

St. Patrick's P.S., Eskra

Supporting Your Child's Learning

February, 2018. Year 4

Your child will

- Recall maths topics, time, subtraction techniques, 2D & 3D shapes.
- Revise that repeatedly adding the same number of groups/ sets is called multiplication and connect last month's work of counting in patterns of 2,4 5 and 10 to multiplication facts and beginning to learn multiples of 3 and 4 also
- Participate in length workshop to learn that various things can be measured in centimetres / metres and that suitable items can be used to do this e.g. metre stick/ trundle wheel, ruler/ measuring tape. AND estimate and measure items in kg or ½ kg/g reading a one pan balance scale and the relationship with grams e.g. 1 kg = 1000g and ½ kg = 500g using 2 pan balances.
- Revise nightly spellings.
- Continue to explore and learn about the 'The Irish Famine', extending to researching other historical facts about Ireland, extending to researching other historical facts about Ireland through looking at pictures, real life accounts, the internet, books and songs
- Complete – Comprehension, Reading, Writing and Grammar activities through novel activities from 'Mary's Journal' – exploring fictional character profiles within a non-fiction setting and overall storyline. Writing chapter summaries. Know and identify the rules of plurals when adding. 's'-'es' –'ves' or 'fs', Learn the different use of various homophones e.g. 'to/too/two' and contractions, e.g. they're. their and there
- Exploring through Personal Develop and Mutual Understanding (PDMU) & (RE) activities and original song (Forgiveness) as to – the emotional effect our behaviour and the behaviour of others can impact upon ourselves and others.
- The importance of the monthly value of 'Forgiveness' for February.
- Read and discuss within group class work various biblical stories and some fictional character poems with a moral theme of 'forgiveness'. Learn and discuss The Ten Commandments.
- Know about our parish and diocese as part of Catholic Schools Week activities.
- Participate within the 'Do This in Memory' Programme and through various biblical stories and songs, will explore confessing of sins in preparation for the 'Sacrament of First Penance' in first week of March.
- The importance of Self-Management and taking responsibility for our own property and behaviour as part of this month's Thinking Skills and Personal Capabilities (TSPC) target.

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. Also refer to December targets.**
- **Reading with your child regularly and discussing content including factual books linked to our topic 'Irish Famine and Irish History.'**
- **Help with themed maths work.**
- **Discussing the importance of 'Forgiveness' in school and in our home lives. Support your child within the (DTIM) Programme.**
- **Encourage your child to 'self-manage', reinforcing this month's Personal Capability Skills.**
- **Reinforcing the importance of good behaviour in class and around the school.**