

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 great 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!

ENNISKILLEN MODEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Date: Term 2, 2024/2025

PRIMARY TWO

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.

Literacy

Reading – see back for details.

Continuous revision of new words and sounds is essential.

Phonological Awareness – We are following the Sounds Write programme. An outline of what is to be covered was sent home last term.

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

Creative Writing which comes after much discussion in class. Topics include:

Winter Stories and Poems }
Personal News } writing simple sentences independently and
My Favourite Clothes } using word books for support
Space }

Numeracy

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

Areas to be covered this term –

Counting to 20

Addition to 10

Subtraction to 10

Length and Measure revision

Time – o'clock and half past

The 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:

- **Space**
- **Hot and Cold/Space & In the Garden**

Comparison of hot and cold countries e.g. clothes and homes, maps, weather symbols, incorporating planets & space etc.

A trip to Armagh Planetarium has been scheduled for February, 28th – details will follow closer to the time.

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

Personal Development

*Paths Programme to be followed which covers a variety of themes
Mutual Understanding in the Local Community – 'Where I Live'
Jenny Mosley – Circle Time activities*

WE WILL BE USING OUR GOOGLE CLASSROOM FACILITY A LOT – PLEASE CHECK REGULARLY.

Thank you,

R Breen and S Griffith