

## **Senior Infants**

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Happy birthday to the terrific twins Mark & Sophie. We are missing out on lots of lovely birthday cakes. Hope you all had a good week off school work. We would love to see some pictures of your hard work on ClassDojo/ Email or Whatsapp! Keep up the good work!

### **Week 8:**

#### **English:**

#### **Handwriting- Ss**

- Just Handwriting big book pg. 23.
- Revision: Just Handwriting big book pg. 25/26, 31/32.
- Just Handwriting small book Ss.
- B2 handwriting copy- practice Ss.

#### **Writing**

Free Writing Copy: 2 pages a week (Children can write about anything they want and draw a picture with it). I would love to see some of your free writing. Bet you have lots of lovely sentences about the sunny days.

Description Writing: Encourage your child to write a little description this week about a fish. Paint or draw a picture and write a few sentences about it.

- What is it?
- What does it look like?
- What does it do?
- How do you feel about it?



We also encourage the children to do a check after writing each sentence -

1. Is there a capital letter at the start?
2. Is there a full stop at the end?
3. Is there a space between my words?
4. Is my writing on the line?
5. Does my sentence make sense?

## Oral Language

**Song/Poem:** YouTube

- *Let's Go to the Beach!*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EcBhiDqyibo>

- Listen to this story: *Tiddler: The Storytelling Fish*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qcTQADUywZY>

## **Sounds**

Sounds in Action workbook pg. 76, 77, 78.

## **Reading**

<https://app.pmecollection.com.au/login>

These give children access to the readers we use in school with them. There are over 350 books available and the children will enjoy reading them.

**Username:** dorothykenny82@yahoo.com

**Password:** seniorinfants

The children can read whatever level they are comfortable with. It is also great to read over books they have read already to develop confidence in their reading.

Other useful websites where the children can read the story themselves are *oxfordowl* and *SPELD SA phonics books*.

## **Words**

Please work through the familiar words list (levels 1-8) these with your child daily. Look at the previous worksheet for lots of fun games to play to help learn these words.

## **Gaeilge:**

Abair Liom: This is the book and online resources we use at school. There are lots of great interactive games, posters, songs etc. online. The children love it! To login following these instructions:

*In order to login to FolensOnline you need to register. To do this:*

1. Go to <https://www.folensonline.ie/> and click 'Register'
2. Select 'Teacher'

3. Fill in a username, email address and password

4. For 'Roll Number', use the code Prim20

5. Click 'Register'. You will then be sent an email (check your 'Promotions' folder if using Gmail) to activate your account.

- Launch the poster Ar an Trá (On the Beach).
- Click on the button called 'Scéal' (Story).
- Play the story for your child. The audio and translation are given below.

Tá gach duine ar an trá. (Everyone is on the beach.)

Tá Daidí agus Oisín ag súgradh leis an liathróid. (Daddy and Oisín are playing with the ball.)

Tá Mamaí ag léamh. (Mammy is reading.)

Tá Síofra ag éistacht le ceol. (Síofra is listening to music.)

Tá Seán ag súgradh sa ghaineamh. (Seán is playing in the sand.)

- Play the story once a day so that your child becomes familiar with the language. Help them to understand the story.
- Launch the poster Ar an Trá (On the Beach).
- Click the button called 'Fóclóir 1' (Vocabulary 1)
- Play the vocabulary activity with your child and make sure they understand the meaning of the words:

Fóclóir 1: caisleáin gainimh (sandcastle), uachtar gréine (sun cream), gaineamh (sand), farraige (sea), grianmhar (sunny), scamall (cloud), liathróid (ball), spád (spade), buicéad (bucket).

- Repeat these steps with 'Fóclóir 2' (Vocabulary 2)

Fóclóir 2: ag imirt peile (playing football), ag léamh (reading), bád (boat), culaith shnámh (swimming togs), ag snámh (swimming), tuáille (towel), ag déanamh (making), ag éisteacht (listening)

- Listen to the song "Ar an Trá"

### **Maths:**

- Oral Maths: Counting in 2s. Use blocks in pairs to help at the beginning. Practice counting in 2s (this will help with counting coins.) Play a game taking turns to say the next number: Child "2", Adult "4", Child "6", Adult "8" etc. Swap who begins the game.
- Maths at home book pg. 29.
- Maths at school book pg. 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114.
- Maths copy: Draw these coins in your copy: 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c.
- Practical work: Sort coins under 10c.
- Give the children coins under 10c and get them to tell you how much money they have.
- Set up a shop (See Aistear section) Use real money (1c, 2c, 5c and 10c coins) to buy items.
- Try this game on your phone, tablet or computer. It is a great way of learning to count up amounts of money.  
<https://teachingmoney.co.uk/eurosite/games/10pMatcheuro.html>
- Number Rhyme: Sing a Song of Sixpence.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=26yFO5lnkgU>

### **SESE (Social, Environmental and Scientific Education):**

## Small World Book

- The Dolphin pg. 42. Find out some more information about dolphins on <http://sarkive.com/mammals/tursiops-truncatus/>
- Fish pg. 43. This will tie in nicely with their description writing on fish. Learn some more about fish on the following link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zpe80yNfD7A>
- Does it Float? Pg. 50.

This is a lovely lesson to do in the sun. Allow them use a lunch box full of water and explore items that float and sink. Encourage your child to make a guess first and explain why they think that.

## **Aistear:**

### **The Beach / Under the Sea**

- Role Play: Going to the Beach. Play with a beach ball, build a sand castle if you have sand pits, sunbathe, eat ice-cream, have a water fight!
- Writing station: get a beach bag and allow the children to fill it with items they would need at the beach. When they are finished get them to write a list of everything in their bag.
- Set up a shop on the beach selling ice cream, sunglasses, sun hats, umbrellas, deck chairs etc. Use real money to help improve their maths skills.
- Draw a picture of the seaside and include all the items in your beach bag. Label the picture.

## PE:

- Play volleyball pretending you are at the beach.
- Talk about water safety. Irish Water Safety has some great online resources for all ages. These are lovely pictures reminding infants how to stay safe near water.

<https://watersafety.ie/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/PAWS-1-Presentation.pdf>

Here are some simple interactive activities based on the above presentation:

<http://paws.edco.ie/junior-and-senior-infants/>

- Get plenty of fresh air.

## Art:

- Make your own fish using a paper plate.

<https://www.pinterest.ie/pin/317855686172229153/>



*I have sent you all an invite to join ClassDojo, where the children can share their work with us and we can provide feedback. We would love to see your lovely work during the last month of school!*