**Work for home 6/5/20 – 8/5/20**

Hello girls!

I hope you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and were able to spend some time out in the sunshine! Thank you all so much for your participation in Active Home Week last week, it was great to see everyone getting out and keeping fit!   
As I’m sure you all know at this stage, we will not be returning to school before the end of the school year. It’s disappointing that we won’t be able to see each other again before September, but this is what has to be done to keep everyone safe and healthy. I know some of you might be feeling upset or nervous about not getting to say goodbye to St. John of God before beginning secondary school, but please don’t worry. Your graduation will be postponed until it is safe to celebrate all together, and you will always be welcome at St John of God to come back for visits.  
If you have any questions about starting secondary school, or anything else that is worrying you, just email me and I will do my very best to help you.

Have a great week!  
Ms O’Riordan

**Spellings:**

My Spelling Workbook – Unit 14 pages 54, 55 (anticipate – decompose)

Dictation –

1. Ghastly
2. Nasty
3. Raspberry
4. Purr
5. Egg
6. Odd
7. Population
8. Vaccination
9. Information
10. Description
11. Pension

* Complete the wordsearch at the bottom of this document.
* Find dictionary definitions for each of your spelling words and write these definitions in your dictation copy.
* Write 11 sentences, one for each spelling word. Your sentences should show me that you understand the meaning of the word.

**Seanfhocail na seachtaine:**

“Beart gan leigheas, foighne is fearr dó” *– Patience is the best thing for an incurable situation.* This means that if nothing can be done to make a situation better, the best thing to do is be patient.

Tarraing pictiúr den sheanfhocal i do chóipleabhar.

**Wednesday:**

* Word of the day – Patience
* Number of the day – 8,602,445.25
* English – I’ve attached a sample of explanation writing on the website. Underline any features that you think are an important part of explanation writing. Could this piece of writing be improved? How? In one sentence, what is the purpose of explanation writing?
* Maths – Timetables can sometimes be difficult to read quickly. Something I used to do to make it easier to read was assign each subject a colour, and use those colours to fill in my timetable. That way, it is easy to see at a glance what subject you have next. Try this out on the sample timetable attached as a file on the website. Answer the questions beneath the timetable in your Maths copy.
* Geography – Create a KWL chart about Africa. Choose a country in Africa to research. Today I would like you to focus on researching the **physical features** of this country, e.g. rivers, mountains, weather, landmarks, cities. There is a list of countries to choose from in this link. <https://www.ducksters.com/geography/africa.php>

**Thursday:**

* Word of the day – Virtue
* Number of the day – 90,513 2/10
* English – Scanning involves reading quickly through a piece of text and picking out the important information from it. Scan through Chapter 18 of War Horse and make a prediction for the next chapter based on the information you found from scanning. Re-read chapter 18, this time paying attention to the details in the chapter.
* Gaeilge – Tarraing pictiúr den sheomra ranga agus cur lipéidí (labels) air.
* Maths – Choose 2 new games to play on mathsplayground.com (not countdown!).
* Geography – I’d like you to continue your research on the African country you chose, but today you can focus on what everyday life is like for a person in that country. You don’t have to go into extreme detail, just some information about the food they might eat, the clothes they might wear, the languages they could speak and the money they use. Just bullet points for this information, 1 or 2 words per point.
* Art – In South Africa, some people descended from the Ndebele tribe paint their houses in colourful patterns. I’ve included some pictures in a file on the website. This began as a form of communication between members of this tribe and now is a traditional way to paint houses within this community. Design your own Ndebele home, using lots of bright, vibrant colours.

**Friday:**

* Word of the day – Characteristic
* Number of the day – 723,008.80
* English – Read through the sample explanation text labelled ‘Friday explanation text’. Separate the text into different parts, labelling each part e.g. Title, method, summary.
* Gaeilge – Déan cur síos ar do sheomra ranga. Cén dath ar na mballaí? Cé mhéad fuinneoga ann? Cá bhfuil bord an mhúinteora?
* Maths – Watch RTÉ Home School Hub. Múinteoir Clíona will be looking at distance, speed at time today. This is something most people found tricky earlier in the year so revising it could be helpful!
* Geography – The Olympic committee is considering your country for the next Olympic Games. Create a poster showcasing the major features of your country to show to the committee, with the aim of convincing the committee to hold the Olympic Games in your country.
* PE – This link is to a Boxercise class. This has been one of my favourite ways to keep fit during our time at home, you need no equipment, just some space and the video! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sgwtp9mF8tI>

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DESCRIPTION

EGG

GHASTLY

INFORMATION

NASTY

ODD

PENSION

POPULATION

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RASPBERRY

VACCINATION