READING:

The children will take home/have access to a wide variety of reading books (Sounds Write, Rigby Star and Big Cat) for enjoyment, development of comprehension and to build up their word vocabulary - through repetition, using a phonic approach and in shared reading with parents. This approach complements classroom practice.

Last term your child received a password for an online reading book resource called Bug Club. This will give increased access to a vast range of books - www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

All children will receive a reading book which best suits their readiness to read.

We value your support with the shared reading at home to date. Please continue to do this.

- read the title together,
- look at the front cover/illustration discuss
- question your child on the story,
- if your child gets stuck on a word, ask them to check the picture - then ask them to look at the first letter of the word and attempt to say the sound it makes.

Remember: Give your child lots of praise!

A Paired Reading programme for Primary 3 and 4 will be organised later in the term.

ENNISKILLEN MODEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Date: Term 2, 2024/2025 Primary: 2, 3 and 4

Thank you for supporting our 'Christmas Fair' at the end of term. This P.T.A. initiative has generated some £1,800 for school funds — a tremendous help given the current financial climate. This amount will be a huge bonus moving forward and is very much appreciated. W. Glass

Core areas of the curriculum to be covered this term.

Pupils will work at their own level for all activities.

Literacy

<u>Reading</u> – see back for details. Continuous revision of new words and sounds is essential.

Phonological Awareness

- syllable clapping
- listen to and recite lots of nursery rhymes
- rhyme/rhyming stories
- 'I spy' games with initial sounds/blends
- We will revise the sounds covered so far s, a, m, t, I, p, o, h, b and c. We will introduce the following sounds g, f, d, e, v, k, I, r, u, j and w
- Work on segmenting and blending sounds to make words

<u>Comprehension</u> – Activities related to reading books and stories/poems read in class. Answering in full sentences, sequencing and cloze procedure.

<u>Grammar</u> - Introduction to nouns, plurals, using commas, and conjunctions

<u>Creative Writing</u> which comes after much discussion in class. Topics include:

Winter Stories and Poems, Personal News, My Favourite Clothes

Children will write sentences as independently as possible, given support for spelling words.

Numeracy

Following the New Heinemann Scheme and the School's Mental Mathematics Scheme.

Areas to be covered this term -

- Counting to 20/100/1000
- Addition to 10/20/100
- Subtraction within 10/20/100
- 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 x tables (for quick recall)
- Multiplying a 2- digit number
- Concept of division
- Dividing by 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 (for quick recall)
- Length and Measure
- Time o'clock and half past, quarter to and quarter past.

The Primary 2 children will hopefully be involved in a 'Paired Mathematics' Scheme later in the term – details to follow.

Topics to be covered in The World Around Us:

- Winter
- Hot and Cold
- In the Garden

Comparison of hot and cold countries e.g. clothes and homes, maps, weather symbols.

Our In the Garden topic will start in and around Easter.

- P4 will follow the topics of 'School's Cool!' and 'Whatever the Weather' looking at, for example, my school/schools in the past – Victorian schools, Weather around the World

Personal Development

Paths Programme to be followed

Mutual Understanding in the Local Community – 'Where I Live'

Thank you

P Hurst