

27<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2020.



## English

- Practice writing tricky words- cursive writing only
- Putting tricky words into sentences orally or written.
- Continue reading tricky words.
- Continue to read together at home.
- In school we briefly revise all letter sounds daily. I have attached a video with all of the letter sounds to the class page above.
- We then focus on a letter group, for approximately 3-4 weeks, Please continue to revise some specific letters daily (you can choose yourself based on your own daughter how many letters to revise in detail 1-3 a week would be ideal)- Focus again this week on **r, u, n, b, w, f, j.**
  - Click on - <https://slp.cjfallon.ie>
  - Click on book A
  - Revise unit 2 – There are plenty of games on here to revise sounds . Please do **not** use the formation section of this website as we do not write like this in school.
- Continue to practice writing name daily in cursive writing only- please email me if you would like me to write out your daughter's name in cursive format.

**To answer some questions on how we usually approach writing letters in the classroom, I've written it out below 😊**

- When practicing writing letters we usually demonstrate writing one big version of the letter using highlighter.

In school we highlight:

- When drawing cursive letters, the pen/pencil does not lift off the page for the duration of the letter being written.
- All cursive letters begin with a diagonal line, in an upwards motion, starting on the line that the letter is being written.
- Discuss the letter- 'What other letters or shapes can you see in this letter?' I will attach a PDF to the class page highlighting the connections children often make

between letters. This gives children confidence learning to write a new letter when they feel that they already know how to write part of the letter.

- The next step would then be for your daughter to trace bigger version of the highlighted letter written by an adult in multiple colours. This is called rainbow channelling – only changing colours after successfully tracing the full letter.
- Trace smaller highlighted letters
- Write letters free-handed while looking at video of letter being written/looking at sample letter already written
- Look, cover, write, check : Look at the sample letter, cover it, write it, check it.
- Finally: Write letter in response to the letters name/ sound, without looking at any sample. (This is practiced all through Senior Infants too, so don't worry if the girls aren't at this point yet.)



### Irish

- Please continue to watch one program a day on TG4/ Cúla4 to ensure the girls are listening to Irish daily- <https://www.cula4.com/en/>



### Maths

- Counting- Chose 2-3 maths activities from the PDF on the class page.
- Planet Maths Book- pages 34-36





### Science

This week we will learn all about the honeybee. There is a section added to the class page with a PDF all about Honeybees and three videos too.

To reinforce all of this information, re-reading the PDF and watching the videos will help a lot.



### Art

- How to Draw a bee- a video is on our class page.



### Physical Education- Please choose at least one a day 😊

- <https://www.gonoodle.com> - GoNoodle is a great free resource full of indoor workouts, dances & yoga, which are accompanied by animations or dancers.

Or / And

- 10@10 on RTEjr online- These are fun exercise videos (there is also an option to do them through Irish which is a fun way of getting some Irish into the day)- <https://rtejr.rte.ie/10at10/>

Or / And

- Cosmic kids yoga- this is another free website with a lot of different child friendly yoga lessons. The girls really enjoy this in school. <https://www.cosmickids.com/category/watch/>



