely classroom for the last while but it will be all the more exciting when we do eventually get back to school! 😊

I know that you are all being very good for your parents by doing lots of jobs to help out and reminding them of all of the lovely songs and rhymes that you have learnt in Senior Infants, especially the ones that we had been preparing for the Córthéile. I wonder would you be able to teach your family some of the dances to go with the songs? Give it a try!

I have made up a scheme of work for the next week but as always this is only a suggestion. I am aware that this is a busy time for parents so please do not feel under pressure to complete all of the work.

Keep up the great work girls! 😊

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oral language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Days of the week song- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=36n93jvjkDs Months of the year song- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fe9bnYRzFvk Story: 'No place like home'- listen to the story and answer the questions orally https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tOmAa_y_Ak 				
Phonics	Sounds copy - revise 'r'	Look, listen, learn P 49 (Read and draw)	Sounds copy - revise 'm'	Look, Listen, learn- 51 (making words)	Sounds copy - revise 'r' and 'm'
Writing	Writing - My News	All write now - Letter 'M' p 28	A Way with words- p 68	Draw and label a picture of your home	A Way with words- p 69 ('ing' words)
Maths	Revision - see activities below	Busy at maths (small book)- p 35	Revision - see activities below	Figure it out - p 55	Revision - see activities below
Reading	Reading and practise tricky words	Reading and practise tricky words	Reading and practise tricky words	Reading and practise tricky words	Reading and practise tricky words

Some sample activities and links:

Maths	<p>Continue to practise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Encourage the girls to begin to use more than/less than when comparing two sets of objects (E.g 3 dogs in one garden, 5 dogs in another garden, which garden has more/less dogs? How many more?)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Writing the numbers 1- 10. * Practise the story of ten. (what are the different ways of making ten, e.g 4 pegs plus 6 pegs, how many altogether?) This is the video we used in class to help us! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ch7KzI3n2Zk * Count how many houses/windows/trees/flowers/cars you can see from your front door. * Counting forwards and backwards from 1 to 20 (Ask questions like what number comes before/after/in between X) * IXL has activities to practise more than/less than: (Activities C7 - C11) https://ie.ixl.com/math/sr-infants
<i>Irish</i>	<p>New phrase: Cá bhfuil Niamh? (Where is Niamh?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Tá Niamh sa chistin. (Niamh is in the kitchen.) * Tá Niamh sa seomra codlata. (Niamh is in the bedroom.) * Tá Niamh sa seomra suí. (Niamh is in the sitting room.) * Tá Niamh sa ghairdín. (Niamh is in the garden.) * Tá Niamh sa seomra folchta. (Niamh is in the bathroom.) <p>Twinkl has a great PowerPoint to help practise this new phrase: https://www.twinkl.ie/resource/roi-gl-297-ca-bhfuil-niamh-powerpoint</p>
<i>SESE</i>	<p>Homes and houses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Draw a picture of your home. * Label the different rooms in your home. (bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, sitting room, attic, etc) * Listen to the story of the three little pigs and draw their three different houses - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtP83CWOMwc * Build your house or dream house using lego, blocks, junk art etc. * Play house with your teddies/dolls/siblings. * Make a birdhouse from an old milk carton https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IV2uD5xDY9A
<i>Tricky words</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Reading and practise putting the tricky words into sentences: https://www.jollylearning.co.uk/resource-bank/handy-tricky-word-list/
<i>Songs and dance</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Here comes the sun- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbNXwksSnds * Yellow Submarine- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZLIcQf47TQ * All you need is love- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b-TX8ieG-Oo
<i>Reading</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Before your child begins to read any story or book, ask the child to predict what might happen in the story. * Ask them questions while reading and after reading. * Encourage your child to retell the story in their own words after they have read. * There are some nice e-books available on 'oxfordowl.co.uk'. It's free and it only takes a few minutes to set up an account: https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/
<i>Writing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dictation is also good to help your child to practice writing their sentences and recap on the tricky words which we had been practising in class. Parents can call out the sentences and children will write them independently. Encourage your child to focus on writing the letters correctly and use finger spaces between words. Feel free to make

	<p>the sentences simpler/more difficult to suit your child's ability! Here are some sample sentences for senior infants: https://www.speld-sa.org.au/images/Phonics/f%20-%20dictation%20sentences.pdf</p>
Phonics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Allow your child to think of as many words with that sound. Ask them to put a couple of their suggestions into sentences and write some sentences using these words. * Geraldine the giraffe has some great videos on YouTube to help your child revise all of the letter sounds and digraphs which we have covered in senior infants. This week try and focus on these two sounds: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'r' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R_NgOtt0Htw • 'm' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xh6Ux5D2D84
Mindfulness and well-being	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Cosmic Yoga - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz0tZNq1pm8 * Breathing exercises- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZBnPlqQFPKs * Learn to do one new chore in your house. (tidying away your toys, making your bed, tying your laces)