

St Joseph's Primary School

Primary Three Curriculum Meeting

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Aims

Purpose of meeting

- General information
- To give an overview of the Curriculum that your child will be following in P3.
- To provide an overview of the topics and activities that your child will be experiencing and learning about this year (Learning Plan)



Our Topics

All About Me/The
Senses

Toys

Weather

Materials

Animals

Reading

- Striving to develop a child's interest in reading.
- Shared Reading - big books, e-books
- Guided Reading –
 - ORT, Simple Novels, Fire Flies
 - Reading Log
- Independent Reading – Variety of genre
- Dictionary Work – important to develop children's vocabulary
- Developing comprehension skills and answering in full sentences.
- Punctuation and Grammar related to topics.



Writing

- Variety of forms studied – Cross Curricular
 - Procedural Report Narrative Explanation
 - Recount Exposition Poetry
- Punctuation
- Handwriting - on lines
- Spelling - Complete Spelling Programme , definitions

Focus

Independent writing and a mixture between “phonetically plausible” and correct spelling.

Letter shape, size and formation.



Numeracy

- Lots of practical activity and use of IWB (cubes, counters, shapes etc)
- ✓ More emphasis on building up visual knowledge of 30 array, 50 array, 100 square e.g. add 10 and multiples of 10, number before and after etc
- ✓ Ability to make connections and discuss different ways of solving calculations
- Number
- ✓ Consolidate of Number Stories to 20
- ✓ Place Value to 100
- ✓ Addition and Subtraction within 100 using partitioning
- ✓ Money – finding the total and giving change within £1

Numeracy (Continued)

- Multiplication in Term 3 (2, 5 and 10 times tables and explore the link with division)
- Measures, Handling Data, Shape and Space
- Mathseeds programme
- Problem Solving and Investigations – developing the language of maths (applying knowledge)

Word Problems

- Faced with the problem, 'There are 26 sheep and 10 goats on a boat, how old is the captain?' almost 75% of children aged 7-9 performed an arithmetical operation and gave answers such as 36 without expressing any doubt!
(Puchalska and Semademi 1987)



R

READ

READ the question carefully.
What is the important information?

U

UNDERSTAND

UNDERSTAND the question.
What do you have to find out?

C

CHOOSE

CHOOSE the right operation and method of calculation?

S

SOLVE

SOLVE the problem.
Make sure you follow all the steps.

A

ANSWER

ANSWER the question. Have you found out what you were supposed to find out?

C

CHECK

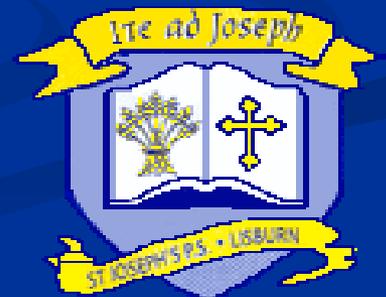
CHECK the answer. If possible, use the inverse to check your working out.

Mental Maths

- Focus on using a wide range of 5 minute warm up activities, e.g. counting stick, show me cards, squashy boxes, follow me cards, bingo, IWB games etc.
- **7 mental arithmetic strategies (5 for P3)**
 - Counting on and back
 - Rounding and adjusting
 - Partitioning
 - Re-ordering
 - Inverse Operations
- Mental Maths homework sent home every week

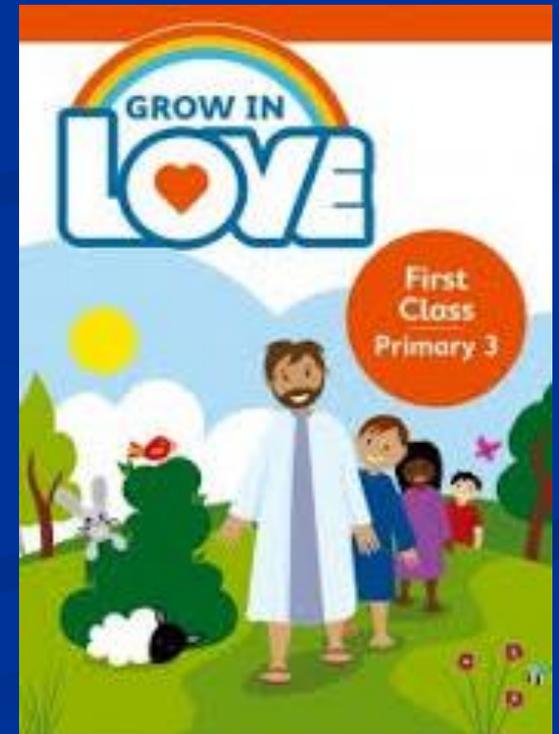
ICT

- Cross Curricular skills UICT
- Integrated into all Curriculum areas.
- 5 E's - Explore, Express, Exchange, Evaluate, Exhibit
- iPads , Apple TV and Wifi will allow improved curriculum integration and enhance teaching and learning.
- Coding - MineCraft, BeeBots etc.
- Internet Safety – see school website
- SeeSaw



Religion

- Grow in Love
 - 10 Themes plus Seasonal Unit.
 - Online resources – videos , music, stories, worksheets
- First Confession
- Baptism lines
- Learn prayers in preparation
- Visit the Church, go to Mass



Pastoral Care

- Contact class teacher if there are any issues or concerns
- We want your children to feel safe and happy at all times.



Homework

- Aim - Consolidate and reinforce the learning skills and knowledge that has gone on in school.
- Weekly – the same as P2
- Literacy, Numeracy, ICT, WAU, Religion
- Reading Book
- Nightly spellings
- Weekly mental maths focus
- Spelling test/mental maths test every Friday
- Please check and sign.



P.E Day

- PE Tuesday – Healthy Kids all year
- Term 2:Tennis in the Dome in Wallace Park
- Term 3: Athletics

Children should only wear their PE gear on designated PE days.



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Thank you