**First Class May 18th -22nd**

Hello to all the first class boys and girls and their families. We all miss seeing your smiling faces and good cheer. We hope that you are all enjoying the beautiful sunshine, getting out and doing plenty of activities while maintaining social distance. It is also so important to keep up the reading.

Firstly, a big thank you for all the e mails and messages during the week. It is always great to hear that you are all doing so well and doing lots of great work and activities. Remember you can contact me on [geraldinekellykenmare@gmail.com](mailto:geraldinekellykenmare@gmail.com) if you need anything at all, or if you would just like to update me on how you are getting on and what you are all doing!

Below is suggested work for the third week in May. As always, please only complete as much of this work that suits you and your child. I have also included some websites below that are excellent and fun to use.

Keep safe and well,

G. Kelly and Miss O

**English**

**Reading**: Combined reader 7B p.58 ‘Noises in the Night’ (activities available on folens)

**Focus Words:** Go over focus words in homework journal each day and tick when you know them.

**Comprehension& Vocabulary**: p. 59 (A. Answer questions based on the story and B. Fill in the missing words). DAY 1

**Grammar**: p. 60 (Exercises on contractions eg. Is +not=Isn’t, Was+not= Wasn’t). Day 2

**Writing:** p. 61. Write a story about Emma, Ben and Dad’s fishing trip by using the pictures. Begin with the title, decide on who?, where? And when? Describe what happened and create an ending for your story. Day 4 or 5.

**Oral Language;** Poster 15 ‘Camping’. This is available online and the details for that and the complete Folens starlight programme are below. There are lots of discussion points you can have with your child and hopefully when this is all over we could go camping again!

Please log onto Folens online and put in prim20 when asked for roll number and log in under teacher). There is a lot of interactive activities and oral language based on the Starlight programme, go to combined reader Lesson Plan poster 15 ‘Camping’).

**Spellings:** p. 62 and p. 63. Complete the exercises, put words into sentences in homework booklet to show that you understand the meaning of the words. Do exercise using your dictionary on p.63. Complete Friday test at the back of the book.

**Handwriting:** p. 65

Other English resources can be found on:

* [www.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk) click on oxford for home to access loads of free books.
* You can access the library of World Book online through the Scoilnet website, for unlimited access to thousands of books. Log onto: [https://www.scoilnet.ie/scoilnet-services/world-book/](https://www.google.com/url?q=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.scoilnet.ie%2Fscoilnet-services%2Fworld-book%2F&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNERow57VDcb_NR7WLeCipOOoOU5ng)

1. **Brainpop Junior: There are excellent resources on this website for English. Click on Reading & Writing. Like with the Maths section, choose the area you want (eg. Fact or Opinion), watch the video and take the Quizzes. There is extra work for each section also.**

**Brainpop Junior URL:**<https://jr.brainpop.com/>

**Username:** scoileoin

**Password:** schoolclosure2020

* **Storyline Online:**This award-winning site has gorgeous book reading videos to promote reading aloud to children. Each book includes supplemental curriculum developed by a teacher, aiming to strengthen comprehension and verbal and written skills for all learners.

**Storyline Online URL**: <https://www.storylineonline.net/about-us/>

* **Teach Your Monster to Read:** This is a really fun website and App to help students with their reading. It is based on a game but is very interactive and will back up what is being done in class.

**TeachYourMonstertoRead URL:** [**https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/**](https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/)

**The game is free to play on a laptop or PC.** Parents will need to set up a Username and Password.

The app can be downloaded in Google Play or App Store but costs €0.99c.

* **Oral Language** – to help with Oral Language and to encourage discussion and conversation, we sometimes look at the photos from the New York Times Archive. Choose a photo, have a chat about what is happening in the photo, what do you think might happen next etc.

**NewYorkTimes Photos URL:**<https://www.nytimes.com/column/learning-whats-going-on-in-this-picture>

**Gaeilge**

**Bua na Cainte** by EDCO

* **Bua na Cainte:**This is the learning programme that the children are using in class. For a limited time Edco have made it available to all parents. The children love using this is in school and details to download it are below, be warned it may take some time but well worth it.

**Bua na Cainte URL**: [www.edco.ie/bua](http://www.edco.ie/bua)

Select the File which suits your PC.

Select the first Class Level you require and click to download.

Once downloaded,click on the file to install and follow the instructions.

A Bua na Cainte icon will appear on desktop. Click this icon to bring you to a login page.

**Username:**trial

**Password:** trial

**Bua na Cainte**: Siopadoireacht (shopping)

Ceacht 1: Comhra1.1 and 1.2

Rann- An Tarracoir (the tractor)

Workbook: p. 76 & 77

Ceacht 2: Comhra

Rann: Ag Scipeail (skipping)

Caint: Dia duit (hello/God be with you). Dia’s Muire duit.

Cad ata uait? (what do you want?) Ta\_\_\_\_ uaim. (leabhar/book, peann/pen etc.)

Go raibh maith agat (Thank you),

Slan go foil (Goodbye for now).

These are other excellent resources for teaching Irish and their details are below:

**Duolingo**: Try out this super resource for learning Irish – for parents and children! Set-up an account and take the placement test. This will help the app to give you the right level of Irish for your practise. This is a great little website/app. If you can give this 10 minutes a day (basic user), you’ll learn lots!

**Duolinguo URL**: <https://www.duolingo.com/learn>  
**Create an account:** An adult email is required to activate your account.

* **Cúla4:**This is the TG4 website for children with programmes and games to develop Irish language skills. You can select the ‘English’ button to translate the site.

**Cúla4**: <https://www.cula4.com/ga/>  
**Username/Password**: None.

**Maths**

Mental Maths Week 33 p.66 and 67 (one section a day) including Friday review

Tables: Tables -10. Do exercises each night in homework booklet and Friday test.

Operation Maths:

p. 122 and p. 123 Problem-solving 3

Maths Vocabulary: more, less, count, add, subtract, altogether, skip counting, number sentence, matching, shape, right, left.

p. 124 Operations 6: Adding with renaming within 99. Express numbers up to 99 as tens and units.

Activitiy:

Odd One Out: Call out some numbers in a skip counting pattern (in twos, fives or tens) omitting one number (e,g 2, 4, 8, 10). Ask your child to spot the missing number.

Discussion:

Can you think of anything that comes in pairs?

How many socks in three/four/five/six pairs?

If I had five pairs of socks and I lost one sock, how many socks would be left?

What comes in threes (e.g. wheels on a tricycle, triplets)?

(Operation maths and resources for it are also available on [www.edcolearning.ie](http://www.edcolearning.ie) (Use this to log on Primary username: primaryedcobooks Password: edco2020 )

Other Maths resources available online are:

1. **BrainPop Junior:** We love using this resource in class. Now students can use it from home, thanks to free access. Enter your topic in the search engine, e.g., ‘Addition’ (Maths) or browse subjects to select your topic. Watch the video. Take the easy quiz and when you achieve a full score, take the hard quiz! This is very good for concepts like Time, Money and Fractions.

**BrainPop JuniorURL** : [https://jr.brainpop.com](https://jr.brainpop.com/)

**Password**: schoolclosure2020

* **Mathplayground:** There are lots of good Maths Games on this site that help reinforce topics. Browse maths topics by classes/grades (US).

**Mathplayground URL**: [www.mathplayground.com](http://www.mathplayground.com/)  
**Username/Password**: None required.

* **Khan Academy Kids**: This is a wonderful app for primary children across all subjects but especially Maths. You will need to download the app onto your phone or laptop to access it. Please follow the instructions in the link below.

**KhanAcademyKids URL:**<https://khankids.zendesk.com/hc/en-us>

* **Khan Academy:**For older students. Again you will need to download the app following the instructions below.

**KhanAcademy URL:** <https://khanacademy.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360040168512-Parent-Quick-Start-Guide>

**S.E.S.E.**

Focus: What birds live in Ireland?

Explorers workbook: p. 73.

Read about the different birds commonly found in Ireland.

Go bird-watching. Look out for the blackbird, magpie, wren and blue-tit. Can you spot any fledglings? What other birds can you find?

Draw and label one of the birds you see.

There is also a lovely summer bingo game that you can play when you log into the folens website.

Explorers and related activities are also available on folens online ( Log in free on Folens.ie – [folensonline.ie](http://www.folensonline.ie/)

Use this when asked for Roll number for primary books – Prim20)

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Follow the link here and print out or make a time capsule for covid 19 <https://havenpharmacy.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/My-Covid-19-Time-Capsule-1.pdf>

Other resources available online are:

1. **National Geographic Kids:**Here, students can access games and videos on specific history and science topics. The range of science experiments to explore at home are easy to set-up and enjoyable for children. There are also lots of resources for learning about all types of animals and cultures.

**National Geographic Kids URL**: [https://kids.nationalgeographic.com](https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/)  
**Username/Password**: None to access lots of resources on this site.

* **BBC History for Kids**: This site is no longer updated but still provides a range of videos relevant to the Primary History Curriculum. No passwords are needed.

**BBC Kids History URL**: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/forkids/>

* **Dublin Zoo:**Children can go to the Dublin Zoo website and watch one of their many live cams to see the animals in their habitats. They also have an Animal Encyclopaedia page where students can read and learn about all the different Zoo animals.

**Dublin Zoo URL:**<https://www.dublinzoo.ie/animals/>

* **Google Maps / Google Earth:**Students in the older classes love exploring around Dublin and the world using Google Earth. Voyager on Google Earth has lots of good quizzes and games and students can explore all of the earths amazing locations, learning fun facts along the way.

**Google Earth Voyager URL:**<https://earth.google.com/web/@0,0,0a,22251752.77375655d,35y,0h,0t,0r/data=CgQSAggB>

**Music:**

I have sent you an e mail with links for music activies.

Log onto this wonderful website full of fabulous songs and ideas. Access is free to parents for one month. This is an amazing resource.

<https://dabbledoomusic.com/blog/203273/parentfreeaccess>

If you have signed up to this website, you should be getting an e mail each week with suggestions on what to do.

**Art:**

In this week’s art lesson I am asking you to draw a picture of your ‘real life heroes’. If I was to draw a picture of my ‘real life heroes’ I would draw a picture of the children of my first class. Ye are staying at home more than ye ever did before. Ye are missing out on playdates, sporting activities and meeting lots of people. Despite all of this ye are carrying on with your school work and doing a great job on it. Well done I am super proud of you all.

Plenty of ideas on pintrest and twinkl. Perhaps do a collage on summer or camping or a birthday party.

Twinkl are a wonderful resource for all subjects and is free for parents to use while the schools are closed <https://www.twinkl.ie/resources/roi-resources/school-closure-republic-of-ireland>

**Religion**

**You can log on to the Grow in Love programme online also. On this you can assess a slideshow, scripture and prayers.**

**Step 1: Login to** [www.growinlove.ie](http://www.growinlove.ie)

**Step 2: type in** [trial@growinlove.ie](mailto:trial@growinlove.ie)

**Step 3: Password; growinlove**

We are now on Theme 8: I am with you always

Prayer: Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Read the story of the Pentecost (p.46)

Video Clip: The Holy Spirit helps Jesus’ friends

Workbooks: Grow in Love p. 48 (Home workbook and school workbook)

Mission: Jesus sent his apostles out to spread the Good News of God’s Love. He sent the Holy Spirit to help them. Our mission is the same. We can do many things to show our love and care for others, such as helping, being kind, caring for pets, sharing, doing what I am told and praying for others. Our mission is to be the Good News for others.

**PE and well being**

Check out PE@home with Coach Clare Week 3 <https://youtu.be/-d7zTFtDYpQ>

Be sure and get out and enjoy the fine weather. I hear that some of you are helping out on your farms and have little lambs. How cute!

Did you know that Laya (and you don’t have to be a member) have a lovely virtual health and well being website <https://www.layahealthcare.ie/virtualfestival/> that we can all access?

**GoNoodle**: Students love taking a movement break in class using Go Noodle. There are many videos to choose from and you can choose various categories like mindfulness, dance, movement or motor skill. Set up a family account or use the school login below.

**GoNoodle URL:**[www.gonoodle.com](http://www.gonoodle.com/)

**Username:** [scoileoinlca@gmail.com](mailto:scoileoinlca@gmail.com)

**Password:** schoolclosure2020

* **Cosmic Yoga:**Students love this site also and really engage with the Yoga lessons and movements.No logins required.

**CosmicYoga URL:**<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

**Book Companies providing free log-ins**

* [EDCO.ie](http://www.edco.ie/)
  + Primary username: primaryedcobooks Password: edco2020
  + Junior cert username: jcedcobooks Password: edco2020
  + Leaving cert username: lcedcobooks Password: edco2020
* Folens.ie – [folensonline.ie](http://www.folensonline.ie/)
  + Roll number for primary books – Prim20
  + Roll number for secondary books – Sec20
* CJ Fallons – [cjfallons.ie](http://www.cjfallons.ie/)
  + No login required

Twinkl – online worksheets, powerpoints, stories and resources for every class, subject and topic.

* Twinkl.ie
* Sign up and use code: IRLTWINKLHELPS

**Username:** scoileoin

**EDUCATIONAL WEBSITES:**

**Educational sites**<https://dabbledoomusic.com/blog/203273/parentfreeaccess>

[www.fun4thebrain.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.fun4thebrain.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNFqV9YvCDiQCwouQPSSlBuCePH02g)

[www.coolmath4kids.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.coolmath4kids.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNH-T2ByOa9kal0C-8gkYd4nKZlZIw)

[www.mathgametime.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.mathgametime.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNFWkueSMncPhRdvBRXbaVhB_0EX0w)

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p](https://www.google.com/url?q=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.bbc.co.uk%2Fbitesize%2Flevels%2Fz3g4d2p&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNHA5-f0AHYfhWMDLD16VicPUixTNw)

[www.softschools.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.softschools.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNEkEo3ffV_3qG7CUN4OY9MJKhb92g)

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.bbc.co.uk%2Fbitesize&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNHjgmLYT1c-LM7czxdCjuT98ADnGA)

[www.yourchildlearns.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.yourchildlearns.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNHUhOrsvDewAjqacGgaOxrY-wL_SQ)

[www.nrich.math.org](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nrich.math.org&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGX544NUwES-wCKyKdM78mnP-C1mQ)

[www.aplusclick.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.aplusclick.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNFLPTEIW42rA0yp4qmAHwg-XFbqWw)

[www.kidsmathgamesonline.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.kidsmathgamesonline.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGmvX4MaL-nqC2Vrd1_UHnkD14X6w)

[www.seomraranga.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.seomraranga.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNHYq1L2VvKtHdWSC-J2X1mWjW05tg)

[www.roalddahl.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.roalddahl.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGqxmkxwKNUzrN5JKS6tTz-EPD01g)

**PE / Keep fit:**

Go Noodle: [www.gonoodle.com](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.gonoodle.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNFk3999XIJuc9FRZLUn8iLeHFZ4Bw)

FitBoost: [https://fit.sanfordhealth.org/fit-boost](https://www.google.com/url?q=https%3A%2F%2Ffit.sanfordhealth.org%2Ffit-boost&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNG_wO2B9-gMo7i4CaUINNI6sWDEKA)

Cosmic Kids Yoga: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

The Body Coach: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhI0v-w>

Jump Start Johnny: [https://www.jumpstartjonny.co.uk/home](https://www.google.com/url?q=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.jumpstartjonny.co.uk%2Fhome&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGISNrlZDG17YgUuaUIJqVOAQBm9A)

FitnessBlender: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=McD6_oOWs-M>

Move to Learn: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DS8yeXFeEPA>

**Helpful links**

Irish language: <https://www.rte.ie/gaeilge/2020/0320/1124337-struggling-with-gaeilge-lessons-at-home/>

IXL Maths I online practice <https://ie.ixl.com/math/>

Joe Wicks’ live PE lessons <https://www.walesonline.co.ul/whats-on/family-kids-news/joe-wicks-live-workout-pe-17963978>

Twinkl are a wonderful resource for all subjects and is free for parents to use while the schools are closed <https://www.twinkl.ie/resources/roi-resources/school-closure-republic-of-ireland>

All school books are also available online if you wish to check out the children’s textbooks at this time.

Thanks everyone.