Junior Infants

18th - 22nd May





Collection of Children's Workbooks

Dear Parents,

We the teachers have been given permission to access the school building from today, 18th May. This access is restricted and we are operating under strict guidelines and following social distancing procedures.

We have put together all your child's workbooks and these can be collected this <u>Friday 22nd May</u> <u>between 10am - 1pm</u>. Each bundle of books will be labelled with your child's name and placed outside the front door ready for collection. There will be a one way system in operation and you are asked to exit the school via the top gate close to the car park at the roundabout.

Many Thanks.

Miss Farrell, Mrs Lambe, Mrs Mc Carey.









Hello to all the girls and boys in Room 4, Room 7 and Room 8. We hope you all enjoyed the learning activities last week and we also hope you enjoyed lots of fun time with your family during the week and over the weekend.



<u>Parents</u> - We are very aware that every home is different and this presents different challenges and difficulties. The following is a guide for you to follow this week.Don't worry if you don't get it all done.

Please don't feel under pressure with the workbooks arriving home either. These can be used at a pace that you feel comfortable with.

Miss Farrell, Mrs. Lambe, Mrs Mc Carey.

Mrs Mc Phillips & Miss Burns

(Support Teachers)



Poem Of The Week



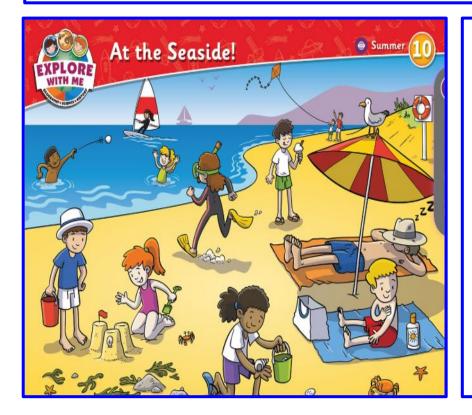
This week we will introduce the theme of Summer. You have already learned lots about Under the Sea. We hope you enjoy all the activities this week and begin to learn lots about Summer! It is such a beautiful time of the year and there is lots to learn!



Bright sun shining down, Shining on the ground. What a lovely face you have So very big and round. Bright sun shining down, Shining on the ground. Up above the clouds so high, Is where you can be found.

SINFR Oral Language Activity





Look at the picture. Talk about what is going on.



- What could you call this type of place? Have you ever visited a place like this?
- What time of year do you think it is? What clues can you find in the picture?
- What things do people enjoy doing at the beach?
- What safety rules do children need to follow when they are at the beach?
- Can you think of five things you might find or use at the beach that begin with 's'?
- If you were at this beach right now, what activity would you most like to take part in?
- What animals might you find at the beach? What habitats or homes do they live in?
- When the weather is not so warm, what might the beach be like? Can you describe how the picture might change?
- Imagine you are packing your bag to go to the beach. What items would you take? Mime how you would pack your bag and call out the list of items you are packing.



Phonics

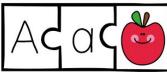


Focus on the letter names and sounds y, x, ch, sh, th

phy 200 Phonics

Find five objects in your house that begin with each sound.

Use your letters in your folders to make words.



Revise letters and sounds using the link below.

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvA</u> <u>YUvQUrGo</u>



Sounds We Know

The following are all the sounds that have been taught in Junior Infants. We will be focusing on all these sounds for the remainder of the year, building words eg, cat,mat, sat. Please revise these sounds with your child on a regular basis. Once your child knows all their sounds, word blending will become much easier in the reading process.

s	a	t	i	Р
n	c	k	e	h
r	m	d	9	o
ι	u	f	b	j
w	z	v	y	qu
x	sh	ch	th	wh



Reading Time





Try to set aside a little time each day to read to your child. Encourage them to predict what they think will happen in the story. Also encourage them to look at books themselves and to identify any words they know. Get them to retell stories in their own words and to talk about the characters.

You could even ask them to give the story a new ending.Ask questions about the story, the setting, the characters and ask them what their favourite part was. They can also draw pictures and write sentences from the book. Listening to audio books and stories is another fun way to engage in storytime.

Listen to the following story 'Summertime Bounce' and engage in discussion about the characters and their favourite part of the story. This story is also full of ryhming words. See if you can guess what the rhyming words are! Can you remember all the places the ball bounced?

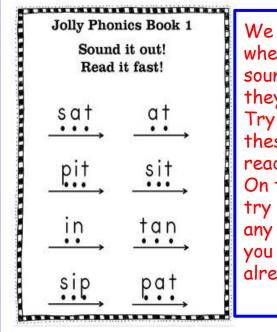


https://youtu.be/0htGZFzR3i4



Now it's your turn to read!





We know that when we put sounds together they make words. Try blending these sounds to read each word! On the next page try to sound out any words that you may not already know.

I like the cat said Emma.

I have a big dog said Josh.

I want to get a pig said Danny.

I don't like the rat said Mum.

The cat got a big rat!

Dad got a pet pig for Danny.







Extra Reading and Rhyming Words

'For those kids that might feel comfortable doing some extra reading the following links will be very beneficial to them.

https://www.starfall.com/h/im-reading/

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/



Don't forget to look back over your word lists and rhyming words also!



https://youtu.be/P6UFtbsLXPY



Writing Activities



Practice your letter formation and remember to always begin at the dot. Explain to your parents that some letters are small, some are tall and some are hanging letters.

l	m	n	0	р	q	r
t u	l V	M	/	X	y	Z
			lmn tuvw			

.Fine Motor Skills: Getting your child to use their fingers as much as possible to make their fingers strong for writing - Using playdoh, cutting, sticking, drawing, using crayons/pencils.

- Let your child use paper, scissors, glue and colours to make whatever they want.
- Encourage your child to draw as much as possible and hold the crayon correctly.
- Encourage your child to write frequently even if they are just making marks on a page.
- Revise how to write letters that we have done already correctly - Ensure your child is just practicing the lower case (small) letter version, not the capital.



Writing Practice and Art



Can you write the following sentences and draw the picture! Summer is here.

The sun is shining.

I play outside.

The flowers grow.









Art Ideas

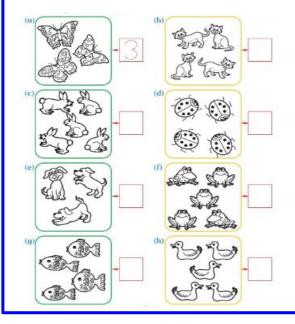
Warm sunny days are one of the best things that I love about Summer. This week we would like you to try making a 'sun'. You can draw, paint, glue. stick, add glitter.....whatever you want. It will be unique to you, your masterpiece. Have lots of fun with this art project!

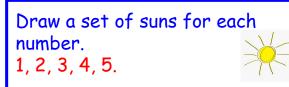


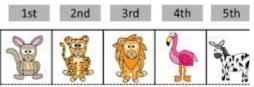
Maths Activities



Count the objects and write the number down.







Which animal is 1st? Which animal is last? Which animal is 2nd? Which animal is after the lion? Which animal is before the lion? Which animal is after the kangaroo?



Show a glass that is full with water.

Show a glass that is empty. Show a glass that is nearly full with water.

Show a glass that is nearly empty.



Draw a glass that is full. Draw a glass that is empty. Draw a glass that is nearly full. Draw a glass that is nearly empty.









Tá an ghrian ag soilsiú.

Tá an ghrian sa spéir.

Tá an ghrian buí.

Tá an lá te.

Tá an lá go deas.

Tá na páistí sa ghairdín.

Tá an madra sa ghairdín.







<u>Click here to listen to the story.</u> <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/10VMzgV_hCxaouH</u> <u>3mgtxhUzmZZRaOq2gw/view?usp=sharing</u>



Music and P.E.





Before you listen to this Summer song, can you make a list of all the things you like to do in the Summer? When you have made the list listen to the song and sing along. Try to remember all the activities in the song. Perhaps you could become a composer and make up some new verses for the song and entertain your family! <u>https://youtu.be/mVhhOoATqBI</u> This week's exercise are very similar to last weeks and no equipment needed! Don't forget to count as you go!

20 jumping jacks. 20 high knees. 20 sidesteps. 20 hops on each foot. 20 frogjumps.



Run and change direction and speed while counting to 20.

Now it's Mum or Dad's turn!!!

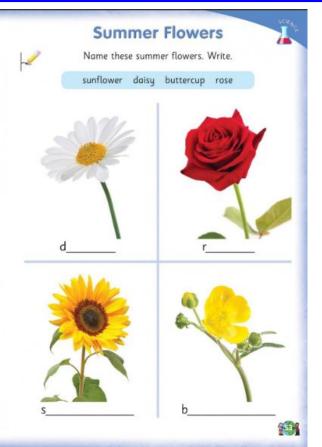
Have you tried P.E. with Joe. Maybe try one or two days this week.

P.E. with Joe, Mon-Fri at 9am: https://www.youtube.com/thebodycoachtv



S.E.S.E





In the season of Summer the grass grows in the garden, the trees are covered with leaves and beautiful flowers also grow in the garden. In Spring we talked about the daffodils and tulips. In Summer some new flowers begin to grow. Some of these flowers are in the pictures. Bees and butterflies love to fly around the flowers. Can you guess why? Yes that's correct! They look for honey or pectar in the

Yes, that's correct! <u>They look for honey or nectar in the</u> <u>flowers.</u>



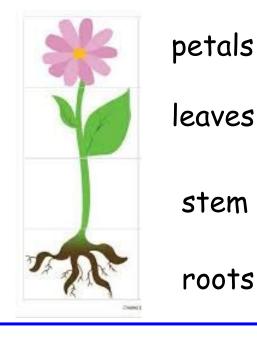
Can you remember what flowers need to grow? Yes, that's correct! They need sun, water, air and space! Talk about the names of these new Summer flowers. Perhaps some of them might be growing in your garden or in a park close by. If you have flowers growing in your garden take a close look at them and see can you name any parts of the flower. We will take a closer look at the parts of a flower on the next page.



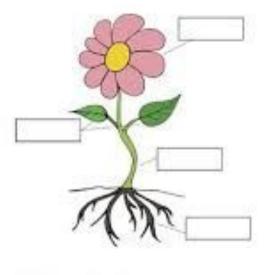
Parts of A Flower



Here we have a picture of the parts of a flower. Can you name them?



Perhaps you could draw this flower and write the correct parts of the flower!



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Additional websites



If you feel that you child would like to engage in extra activities through the week the following websites are very child friendly and educational.

http://www.ictgames.com/

https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

https://www.phonicsbloom.com/

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/

https://www.starfall.com/h/





Well done children and parents! You have completed another week's work! Even if you only completed some areas that's perfectly acceptable. Have a lovely relaxing weekend and we look forward to working with you again next week.

