# Steelstown Primary School Parents' Newsletter

Dear Parents,

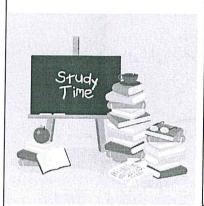
On behalf of the Primary Six Teachers Mr Morris and Mrs Mc Glinchey we welcome your child to Primary Six. We hope that they have a great year and we look forward to working with you all.

### Homework

The purpose of Homework is to consolidate and develop the children's ability to work independently. Children should typically spend no more than 1 hour on Homework. Teachers try hard to match the homework to ability and feedback from parents is helpful to achieve this. Each child will be issued with a Homework Diary. Pupils will record their homework daily and parents should ensure that homework is completed and signed.

### Reading

Reading is a core skill and should be encouraged at every opportunity. Pupils will be provided with a class reading book/novel which will be read as part of their homework. They will also be given the opportunity to use the class and school library. The Reading Club is open every morning and pupils are encouraged to avail of this facility as a wide variety of books are available that pupils can use to complete Accelerated Reader tasks to gain points.



### Numeracy

This month we would encourage pupils to....

- Rote learn set tables
- Revise place value
- Learn how to accurately measure using km, m, cm and mm.
- Construct and interpret graphs

## September in Year 6

### Rules/ Housekeeping It is an important expectation that:

- Full uniform is worn at all times
- P.E. kit is brought in when required
- Pupils are punctual in the morning
- No jewellery is worn
- Mobile phones are left at home
- Chewing gum is not permitted

### **Swimming**

As part of the P.E. curriculum, swimming lessons will begin on Thurday the 13th of September. The total cost of the 15 week course is £30.00This can be paid in weekly instalments of £2.00

### Equipment

While the school provides essential equipment, it is advisable that each child has their own personal tool box of pencils, erasers, glue, ruler and a dictionary.

### **Breaktime**

It is important that your child brings a healthy break to school as from breakfast to lunch is a long time to go without something to eat. Also it is advised that pupils keep hydrated by bringing water to school