



Year 2 February Newsletter



Our Class Motto is:
“Have a go!”



February Birthdays!



Happy Birthday to the following children who turn **6** this month!
Cormac McGarvey - 23rd.



Our Thinking Skill and Personal Capability focus this month is 'Self - Management'. This involves encouraging our children to do things for themselves and think more for themselves. This is a life skill but needs to be taught at this early stage. Therefore, promoting independence and giving our children a sense of responsibility and achievement!

Our Class Motto highlights this personal capability every day and the children are regularly encouraged to carry out daily routines independently. Please encourage this with your child at home. Some examples for you;

- Promote good habits of washing hands after using the toilet.
- Have they got their reading book in their bag? Let them check and find it themselves if it's not!
- Can they do their homework independently?
- Allow your child to pack their own red bag on a Thursday, ensuring homework, reading books etc are in it.

Year 2 Topic Work

- Houses and Homes
- Money (up to 20p)
- Time (o'clock & half past)
- Focus on our monthly value of 'Forgiveness'.
- Promoting more independence and independent 'thinking' around the classroom.

Literacy and Sound Work

- Develop blending skills
- Word - building on all sounds a - z covered. 1`
- Building 4 sound words.
- Retelling familiar stories in their own words aloud to the class.
- Medial vowel work focusing on 'u' and 'o' in the middle of cvc words.

Number

- Counting orally to 40
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Number stories 13,14 and 15
- An introduction to adding 2 sets of objects



Golden Time

Just a reminder that toys are no longer permitted to be brought into school on a Friday for Golden Time.

Feis Thir Eoghain

If you have entered your child for the feis poem, a copy of the poem will be sent home shortly. Please practise the poem with your child at home. The Poetry, Prose and Drama section of the feis is running from **23th April - 28th April**. Entry cards will be sent home once we have them, with the exact time and date on them. Parents are asked to take their child to the competition in Omagh, collecting them from school. Please think about travel arrangements nearer the time.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Warm Congratulations to Carmel and Ciaran O'Hagan on the recent birth of their baby daughter, Fianna! Lucy has been so excited telling her teacher and friends all about her important jobs as the 'big sister!'

Thought for the month!

It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves, that will make them successful human beings.

Ann Landers

