

Hello again everybody in 2nd class. Its hard to believe that we have come to the end of the year. I met a lot of your parents last week and I was glad to hear that everybody is doing well. I know you are all looking forward to putting away the schoolbags for the summer holidays...I am too! Equally I will be looking forward to seeing you all again in September. Of course, you will be in 3rd Class then and in Ms. Tuohy's room. I know she will be delighted to have you all back again. Below is some work for the last 2 weeks of this school year. As usual, if there are any questions your parents can email the school at mayoabbeyns@yahoo.com

I want to wish you all a very enjoyable, safe and happy summer holiday!

ENGLISH

Spelling: Complete *Look Back 3* in "Exploring Spelling"

Writing: Have a look at "A Few of my Favourite Things" at the end of this plan. Answer the questions about your favourite things. The next time you are talking to your friends you can discuss your favourite things. See if any of your favourites are the same!

Penmanship: You can complete your "Go With the Flow" Handwriting books.

Reading/Comprehension: For the rest of this school year we will continue to use "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. Don't forget that you can use the audio button to listen to the text.

Unit 23 "The Saggy Baggy Elephant". This unit reminds me a little of the story of "The Ugly Duckling". See if you can see the similarities as well. There is an exercise in this unit about a school sports day. If we were at school we would be having our own sports day. Have a look at some photos of past sports days in our school. 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

Master Your Maths: Unit 30

GAEILGE

We will continue to use "**Léigh sa Bhaile**" on 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.

Pages 47, 48, 51, 52, 53, 54.

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!

PE

If we were at school we would be having our School Sports Day. There is a link on the school website to a home sports day. Have a look and try some of the activities. Send in some photos and we will put them on the website.

SESE

Small World:

Temperature (Science): pages 94, 95. Complete the exercises on this page (pretend your kitchen and garden are the classroom and playground).

Extra information:

How does a thermometer work? A glass column contains mercury. Mercury expands when it is heated and contracts as it cools. As the temperature rises, so too does the mercury because it is expanding. We read the temperature from the scale marked on the outside of the column.

The North Pole/Arctic

- The name "Arctic" comes from a Greek word meaning "near the bear".
- There is no land at the North Pole, but there is a layer of ice around 1.8 to 2.7m thick. So, you can stand there (and Santa can have his home there).
- The North Pole is not in any country. It is considered part of international waters. The nearest land is around 700 miles away.
- All the lines of longitude meet at the North Pole. When you are standing on the North Pole, any direction you point to is south!
- The magnetic North Pole is different from the true North Pole.
- Winter temperatures average around minus 34°Celsius. In summer it is quite a bit warmer at 0°Celsius. This may sound pretty cold, but it is warmer than the average temperatures at the South Pole.
- The sun is always up during summer. It rises in March and sets in September. That's a really long day and night!

Africa

- The highest point in Africa is Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania at 5,895m high. The lowest point is Lake Asal in Djibouti at 153m below sea level
- Africa's largest country is Algeria, its smallest is the Seychelles (a chain of 115 islands in the Indian Ocean). The most populated country is Nigeria.
- The largest lake in Africa is Lake Victoria and the longest river is the Nile River, which is also the longest river in the world.
- Africa has a rich and varied wildlife including elephants, penguins, lions, cheetahs, seals, giraffes, gorillas, crocodiles and hippos.
- More than 1,000 languages are spoken across Africa.

If you would like to find out some more information about animals that live in hot and cold places have a look on www.kidsnationalgeographic.com

Sounds Around Us (Science): page 96. Complete the exercises on this page.

Extra information:

Experiment – What's happening? Each of the glasses will have a different pitch when hit with the pencil. The glass with the most water will have the lowest pitch. The glass with the least water will have the highest pitch. Small vibrations are made when you hit the glass. This creates sound waves which travel through the water. More water means slower vibrations and a deeper pitch.

LÉIGH SA BHAILE A

Answers:

Pg.47:

1. Cá ndeachaigh na páistí?
Chuaigh na páistí amach sa ghairdín.
2. Cad a bhí sa spéir?
Bhí an ghrian sa spéir.
3. Cad a bhí san aer?
Bhí bogha báistí san aer.

Pg.48:

1. Cén dath atá ar bhalún Zoe?
Tá dath buí ar bhalún Zoe.
2. Cén dath atá ar bhalún Joe?
Tá dath gorm ar bhalún Joe.
3. Cén dath atá ar bhalún Sam?
Tá dath glas ar bhalún Sam.
4. Cén dath atá ar bhalún Ben?
Tá dath dearg ar bhalún Ben.

Pg.51:

1. Cá bhfuil Amber?
Tá Amber san Astráil.
2. Cén séasúr atá ann?
An samhradh atá ann.
3. An bhfuil an aimsir fuar?
Níl an aimsir fuar.
4. Cá bhfuil sí ag súgradh?
Tá sí ag súgradh ar an trá.

Pg.52:

1. Cén lá atá ann?
De Luain atá ann.
2. Cad atá ar an teilifís ar a cuig a chlog?
Tá Clár Cócaireachta ar an teilifís ar a cuig a chlog.
3. Cad atá ar an teilifís ar a seacht a chlog?
Tá Scannán ar an teilifís ar a seacht a chlog.

Pg. 53:

1. Cén dath atá ar T-léine Phóil?
Tá dath oráiste ar T-léine Phóil.
2. Cén dath atá ar chóta Aoife?
Tá dath dubh ar chóta Aoife.
3. Cén dath atá ar gheansaí Ali?
Tá dath donn ar gheansaí Ali.

Pg. 54:

1. Cé mhéad lacha atá ag siúl go dtí an trá?
Tá aon lacha amháin ag siúl go dtí an trá.
2. Cé mhéad lacha atá ag rith go dtí an trá?
Tá dhá lacha ag rith go dtí an trá.
3. Cé mhéad lacha atá ag rothaíocht go dtí an trá?
Tá trí lacha ag rothaíocht go dtí an trá.
4. Cé mhéad lacha atá ag tiomáint go dtí an trá?
Tá ceithre lacha ag tiomáint go dtí an trá.

A FEW OF MY favourite things...



Everyone has favourites... Answer these questions to find out your favourites!

- 1 What is your favourite colour?
- 2 What is your favourite number?
- 3 What is your favourite animal?
- 4 What is your favourite food?
- 5 What is your favourite drink?
- 6 What is your favourite place?
- 7 What is your favourite game?
- 8 What is your favourite book?
- 9 What is your favourite film?
- 10 What is your favourite day of the week?
- 11 What is your favourite time of the day?
- 12 What is your favourite day of the year?

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