

Year 4 March/April. Newsletter 2018

Theme

Our theme for this term is called "Weather Watchers".

We would encourage your children to discuss any of the topics they have been covered in class e.g. hurricanes. We would also encourage your children to continue to watch the weather forecast and develop their curiosity for this topic.



Numeracy



Our focus this term will continue to be on the value of numbers to a thousand.

Children need to focus on: recognising patterns within hundreds e.g. $40+60=100$ therefore $540+60=600$

- Continue to practise the steps for correct addition and subtraction of HTU.
- Develop their financial capabilities, working out totals and change using a variety of methods. They should be able to recognise the value of coins and work out amounts of money using the least amount of coins/notes.
- Developing their mathematical language and applying their knowledge to problem solving.
- **Learn their tables.** This is very important as they are now applying this knowledge to multiplication and division problems.



Our Charity Focus is Trocaire.

Thank you for your generous donations to date. We will be fundraising between now and Easter and we appreciate your continued support.

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Literacy



Reading: We would like your continued support in encouraging your child to read. Please continue to spend some time listening to your child's reading every night.

Accelerated Reader: Please continue to encourage your child to read a range of books and take the quizzes in order to gain points for prizes at the end of term. Quizzes can be taken in the computer suite from 8:30 to 9:00 every morning.

Spelling: The weekly spelling test will continue. It is important to their spelling development to look over these spellings daily.

Writing: Our writing focus this term will be based around grammar, punctuation and presentation. We would ask you to talk with your child about their writing and assist them with their writing tasks. We would ask you to ensure that your child uses a writing checklist to check their written work at home focusing on the correct use of grammar and punctuation.

Events



Holidays:

St Patrick's Holiday school closure on Friday 16th and Monday 19th March.



Easter Holidays: School will finish 12:30pm on Wed 28th and reopen Mon 9th April.



Do This In Memory Mass:

The Do This In Memory programme is continuing. This is an important aspect of your child's preparation for First Communion and it is important that they try to attend.