



## Junior Room: Children in Junior and Senior Infants

Dear Parents,

This is our Learning Guide for the week. Children may not get to do everything and that's ok. When we're in school, we have scheduled time each day for **Maths English and Irish** and three other curriculum areas: **Arts** (Visual arts, Drama and Music), **SESE** (History, Geography and Science) and **Wellbeing** (PE, Social Personal and Health Education and Goodness Me, Goodness You). While you're at home, you might try some activities in Maths, English and Irish each day and dip in to the other subjects as children wish.

On this sheet, the blue, underlined text is a hyperlink. It will take you to a web resource. Click it to go to the resource. If you have a question or you're a little confused or you wish to share your child's work, send me a message on the Class Dojo.

Happy learning!

Dawn

### MATHS: Time and Combining Numbers

- Days of the Week: Children can continue to practise the days of the week. Parents can use the [Days of the Week](#) song to support their children.
- Daily Routine: Children can record the different activities they do at different times of the day e.g. morning, afternoon, evening, night. Children can draw pictures or parents can take photographs.
- Clock: If parents wish, they can make their children aware of the clock. Children can spot clocks in the world around them. The game '[What time is it Mr. Wolf?](#)' will support children using the 'o'clock' vocabulary.
- Combining Numbers: Children can continue to practise this through play at home e.g. e.g. I have two red lego bricks and two green lego bricks. How many so I have all together?

### LANGUAGE: English

#### Reading

- The picture book for this week is [Lola Plants a Garden](#).

#### Oral Language

- Children to practise the rhyme "Mary, Mary quite contrary".

#### Writing

- Children can draw their favourite part of the story. Children can write words or sentences about this if they wish.
- Parents can help children create their own personal version of "Mary, Mary..." similar to Lola's at the end of the story.

#### Phonics

- Junior Infants to revise sounds /t/ and /s/. Children can go on a sound hunt in the house or garden for objects that can begin with this sound. Child can draw pictures of what they find. Parents can support children to read CVC words with these sounds e.g. sat, sit, ted, tap, ten, six, sad etc. Children can also write words with these sounds if they wish.
- Senior Infants to revise sounds /ch/ and /qu/. Children can go on a sound hunt in the house or garden for objects that can begin with this sound. Child can draw pictures of what they find. Parents can support children to read words



with these sounds e.g. queen, quick, quiz, chop, chat, rich etc. Children can also write words/sentences with these sounds.

#### LANGUAGE - Irish

- Bua na Cainte (the digital resource we use in school) can be accessed online and installed on PC/Mac for free as a result of the school closures. Click [here](#) for access. Select Junior Infants/Senior Infants when prompted. Username: trial Password: trial. Try to download it this week if you can. We are working on the unit "Éadaí" (Clothes) this week. Children can explore the songs, rhymes, games and story in this section.
- [Cúla4](#) has lots of familiar cartoons and games in Irish.

#### ARTS EDUCATION - Drawing/Collage

- Using Lola Plants a Garden as a stimulus, children can create their own flower garden. Children can use any resources they have available at home e.g. colouring pencils, markers, paints, coloured paper for cutting and sticking.

#### SESE: Science

- Using Lola Plants a Garden as a stimulus, children to observe how plants grow in the world around them. Parents can help children to identify different parts of the plant e.g. leaf, flower, stem, root. If you have flowers growing inside the house, children can observe how flowers grow towards the light/sun.

#### WELLBEING:

Choose from any of the following activities:

- [Go Noodle](#) family access.
- Joe Wicks, The Body Coach is covering PE at home this week on his [You Tube channel](#). Videos are live at 9am but also save to the channel for later use.
- [Active Homework Ideas](#)
- [10@10](#)
- [Cosmic Yoga](#)

#### PLAY:

Choose from different activities.

- Fine motor: jigsaw puzzles, lego, threading, colouring, cutting and sticking, playdough etc.
- Free Play: Children choose their own activities.
- Exercise/Outside Play: Activities outlined in the Wellbeing section can also be used here.
- Construction: Lego, bricks, etc.