

Our topic is Ireland Long Ago. Visit the local library in Shantallow to see if you can find any relevant books. Use the internet to look at pictures and find information. Ask grandparents and great grandparents to share their memories with you and your child.



### Number

Count to 75 and beyond. Revise numbers to 30. Look for numbers all around. Practise writing these numbers correctly. Begin to count in 2's, 5's and 10's to 30. Learn doubles to 20, E.g.  $1+1=2$ ,  $2+2=4$ . Your child will be exploring number stories. These must be learned as part of their homework.

Use this rhyme to help learn the odd and even numbers:

0, 2, 4, 6, 8 who do we appreciate? -the evens.  
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 we are looking mighty fine-the odds.

### Shape

We will be investigating 3-d shape. Look out for cubes, cuboids, cylinders, spheres and cones. Give each shape its correct name. Encourage your child to describe what the shapes look like.



### Money

Explore money with your child. Allow them to handle different coins. Discuss their colour and shape. What can you see on the coins? Look at 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p and 20p coins. Ask your child to give you coins which add up to a given amount.

## Year 2 Jan/Feb

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

February is Pancake Tuesday. Discuss this tradition with your child. You could try to make pancakes together.



### Phonics

Encourage your child to listen to words and to try to spell them. Use all the letters in the alphabet to make words. Clap out the syllables in words, E.g. kid+nap=kidnap. Sound out each syllable, k i d and n a p. Investigate rhyming words.

The school will be closed from Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>-Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February (inclusive) for the midterm break.

The photographer will be in school on Mon 19<sup>th</sup> February to take the children's photos.

Could all children bring in another box of tissues?  
Thank you.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>  
February is Ash Wednesday. Talk to your child about Lent and how you can all prepare for Easter.