4th Class Work

25th-29th January 2021

Hi everyone,

I hope everyone is keeping safe and warm (unlike those Eskimos from Art last week). Ms Mc Hugh has a special message below for you to <u>watch</u>.

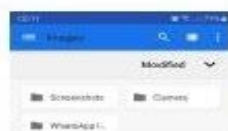**How to send your teacher your work:**

There are a few ways to do this – here are the steps for one of the ways:

1. Take a photo of your work on your phone camera.
2. Open your email on your phone. Look at the bottom of the screen and click the tab marked "Compose".

3. Fill in the person you are sending the email to:
4. Click on the paper clip tab – at the top on the right.

5. Click on "attach file"

6. This will bring you to the options for attaching – pick images, and then pick camera

7. Then click on the images you wish to send in your email.
   (These are the photos I used here today)

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Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE	Indoor Scavenger Hunt	Pe with Joe	Pe with Joe	Keepy-uppy Challenge	Mindful Movement
Maths	Revision & Length	Revision & Length	Revision & Length	Work It Out- Mental Maths	Work It Out- Mental Maths
English	Reading Comprehension (David Walliams)	Recount Writing (Diary Entry)	Alphabetical Order	Grammar (Commas)	Cloze Procedure
Gaeilge	Ceist agus freagra	Ag siopadóirecht	Ag siopadóirecht	Tarraingt Agus abairti	Meaitseail suas agus Cuardach focal
SESE/ SPHE/Arts	History - Starfruit tree story	History - reorder the story	Music - Dan bau	Art - origami	SPHE - alphabet of feelings

[Monday Video for the week-Week 3.mp4](#) ← Watch Me!!

HAPPY MONDAY

Monday

PE:

Indoor Scavenger Hunt

How many of these things can you find in your house? Fill in the box to record what you found. The pictures will give you a clue but you can pick anything!

- Something round or circular....
- Something soft or cuddly.....
- Something the colour red....
- A favourite book you read before bed....
- Something that you wear on your feet.....
- A bathtime toy.....
- Something the colour green....

Can you add three new things to hunt for in your home? It could be a colour, a shape or something you use each day!

Maths:

Every Day: Practice your 3x tables, plus counting forward and backward by 3

Mental Maths strategy: Compensating – For example when you have 28 + 12 = you can round the

28 up by 2 to be 30, and round down the 12 by 2 to be 10, which means your sum is now 30+10=40.

Try these in your head:

1. 58+12=
2. 67+13=
3. 46+15=

4. 31+13=

This week we will be doing revision of +, -, x and ÷.

9382	7208	4765	9742	3710
− 324	+ 431	− 178	+ 416	+ 470

a)24x 6   b) 35x 8   c) 145x 7   d) 268 x 3
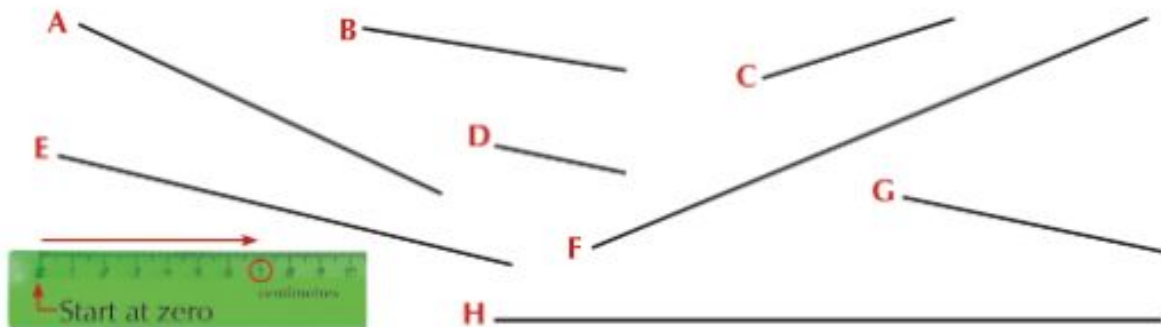
(a) 3 | 93   (b) 4 | 84   (c) 2 | 68

Length

This week we are going to learn about length, you did cover some of it in 3rd class.
100cm= 1m   1000m=1km

Estimating and measuring.

1. Estimate the length of each line and then measure each line.

—Start at zero

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
My estimate	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm
Actual length	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm
Difference	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm	__ cm

2. Use a ruler to draw lines of the following lengths.
  (a) 4cm   (b) 6cm   (c) 1cm
  (d) 8cm   (e) $10\frac{1}{2}$cm   (f) $12\frac{1}{2}$cm

Literacy:

David Walliams

Who Is David Walliams?

David Walliams is a comedian, actor and author. He is also a judge on a TV talent show and writes for TV. David raises money for the charity, Sport Relief, which helps people all over the world.

David's Childhood

David was born on 20th August 1971 in Merton, London. He was the child of Peter and Kathleen Williams. From a young age, he loved dressing up and his older sister Julie would often dress him up in girls' clothes for fun.

David went to school in Surrey, where his love of dressing up grew and his love of acting began. He was also on the school swimming team. At age 11, he acted in his first school play wearing a dress and made everyone laugh. This was the moment he knew that what he wanted to do with his life was make people laugh.

David the Author

David had a successful TV career and his own TV show. But he wanted to write a book about how it's OK to be different. In 2008, he published 'The Boy in the Dress' about a boy who loves football and wearing dresses. The book sold over half a million copies.

David has now written twelve chapter books for children and six picture books for younger readers. Some of his most famous books are 'Mr Stink', 'Billionaire Boy' and 'Gangsta Granny'. His books are often illustrated by Tony Ross, who also illustrates the 'Horrid Henry' books.

Did You Know...?

- David changed his name from Williams to Walliams because there was already an actor called David Williams!

- When swimming in the river Thames, David rescued a Labrador dog that had fallen in the river!

- David has sold over eight million books all over the world.

North Sea

The English Channel

Atlantic Ocean
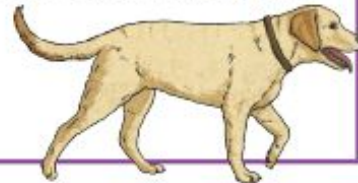
Many of David's books have now been filmed for TV and you can sometimes spot him acting in them too!

Charity Work

David has raised a lot of money for charity. In 2006, David swam the English Channel (from England to France) to raise money for Sport Relief. He swam 22 miles and raised over one million pounds. In 2011, David swam the length of the river Thames (140 miles) and raised more than two million pounds for Sport Relief. David was awarded an OBE by The Queen in 2017 for his charity work.

Once you've read the text answer the questions below.

Questions

1. What did David like doing as a child? Tick two.

   ○ running
   ○ dressing up
   ○ writing
   ○ acting

2. When was 'The Boy in the Dress' published? Tick one.

   ○ 2004
   ○ 2006
   ○ 2008
   ○ 2011

3. Draw lines to complete the sentences about David.

David has raised a lot of money for charity through		being different.
David wanted to write a book about		make people laugh.
David knew early on that he wanted to		swimming.

4. Number the events below to show the order in which they happened in David's life.

   ☐ David had a successful TV career.
   ☐ David was born the son of Peter and Kathleen Williams.
   ☐ David published 'The Boy in the Dress'.
   ☐ David acted in his first play.
   ☐ David enjoyed dressing up with his sister.

5. Fill in the missing words in this sentence.

   David raised _____ million pounds for charity in 2011 and _____ million pounds for charity in 2006.

6. What did David rescue when swimming the river Thames?

   _____

7. Who often illustrates David's books? Why do you think he chose this illustrator?

   _____

   _____

   _____

Gaeilge :

a) Say these questions and answers out loud.
b) Ask two people in your house the questions and write their answers in your copy.

   i)   Cad is ainm duit? _____ is ainm dom.

        _____is ainm do. (his name)

        _____is ainm di. (her name)

   ii) Cén aois thú? Tá mé _____ mbliana d'aois. (naoi/deich)
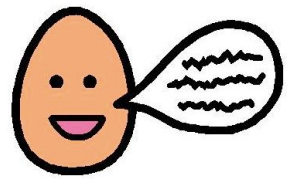
SESE - History

Watch this story - and answer the questions below: click on the link to see it

Vietnamese folk story

Questions: answer these into your copy - remember to use full sentences:

1. How many brothers were in the story?

2. Which bird visited the Starfruit tree?

3. Why did De only fill half his bag?

4. Why did Hu swap farms with De?

5. Why did the Raven leave Hu's wife at the mountain?

6. Do you think they all got what they deserved?

Tuesday

Maths :

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b)36+14
c)47+13
d)55+15

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(a) H T U	(b) H T U	(c) H T U	(d) H T U
1 3 6	2 1 7	5 1 3	5 2 8
+ 3 4 2	+ 3 3 5	+ 2 6 8	+ 2 9 1

1. H T U	2. H T U	3. H T U	4. H T U
5 1 4	3 8 4	8 1 4	7 1 7
– 2 0 9	– 1 4 3	– 2 5 5	– 6 2 8

1. (a) 43   (b) 39   (c) 73
        × 5   × 6   × 4

1. (a) 5 | 885   (b) 5 | 815   (c) 5 | 840

Length

1. Write the following as m and cm and as cm.

   (a) 4·21m   (b) 2·97m   (c) 1·89m   (d) 6·50m

   (e) 2·20m   (f) 14·12m   (g) 19·95m   (h) 1·01m

   (i) 5·06m   (j) 7·09m   (k) $4\frac{1}{2}$m   (l) $6\frac{3}{4}$m

   Example
   4·38m =
   4m 38cm =
   438cm

2. Write the following as m using a decimal point.

   (a) 461cm   (b) 218cm   (c) 347cm   (d) 117cm

   (e) 260cm   (f) 206cm   (g) 640cm   (h) 604cm

   (i) 3m 42cm   (j) 9m 19cm   (k) 3m 80cm   (l) 3m 3cm

   (m) 23m   (n) 23cm   (o) 8m   (p) 8cm

Literacy:

Recount Writing

In the video below Ms Kenny takes you through the main features of recount writing.

https://vimeo.com/500486603/3cb45fa76b

Recount Writing: Diary Entry

Imagine you get to meet David Walliams for a day. Describe this day in your diary. Don't forget to describe your emotions and give plenty of detail.

(Please write your diary entry in your copy or on a separate page. There is not enough room for you to write on this page.)

Dear Diary,

Introduction (When? Who? What? Where? Why?)

First …

Next…

After…

Later…

Finally… (concluding paragraph)

Gaeilge :

a) Practice the words below connected to the theme of '*Ag siopadóirecht' (shopping)*

| siopa teilifíse | siopa bróg | búistéir | siopa éadaí |

b) Which of the above words suits the best……..

1. Cheannaigh mé *Nike 270s* sa _____. (I bought Nike 270s in __)
2. Cheannaigh mé an teilifís sa _____.
3. Cheannaigh mé a gúna deas sa _____.
4. Cheannaigh mé liamhás sna _____í.

SESE - History

Reorder these sentences to tell the Starfruit tree story: write them into your copy in the correct order:

- The Big Raven called his friends to eat all the fruit of the starfruit tree.
- There was a rich farmer who died leaving 2 sons, he told them to share the farm equally.
- The Raven brought De to the Gold Mountain, where De half filled his bag with gold.
- The Raven brought Hu to the Gold Mountain, where Hu filled a huge bag with gold.
- Hu fell off the Ravens back because his bag of gold was too heavy.
- Hu didn't share the farm equally - he only gave De a small field and an old starfruit tree.
- De looked after his small farm well, and was happy with life.
- Hu made De swap farms when he saw all the gold that De got from the Raven.

- Hu's wife was just as greedy as him, and tried to trick the Raven too.
- De lived happily ever after with the whole farm since his brother disappeared.

Wednesday

PE:

Pe with Joe - click here to do the Wednesday session

Maths

(a)	H T U	(b)	H T U	(c)	H T U	(d)	H T U
	807		484		273		515
	+ 178		+ 338		+ 267		+ 399

(a)	H T U	(b)	H T U
	65		288
	- 23		- 197

(a) 16   (b) 24   (c) 39
  × 8   × 7   × 6

(a) 3 | 93   (b) 5 | 90   (c) 2 | 94

Length

A Adding and subtracting length.

Example
Add 3m 56cm
to 1m 28cm.
Change to m.

m
3·56
+ 1·28
4·84

1.

(a) m	(b) m	(c) m	(d) m	(e) m
2·14	6·72	5·82	3·84	6·06
+ 1·77	+ 2·56	+ 2·49	+ 0·49	+ 2·88

2.
(a) 4m 89cm – 1m 58cm   (b) 8m 60cm – 5m 34cm
(c) 9m 18cm – 6m 36cm   (d) 8m 8cm – 75cm
(e) 9m 8cm – 3m 38cm   (f) 7m 21cm – 2m 53cm
(g) 7m 82cm – 3m 65cm   (h) 6m 5cm – 99cm

Literacy:

Alphabetical Order
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

List these birds in alphabetical order.

1. robin, eagle, crow, kiwi, owl

2. pigeon, wren, magpie, sparrow, bullfinch

List these European Countries in alphabetical order.

1. Italy, Luxembourg, Romania, Greece, Norway.

2. Spain, Poland, Austria, Finland, Belgium

List the countries in alphabetical order.

(You may have to use the 2nd, 3rd or even the 4th letter)

1. Belgium, Britain, Brazil.

2. Sweden, Spain, Swaziland.

3. Australia, Andorra, Austria.

4. Alaska, Switzerland Argentina.

5. Israel, Iceland, Ireland.

6. America, Indonesia, Ivory Coast.

7. Cyprus, Canada, China.

8. France, Fiji, Finland

Gaeilge:

a) Practice the words below connected to the theme of '*Ag siopadóirecht' (shopping)*

| siopa glasraí | siopa leabhar | siopa ceoil | siopa peataí |

b) Which of the above words suits the best……..
Put the words you've learned above into the sentences below.
   1. Chuaigh mé go dtí an _____ agus cheannaigh mé an leabhar nua.
   2. Chuaigh mé go dtí an _____ agus cheannaigh mé an madra.
   3. Chuaigh mé go dtí an _____ agus cheannaigh mé cairéid.
   4. Chuaigh mé go dtí an _____ agus cheannaigh mé an iPod dubh.
(I went to the _____ and I bought a ____)

Music:

There is one instrument that is only found in Vietnam - it is a string instrument called a Dan Bau. Here is a photo of a Dan Bau:
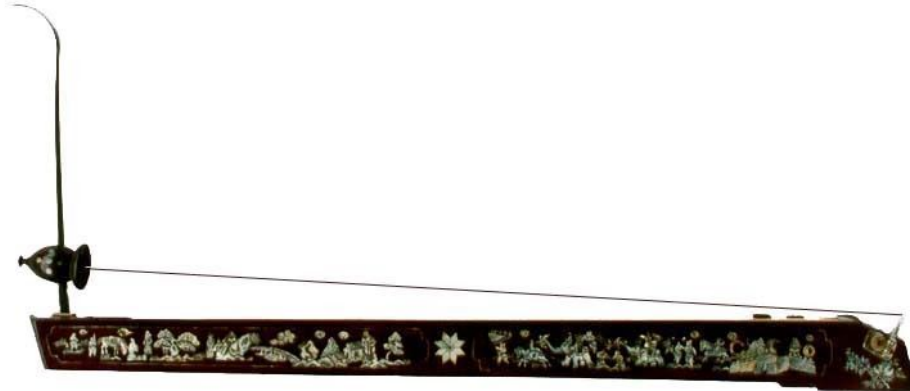
Watch the link below to see and hear this instrument being played:

Dan bau music

There are more recordings below too:

More Vietnamese music

Thursday

PE:

Keepy-uppy challenge.
Using a football, toilet roll or another ball substitute to do as many keepy uppys as you can in a row.
Send them to Ms McHugh on mmchugh@staidanssns.ie and see can you beat her record of 5,0000 keepy-uppys in a row.

Maths :

Addition:

1. (a) Th HTU (b) Th HTU (c) Th HTU (d) Th HTU
       4 5 7 1   3 4 6 8   1 4 6 3   3 5 7 7
     + 2 3 5 8   + 3 3 2 9   + 7 9 1 3   + 3 7 8 4

Subtraction:

(a) Th HTU   (b) Th HTU   (c) Th HTU
    5 1 2 9   3 8 8 4   7 1 7 1
  − 2 0 4 7   − 1 4 3 6   − 6 0 8 0

Multiplication:

(a) 215   (b) 260   (c) 306
   ×   5   ×   6   ×   6

Division:

(a) $5 \overline{)925}$ (b) $5 \overline{)690}$ (c) $5 \overline{)735}$

T A B L E S

1. $15 - 5 =$ ☐
2. $13 - 5 =$ ☐
3. $14 - 6 =$ ☐
4. $15 - 7 =$ ☐
5. $13 - 7 =$ ☐

6. A programme starts at 6:30 and finishes at 7:20. How long does the programme last? ☐

7. How many millilitres are there in a quarter of one litre? ☐ ml

8. $(\frac{3}{4}$ of 28$) - 8 =$ ☐

9. Write 113 minutes in hours and minutes. ☐ hrs ☐ mins

10. How much heavier is 5 kg 200 g than 2 kg 150 g? ☐

11. Round 3049 to the nearest ten. ☐

12. Add 10 to 3421. ☐

13. Write $1\frac{1}{2}$ km as metres. ☐

14. How many bags of 6 plums can be filled from a box of 72 plums? ☐

15. Find the sum of 16, 18 and 9. ☐

16. $(24 \div 6) + (36 \div 6) =$ ☐
    a 10 b 11 c 12

17. $100 - (81 \div 9) =$ ☐   a 87 b 89 c 91

18. $(24 \div 3) + 3 = (3 \times 4) -$ ☐
    a 1 b 2 c 6

19. $(40 \div 5) - (24 \div 6) =$ ☐
    a 2 b 4 c 6

20. $(27 \div 3) + 9 =$ ☐ $\times 9$ a 2 b 3 c 4

☹ ☐ 😐 ☐ ☺ ☐ Score 20

Literacy:

ⓔ Grammar: Commas

A comma (,) is used:
(a) To separate items in any type of list, e.g. Potatoes, cabbage, kale and turnips are all vegetables.
(b) To show an address, e.g. 35 Shannon Walk, Killarney, County Kerry.

Write the following in your copybook, inserting commas where needed.
1. November December and January are the months of winter.
2. I live at No. 4 Orchard Crescent Dublin Road Dundalk Co. Louth.
3. I put a towel swimsuit goggles and swimming cap into my bag.
4. I study Irish English Maths History Geography Science and Music at school.
5. John Maria Edward Henry and Fred are in my class at school.
6. _____ _____ and _____ are all counties in Ireland.
7. My address is _____
8. _____ and _____ are teachers in my school.
9. _____ and _____ are towns in my county.
10. _____ and _____ are the names of my friends.

Gaeilge :

Ag Siopadóirecht;

Draw a picture of the shops below:

siopa teilifíse	siopa glasraí	siopa bróg

''Is maith liom a bheith ag….''

1. Watch the <u>video</u> below to help you read the focloir for the week and write sentences for each hobby beside them.

2. **Tasc:** Scríobh an abairt cheart in aice leis an bpictiúr.
   (write the correct sentence beside the picture)

Every sentence should start with ''*Is maith liom a bheith ag* _____''

Ag imirt peile – playing football
Ag imirt cártaí – playing cards
Ag éisteacht le ceol – listening to music
Ag féachaint ar an teilifís – watching t.v.
Ag tarraingt – drawing
Ag léamh - reading

Eg. shutterstock.com · 448042585 **= Is maith liom a bheith ag imirt rugbaí.** *(I like playing rugby)*
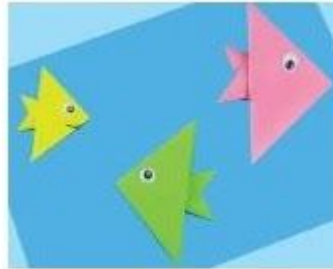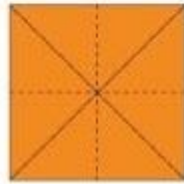
Art:

Origami Fish

You will need:

- 1 square piece of paper (at least 12cm x 12cm)
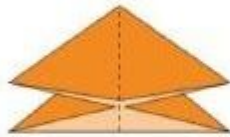- black felt tip pen
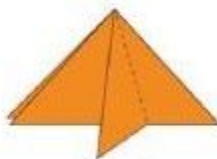
1. Fold the two diagonals.

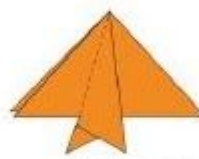2. Turn the paper over and fold the vertical and the horizontal line.

3. Hold the paper on both sides and push it together at the folded lines.

4. This creates a triangle.

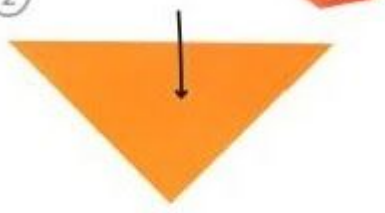5. Fold the right corner to the middle to create a fin.

6. Finally fold the left corner on top of the right corner. Turn around the fish and use your black pen to draw an eye.

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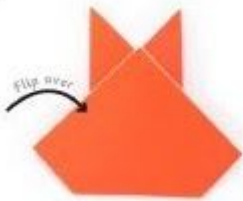# Origami Rabbit

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7. Flip over

8.

Friday

PE:

[Mindful Movement K4-8](#) ← Click here and chose two mindful movement videos to complete.

It's Friday !!

My favourite is '*Dance of the Sun*'.

Maths:

Addition:

a) Th H T U	(b) Th H T U	(c) Th H T U	(d) Th H T U
3 0 4 9	2 1 0 8	6 5 4 1	3 1 7 7
+ 3 1 6 6	+ 3 9 4 4	+ 1 0 0 9	+ 2 8 8 8

Subtraction:

(a) Th H T U	(b) Th H T U	(c) Th H T U
5 1 4 8	2 1 7 6	8 5 1 6
− 2 2 3 9	− 1 0 8 8	− 2 6 2 4

Multiplication:

(a) 841	(b) 260	(c) 391
× 7	× 8	× 6

Division:

(a) 6 | 852   (b) 6 | 936   (c) 6 | 774

T A B L E S

1. $13 - 7 =$ ☐

2. $14 - 6 =$ ☐

3. $15 - 6 =$ ☐

4. ☐ $- 5 = 8$

5. ☐ $- 9 = 9$

6. What is 10 less than 201? ☐

7. A prize of €725 was shared equally among 5 people. How much did each person get? ☐

8. What number is 4 times smaller than 344? ☐

9. $(28 \div 7) + (35 \div 5) =$ ☐

10. How many centimetres are there in $\frac{1}{10}$ of a metre? ☐ cm

11. Take 9 times 7 from 180. ☐

12. How many 5c coins in €1·10? ☐

13. A train leaves Dublin at 9:30 and arrives in Cork at 12:15. How long does the journey take? ☐

14. Half of 8440 tickets for sale at a rugby match were sold. How many were left to be sold? ☐

15. $(45 \div 9) + 8 =$ ☐

16. $(6 \times 6) +$ ☐ $= 50$ a 12   b 14   c 16

17. $50 - (4 \times 7) =$ ☐   a 12   b 32   c 22

18. $30 - (3 \times 8) =$ ☐   a 4   b 6   c 8

19. $(21 \div 7) - 3 = 5 \times$ ☐   a 0   b 2   c 4

20. $(4 \times 5) - 4 =$ ☐ $\times 4$ a 4   b 6   c 8

☹ ☐ 😐 ☐ ☺ ☐ **Score** 20

Life Cycle of a Dandelion

Cloze Activity Sheet

The dandelion is a wild plant that is very recognisable because of its bright flowers. Many people consider the dandelion plant to be an unwanted weed in their gardens.

The season of _____ usually marks the return of the dandelion flower after the cold, winter months. The dandelion plant can produce flowers and seeds year after year. In fact, the older dandelions tend to have stronger roots than the younger dandelions.

But before this happens, every dandelion will _____ its life as a seed. Dandelion seeds are spread by the _____. The seed can be carried for miles by the wind before it settles into suitable soil. Once it finds a spot in some good soil, the seed will begin to germinate. This means that it will begin to _____ and become a young plant.

The shoots of the young plant will then be seen pushing up through the ground as it searches for _____. The plant will grow stronger as it gets nutrients from the soil. At this time, the buds and _____ of the plant will begin to grow.

Once they bloom, the bright _____ of the dandelion plant can be yellow or orange in colour. The flower of the dandelion opens in the morning and then when the night arrives, the flower closes in to go asleep.

Over time, the flower will _____ into a seed head. This can sometimes take up to 15 days to happen. The seed head is shaped like a puffy, _____ ball and can contain up to 100 seeds.

The seeds are then _____ off and spread by the wind. The seeds _____ like tiny parachutes and can end up in soil up to 5 miles away. These new seeds will become dandelion plants if they can find suitable soil to grow and the life cycle of the dandelion will start all over again.

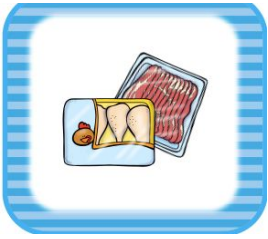| Word Bank				
wind	sunlight	flowers	leaves	spring
sprout	blown	travel	transform	
	white		begin	

Gaeilge :

Match the shop names and pictures below. (In your copies you can just write 1= siopa torthaí

siopa teilifíse

búistéir

siopa bróg

siopa glasraí

siopa ceoil

siopa milseán

Ps there are some new shops for you to figure out here. Match the ones you know first.

Ag Siopadóireacht

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SIOPA PEATAI
SIOPA GLASRAI
SIOPA EADAI
SIOPA BROG
SIOPA MILSEAN
SIOPA LEABHAR
SIOPA TEILIFISE
BUISTEIR
SIOPA CEOIL

A 'fada' may be missing from a word because google wouldn't allow them. Pretend that it's there.

SPHE - an alphabet of feelings

This is a strange time with many strange feelings - write your own alphabet of feelings: Here are some examples to help you: (not all letters of the alphabet are here - but try and see how many you can think of!) Send a photo of your list to your teacher.

afraid, alarmed, angry, anxious, apprehensive,

cool, calm, content, cheerful,

delighted, down, downcast, downhearted,

embarrassed, excited,

forlorn, frightened, frustrated, furious,

glad, gloomy,

happy, heavy-hearted,

impatient,

jealous,

light-hearted, lonely, low,

melancholy, merry, mournful,

pleased, patient, purposeful,

sad, satisfied, serene, sorrowful, sunny, surprised

tranquil, thrilled,

unhappy,

wistful, worried.

Mr Kelly's Literacy Groups

Monday

Comprehension: read the story and answer the questions in your copy.

Squirrels

Cute and furry with lovely bushy tails, everyone likes squirrels. It does not seem to matter that they are cousins of mice and rats. People still like them. Squirrels live in woods and forests. They eat nuts and seeds that they get from trees. They collect nuts in the autumn and store them for times when food is scarce.

Squirrels can jump quickly from branch to branch high up in the trees. This keeps them safe from **predators** such as foxes. They come down from the trees when they want to hide some nuts in the ground and to look for more food.

There are two kinds of squirrel in Ireland – the red squirrel and the grey squirrel. Red squirrels have been in Ireland for thousands of years. Grey squirrels only arrived in Ireland about 100 years ago. In 1911, a few grey squirrels were brought over from America as a wedding present for an important lady. They escaped and went into the wild. Nowadays, there are more grey squirrels in Ireland than red ones.

In the winter, squirrels sleep a lot. They live in special nests called **dreys**. When they wake up feeling hungry, they go looking for the nuts that they have stored. ■

CHECK-UP

1 In what areas do squirrels like to live?
2 Why do they spend so much time up in trees?
3 What do they eat?
4 How many kinds of squirrel live in Ireland?
5 What is the nest of a squirrel called?

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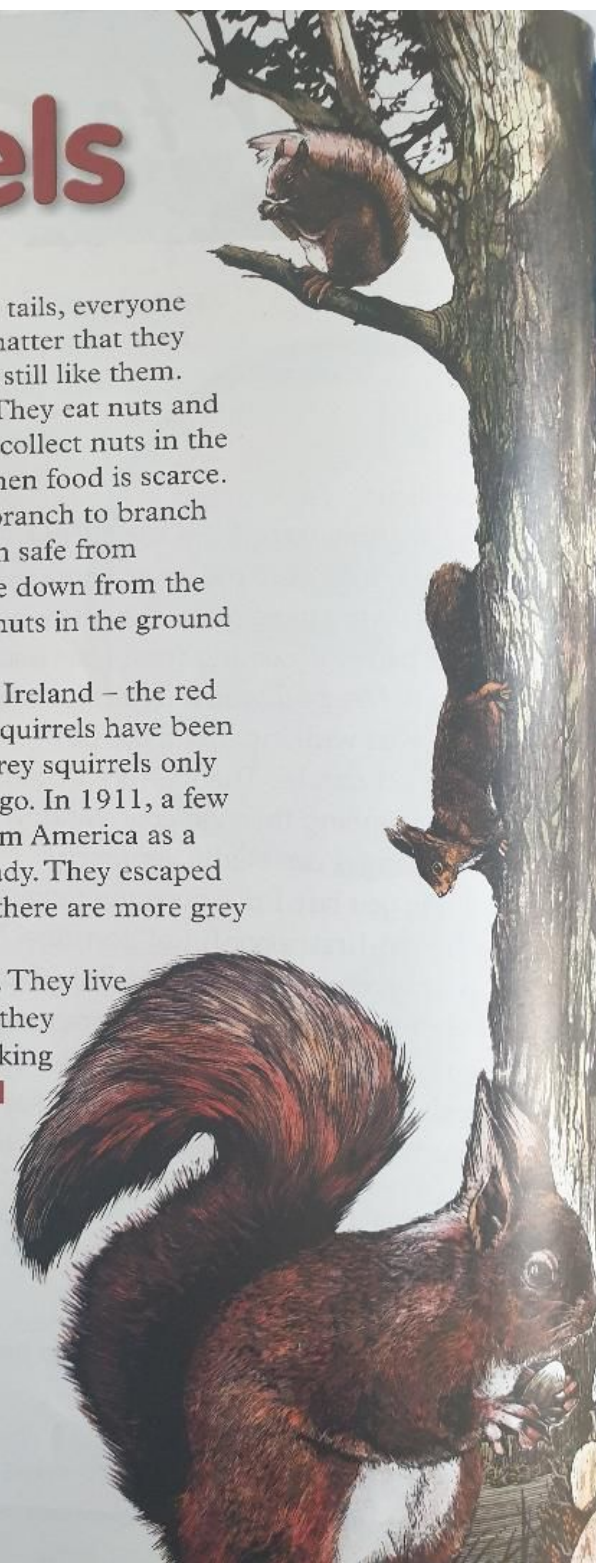
Tuesday

Persuasive writing - answer activity A and B into your copy.

Persuasive Writing

Letters and Envelopes

A Here is a letter that Cian wrote to his cousin Jane.

Seaside Holiday Home
Dingle
Co. Kerry
26 August

Dear Jane,

I hope you are well. I am having a fantastic time here in Dingle. The weather is warm and sunny.

We went to the beach yesterday. Dad and I looked for shellfish while Mam and Sally made a huge sandcastle! This morning we went on a boat around Dingle Bay. We saw seals and a dolphin. Tomorrow we will go to the aquarium.

I have taken lots of photos with my new digital camera. I will show them to you when I get home.

See you on Sunday,

Cian

Ms Jane Murphy
35 Rose Drive
Navan
Co. Meath

- Who wrote the letter?
- Who is the letter written to?
- Where are Cian and his family staying?
- What is the weather like?
- Where did Cian and his family go yesterday?
- What did his family do at the beach?
- Where did they go this morning?
- When will Cian see Jane?

B Write a letter to a relative or friend telling them about a special place you visited.

Think about....
- Who are you going to write your letter to?
- Where were you and your family staying?
- What was the weather like?
- What special places did you visit, e.g. the beach, the zoo?
- Did you make any new friends on holidays?

Alphabetical Order - write proper order into your copy.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

List these birds in alphabetical order.

1. robin, eagle, crow, kiwi, owl

2. pigeon, wren, magpie, sparrow, bullfinch

List these European Countries in alphabetical order.

3. Italy, Luxembourg, Romania, Greece, Norway.

4. Spain, Poland, Austria, Finland, Belgium

List the countries in alphabetical order.

(You may have to use the 2nd, 3rd or even the 4th letter)

9. Belgium, Britain, Brazil.

10. Sweden, Spain, Swaziland.

11. Australia, Andorra, Austria.

12. Alaska, Switzerland Argentina.

13. Israel, Iceland, Ireland.

14. America, Indonesia, Ivory Coast.

15. Cyprus, Canada, China.

16. France, Fiji, Finland

Thursday

Phonics - answer A, B and C in your copy.

A. The letters 'k' or 'ck'?

Write the correct word.

rake/racke   sinck/sink   paket/packet   tank/tanck

shacke/shake   soket/socket   tak/tack   shack/shak

B. The letters 'g' or 'j'?

Use your dictionary to help you to choose the correct word.

1. an animal with a long neck _____ (giraffe/jiraffe)
2. another word for a plane _____ (get/jet)
3. a fruity/wobbly dessert _____ (gelly/jelly)
4. a building used for exercise _____ (gym/jym)
5. someone who rides a horse _____ (jockey/gockey)
6. a country in Europe _____ (Jermany/Germany)

C. Say the word. Fill in the missing letters.

scr   str   spr   spl

_ _ _ ap   _ _ _ nt   _ _ _ ape   _ _ _ inter   _ _ _ eech

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Friday

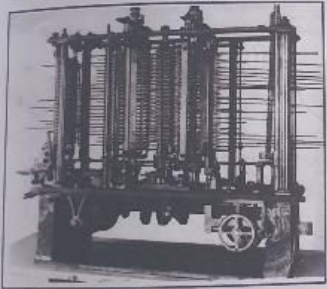Please rewrite the cloze procedure activity in your copy and fill in the missing words.

Who Made the First Computer?

noisy	changed	scientists	addition	million	build	dream
	electric-powered	English	invented	quieter	nicknamed	
	finish	metres	favourite	long	second	

More than 150 years ago, an _____ man named Charles Babbage began to _____ the first computer. However, he was not able to _____ his project. His _____ of building a computer had come too early. Some of the parts needed for his machine had not been _____ .

For many years, _____ studied Mr Babbage's plans and ideas. Then, in the early 1940s, an American man named Howard Aiken built the first modern _____-_____ computer. It was called 'Mark 1', but Mr Aiken _____ it 'Babbage's Dream Come True'.

Mark 1 was huge and _____. It was 13.7 metres _____, 2.4 _____ high, and had a _____ different parts. It could complete only two _____ problems per second.

Today's computers are much _____ and smaller than those early machines. They also work much faster. Some can do more than a million maths problems in a single _____! With computers you can play your _____ computer game, draw a picture, or learn maths facts. Computers have _____ our lives!

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