



Year 4 Newsletter Sept/Oct 2021

Topics

Safe & Sound; looking at First Aid, 999 emergency services, assessing risks and dangers. Investigating safety in the home, at school and when I'm out and about.

We will also explore looking after ourselves through healthy eating, exercise and personal hygiene. It would be greatly appreciated to build on your child's curiosity of this topic by sharing your own knowledge with them and asking them questions about what they have learned.



Literacy

In Primary 4 a great emphasis needs to be placed upon reading. The children take part in the Accelerated Reading and Paired Reading programmes. We ask you to continue to encourage your children to read a variety of books to ensure their success in these programmes. Please ensure you spend some time listening to your child's reading every night.

Your child will have a weekly spelling test, it is important in their spelling development to become familiar with the sound family of the week and look over these spellings daily. This will help the children further develop their reading and writing skills.

Numeracy

This term's focus will be on place value and HTUs. Your child will be developing their abilities in ordering numbers to, addition and subtraction of numbers to 999. As mental maths homework, we hope you will practise number bonds to 20 every night with your child (these can be found in the Things I Need to Know booklet) to increase confidence in column addition and subtraction.

The Numeracy topics also covered will be time, 3D shapes, measuring and dealing with money.

P.E.

Steelstown Brian Og's will be facilitating Primary 4 PE sessions this term. PE will take place on Wednesday mornings, starting next week and you are asked to send your child to school in their PE gear on Wednesdays.



R.E.

Your child will be receiving the Sacraments of First Confession and First Communion this year. Please ensure your child is attending Mass weekly either in the Church or via webcam at home. The children will be taking part in the Do This in Memory programme which is due to begin soon. This will be an adapted version of the programme due to Covid-19 restrictions. Please pray with your child at home and encourage them to practise blessing themselves.

Reminders

Please register for NI Schools App for school announcements.

Dates for your Diary

Do This in Memory Information Session: Wed 22nd Sept.

Do This in Memory Enrollment Mass: Sun 26th Sept.

School closures

Staff training: Fri 1st Oct.

Halloween: Thurs 28th Oct. – Mon 1st Nov.

