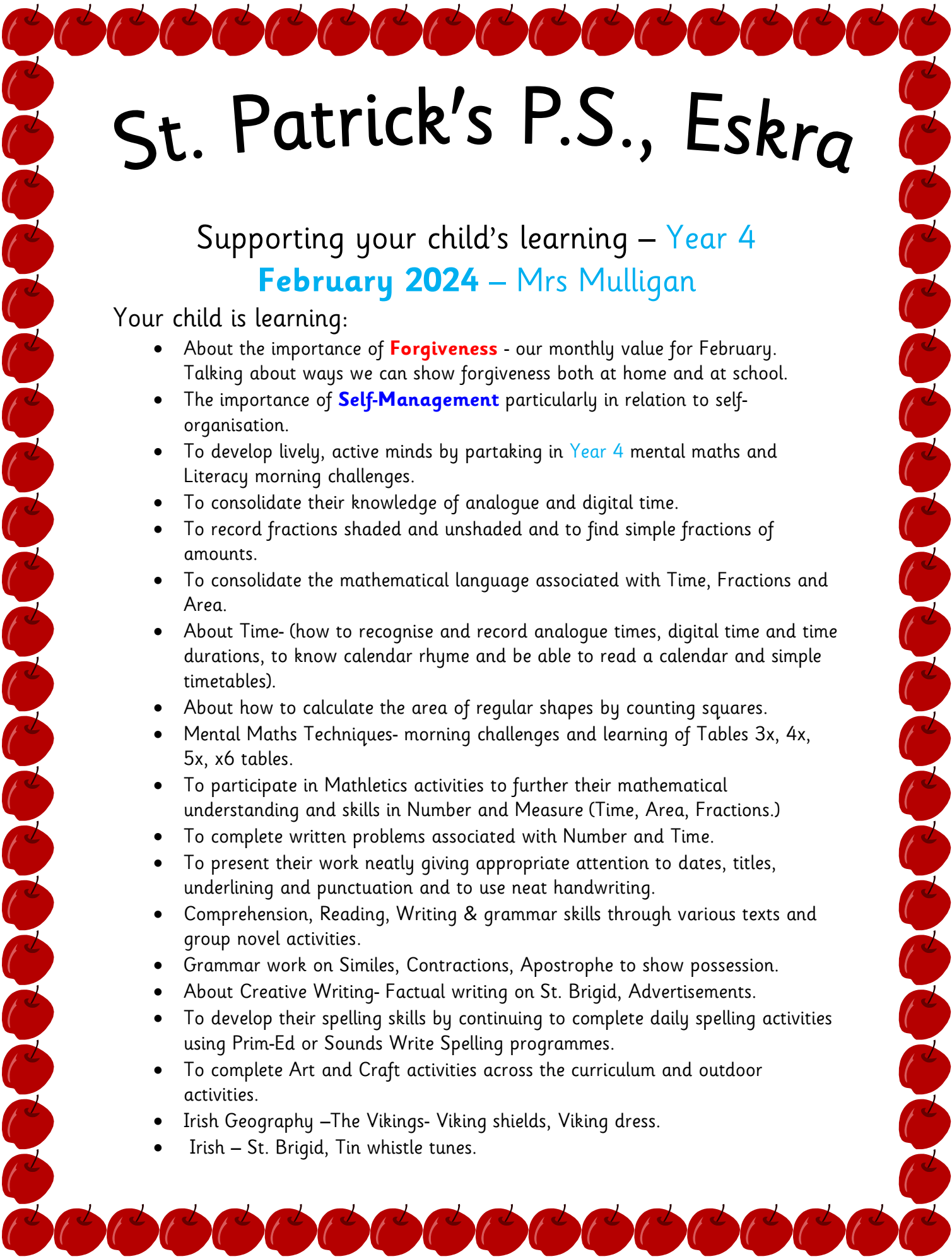




St. Patrick's P.S., Eskra

Supporting your child's learning – Year 4
February 2024 – Mrs Mulligan

Your child is learning:

- About the importance of **Forgiveness** - our monthly value for February. Talking about ways we can show forgiveness both at home and at school.
- The importance of **Self-Management** particularly in relation to self-organisation.
- To develop lively, active minds by partaking in Year 4 mental maths and Literacy morning challenges.
- To consolidate their knowledge of analogue and digital time.
- To record fractions shaded and unshaded and to find simple fractions of amounts.
- To consolidate the mathematical language associated with Time, Fractions and Area.
- About Time- (how to recognise and record analogue times, digital time and time durations, to know calendar rhyme and be able to read a calendar and simple timetables).
- About how to calculate the area of regular shapes by counting squares.
- Mental Maths Techniques- morning challenges and learning of Tables 3x, 4x, 5x, x6 tables.
- To participate in Mathletics activities to further their mathematical understanding and skills in Number and Measure (Time, Area, Fractions.)
- To complete written problems associated with Number and Time.
- To present their work neatly giving appropriate attention to dates, titles, underlining and punctuation and to use neat handwriting.
- Comprehension, Reading, Writing & grammar skills through various texts and group novel activities.
- Grammar work on Similes, Contractions, Apostrophe to show possession.
- About Creative Writing- Factual writing on St. Brigid, Advertisements.
- To develop their spelling skills by continuing to complete daily spelling activities using Prim-Ed or Sounds Write Spelling programmes.
- To complete Art and Craft activities across the curriculum and outdoor activities.
- Irish Geography –The Vikings- Viking shields, Viking dress.
- Irish – St. Brigid, Tin whistle tunes.

- About St. Brigid, Forgiveness and Lent.
- To complete activities in preparation for their First Confession.
- To participate in monthly Rosary sessions in the chapel.
- Awareness of Children's Mental Health Week and Internet Safety Day. Revision of SMART tips for using the internet.
- To engage with NI Fire Service through their annual class visit.
- Further skills and techniques through physical education activities. GAA activities and afterschool sessions.
- To participate in daily exercises and fun activities in order to sustain healthy bodies and minds.

You can help by:

- Helping your child with learning their prayers for **First Confession**.
- Signing homework completed and Reading Record books.
- Keeping in regular communication with the class teacher and seeking help and advice from her if you have any worries or concerns.
- Talking about **Children's Mental Health Week** and **Safer Internet Day** at home.
- Encouraging him/her to self-correct and proof-read work and to seek help where needed.
- Checking your child's work for accuracy and consolidating any areas they are unsure of.
- Revising Tables & spellings with your child daily.
- Reading with your child regularly & discussing content & themes. Encourage use of non-fiction texts also.
- Encouraging your child to participate in Quizzes/Mathletics activities at home.
- Encouraging your child to present their work in a neat, well-presented manner with attention given to date, title, underlining, punctuation, grammar and spelling.
- Encourage the writing of full sentences in Comprehension Work.
- Helping with themed work in Maths on Number, Division, Time, Fractions, Area.
- Helping your child to research when necessary for homework e.g. St. Brigid.
- Discussing the importance of **Forgiveness** in our school and home lives.
- Encouraging your child to develop his/her **Self- Management** skills effectively.

Suggested websites:

www.mathletics.com

