

# St. Patrick's P.S., Eskra

## Supporting Your Child's Learning

**January, 2018 – Year 4**

Your child is learning:

- Mental maths techniques: Know off by heart what 2 numbers when added make 10 and 20 then 100, count forward and back in multiples of 5 to 60, 10 to 100 and 100 to 1000, write these numbers correctly and recognise odd and even numbers, finally become familiar with the terms 'before', 'after' and 'between' for numbers to 1000.
- The 3X Tables and 4X Tables
- Nightly spellings
- To explore and discuss 'Fractions of Shapes', linking to the 3X Tables and 4X Tables.
- Comprehension, Reading, Writing and Grammar skills through activities from the variety of fictional stories based on 'The Irish Famine – exploring information, character, setting and plot. Writing chapter summaries, scripts and poems with group work support.
- Comprehension, Reading, Writing and Grammar skills through our class novel. 'Katie's Wish', linking to our new Topic, The Irish Famine.'
- Grammar work on capitalisation, punctuation, nouns. verbs and adjectives.
- About the 'The Irish Famine', through looking at pictures, the internet, fiction and non-fiction books and a variety of traditional and original songs.
- The importance of the monthly value of 'Honesty' for January.
- The importance of 'Working with Others.
- To study a variety of biblical stories through reading and songs in preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion.

To support your child:

- Helping your child with his/her homework: content and presentation.
- Encouraging him/her to self- correct.
- Doing mental maths techniques and spelling with your child nightly.
- Reading with your child regularly and discussing content.
- Help with themed maths work.
- Discussing the importance of 'Honesty' in school and our home lives.
- Reinforcing the importance of good behaviour in class and around school.
- Encouraging your child to 'Work with Others in class and at home.