



Primary 5 & 6 Newsletter January 2018

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Literacy

This term we will:

- ✓ Learn to use commas, apostrophes and speech marks with greater accuracy.
- ✓ Continue to develop comprehension skills through weekly comprehension activities and continue to do 'Accelerated Reading' on a daily basis.
- ✓ Learn to describe settings and characters in greater detail by using adjectives, similes and metaphors to add detail.
- ✓ We will continue to learn different spelling patterns through our weekly spelling and sounds write phonics programmes.
- ✓ Write creative and imaginative diary entries by adopting the position of a Viking raider.

Our Topic this term is The Vikings.

We will be learning about...

- ★ *Where Vikings came from.*
- ★ *Where, when and why they invaded different places.*
- ★ *How they invaded.*
- ★ *Viking traditions.*
- ★ *What they were like.*
- ★ *How we know about them.*

And much more.

*There's a lot to research,
learn and find out about.*

Numeracy

We are real Mathematicians in P5 & P6. This term we will...

- ★ Revise our 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 times tables (P5) and division facts (P6).
- ★ Revise column addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- ★ Learn to measure length, perimeter and area.
- ★ Learn to measure capacity and mass.
- ★ Learn to add fractions and calculate fractions of shapes and quantities.
- ★ Solve word problems involving money, measure and fractions.
- ★ Complete a Maths task based on our learning this term.

ICT

In ICT we will be creating book reviews using iPads.

ART

We will be creating art based on our Viking topic work.

In Religion we will continue to listen to bible stories and learn about different saints, religious traditions and religious days. (Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, St Valentine etc...)

IN PHSE we will be looking at New year resolutions, improving friendships, child safety with NSPCC and Internet Safety.



Tin Whistle
every Monday so
don't forget
whistles and
music folders!

Guitar on
Wednesdays.



P.E.

**P5- Tues (Games)
P5- Thu (Gaelic)**

**P6- Thu (Gaelic)
P6- Fri (Swimming)**



**Library books for
the library van
every other
Wednesday from
Wed 17th Jan.**



**Spellings and
Times tables
homework to
be completed
by Friday.**



**Bring
reading
books to
school
EVERY day.
(Read at least one
page per night).**

A note from Mr McKenna, Louise & Karen in P5/6....

Happy New Year to you all.

There are 33 children in the P5/6 class, but we will now have three adults working in the classroom at all times, apart from between 1.00pm -1.30pm when one classroom assistant is on lunch break.

We would like to wish Vivienne a fond fair well who has decided not to return to work, following some time off. However, we are very fortunate to have Karen, who will continue to fill in for Vivienne until a permanent replacement is appointed.

For children who are finding it difficult to complete all homework tasks please remember that they can avail of homework club on a Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, which is proving to be of great benefit to those who attend. Children can also come to the class from 8.50am each morning to work on times tables, and spelling homework, if I have given them permission to do so.

How to help at home

- ★ Hear your child read each night.
- ★ Ask them questions about the story.
- ★ Test them on their spellings and tables.
- ★ Check over or help with homework.
- ★ Make sure they have all they need for school each day.

Birthdays This Term

In Primary 5 & 6

Jan: Anna (27th)

Feb: Sinead (16th), Matthew
(26th) & Saoirse (27th).