

Hello everybody in 1st class. I hope you are all keeping safe and well. I'm sure all the Easter Eggs have been eaten by now. I know it's very strange not being able to go to school and meet your friends and teachers but hopefully it won't be too long until we can see each other again. I have no doubt that you are all doing great work at home...helping around the house...tidying up etc... and all with a smile! I have made a list of some school work for you to do over the next two weeks. Do the best you can and don't worry if you get stuck with anything. You have wonderful parents and families to help you. If you can't get all the work done that's ok too. If there are any questions, ask your parents to email the school (mayoabbeyns@yahoo.com) and I will get back to them as soon as possible. Stay safe and well everybody!

ENGLISH

Spelling/Writing: Complete Unit 15 in your "Exploring Spelling" book. This unit is all about "Procedure Writing". Procedures are written to explain how something is done, in a series of sequenced steps...e.g. Recipes, directions on how to play a game, how to assemble flat packed objects, how to get something done etc.

If you like you could do some procedural writing using some of the words in this unit. I have 2 examples of procedures below.

You could explain how to make your favourite sandwich...how to play your favourite game...describe how you made something (e.g. A piece of art). Use the two examples to guide you.

Reading/Comprehension: For the next few weeks, until we return to school we will be using a book called "Better English"

We have to access this book online at www.educateplus.ie. There is free access to all books on this site.

Just click on the free resources – primary – then go to Better English 1st Class – view on screen eBook.

We will be working on units 8 and 15 of this book...one unit per week. There is a short piece of text at the start of each unit and then some work (comprehension, grammar etc.) about the text. You can also listen to the text using the "Audio" button. If you double click on the text it will magnify for you.

Unit 8 "Icing Bun Fun" (pages 25 – 27). I picked this unit because it has a little procedure in it. Maybe you could try it out!

Try to do **at least** one exercise from each page into your copy. Some exercises can be done orally.

Unit 11 "The King's New Clothes" (pages 34 – 36). This is an example of Narrative writing" which we have also done this year. Narrative writing is imaginative and usually has a problem and a solution.

Again, try to do **at least** one exercise from each page into your copy. Some exercises can be done orally.

Extra Reading:The following websites have numerous eBooks available and are free to join.

1. <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/> Once you join the website, you can access books that are animated and read aloud. You can choose books by age. Have a look and then you can decide the level that best suits your child.
2. <https://www.storylineonline.net/> has a variety of books. You choose which website to use to listen to the book that is read by actors.

MATHS

Mental Maths:

Continue with Units 24 and 25 for these two weeks.

Further Maths Practice:

We will use an eBook called "Better Maths 1st Class". This book is also on the www.educateplus.ie website and is accessed the same way as "Better English"

For these two weeks we will do some work from Units 14 and 15...one unit each week. Try to do at least one exercise each day into your copy. *Remember when adding or subtracting (if tens and units involved) always start with the units.*

An answer book for Better Maths is also available on the website.

Extra Maths Practice: Check out the website www.topmarks.co.uk for some fun maths activities.

GAEILGE

For the next few weeks we will use a book called "[Léigh sa Bhaile](#)". This book can be accessed at www.cjfallon.ie Click the free access. Then click primary – 1st Class – Gaeilge – Léigh sa Bhaile A. Then at the bottom of the page click on Actions (view resource) and open the eBook.

We will aim to cover 4 pages per week (pages 1 – 4 this week and pages 5 – 8 next week). The characters in this book are all new to us but the language is more or less the same! Read the text on the page and answer the questions into your copy. Answers are included towards the end of this document. Please try to do the work first before checking the answers!

SESE

Small World:

Week 1

Magnets (Science): pages 78/79. Complete the exercises on these pages. Don't worry if you don't have any magnets...you can do these pages some other time. Fridge magnets should work for these exercises if you have any.

Interesting facts about magnets:

- Magnetism can attract magnetic objects or push them away. Some of the basics of magnetism, which children might discover by exploring are:
 - ✓ North poles repel north poles
 - ✓ South poles repel south poles
 - ✓ North poles attract south poles
 - ✓ South poles attract north poles
- Magnets strongly attract steel, iron, nickel, cobalt.
- The strength of a magnet varies at different locations on the magnet. Magnets are strongest at their poles.
- Magnets slightly repel water.
- Magnets are objects that produce an area of magnetic force called a magnetic field. Magnetic fields are invisible to the human eye.
- The Earth's core is believed to be a mix of iron and nickel, giving Earth its own magnetic field. Magnetic compasses use this magnetic field to help navigate in northern, southern, eastern and western directions.
- If you attach a bar magnet to a piece of wood and let it float in a basin of water, the magnet will gradually turn until its north pole points north

Check out www.easyscienceforkids.com/all-about-magnets for some more interesting facts about magnets.

Week 2

Family Photograph (History): pages 80/81. When completing these pages have a look, if you can, at some family photos present and past and discuss things that have changed or remained the same from the time when your parents were young to now. Think about the reasons that some things (e.g. technology, clothes) have changed and the consequences of these changes.

Interesting facts:

The first digital camera was created in December 1975 by Steve Sasson, an engineer at Eastman Kodak. He is now widely regarded as the inventor of the digital camera.

Check out www.familytreeemplates.net for your family tree
www.petapixel.com/assets/uploads/2010/08/firstkodak.jpg for a photograph of the first generic Kodak camera produced.

ARTS (MUSIC/VISUAL ART/DRAMA)

Tune into the RTE Home School Hub which airs daily from 11 – 12 o'clock and Cúla4 ar Scoil on TG4 from 10 – 10.30. Timetables for this week for both of these programmes are on our website.

PE

Have a look at Joe Wicks Body Coach on YouTube for some PE activities
See if you can do a "Daily Mile" around your house. It should take about 15 minutes.

PROCEDURAL WRITING

How to Make Jelly

Ingredients: • Jelly • Water

What we need: • Kettle • Water • Litre Jug • Spoon • Bowl

Method:

1. Fill the kettle with water and bring to the boil.
2. Break up the jelly into small pieces.
3. Put the jelly pieces into the jug.
4. Pour the boiling water over the jelly in the jug.
5. Stir well until all the jelly has dissolved.
6. Pour into the bowl.
7. Leave in a cold place to set.
8. Put in a dish. Add cream or ice-cream. Taste.

How to Play Hurling

Hurling is a national sport in Ireland. It has been played here for thousands of years.

Requirements: Hurley Shin Guards Shorts Sliotar Ash Guard Helmet Socks Jersey Boots

Method:

1. Hold the hurley with your strong hand above your other hand.
2. Scoop or roll the sliotar onto the hurley.
3. Flick the sliotar into your hand.
4. Throw the sliotar in the air and strike it with the hurley.
5. Shoot the ball past the goalie to score a goal. (1 goal = 3 points)
6. Hit it between the uprights to score a point.

LÉIGH SA BHAILE A

Answers:

Pg.3:

1. An bhfuil Mamaí sa phictiúr?
Tá Mamaí sa phictiúr.
2. An bhfuil Rosie sa phictiúr?
Rosie sa phictiúr.
3. An bhfuil an madra sa phictiúr?
Tá an madra sa phictiúr.
4. An bhfuil Daidí sa phictiúr?
Tá Daidí sa phictiúr.

Pg.4:

1. An bhfuil Cian ag siúl?
Níl Cian ag siúl.
2. An bhfuil Rosie ag siúl?
Tá Rosie ag siúl.
3. An bhfuil Seán ag rith?
Tá Seán ag rith.
4. An bhfuil Cian ag caoineadh?
Tá Cian ag caoineadh.

Pg.5

1. Is mise Zoe.
2. Is mise Úna
3. Seo é teach Zoe

Pg.6

1. An bhfuil teach mór ag Úna?
Tá teach mór ag Úna.
2. An bhfuil teach beag ag Zoe?
Níl teach beag ag Zoe.
3. An bhfuil teach beag ag Ruff?
Tá teach beag ag Ruff.

Pg7:

1. Cé atá sa seomra codlata?
Tá Neela sa seomra codlata.

2. Cé atá sa seomra suite?
Tá Ali sa seomra suite.
3. Cé atá sa chistin?
Tá Daidí sa chistin.
4. Cé atá sa seomra folctha?
Tá Mamaí sa seomra folctha.

Pg.8:

1. An teach mór é?
Ní teach mór é.
2. Cén dath atá ar an teach?
Tá dath bán ar an teach.
3. Cé mhéad seomra codlata atá ann?
Tá dhá sheomra codlata ann.