

Dear Parents,

Nearly there!! We are still concentrating on core subjects and have given options on fun activities. The baking challenge continues and we would hope that as many of you as possible would get involved. This is the second last plan, we are mindful that concentration levels are low and interest is waning, just do your best!

### **Phonics:**

#### **Revision**

Day 1: <https://slp.cjfallon.ie/> Unit 3 – Revision Tab. Work through interactive activities. Sounds Like Phonics activity book page 77

Day 2 Sounds Like Phonics activity book page 78

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### **Literacy:**

#### **Language development**

- Continue to explore the Poster 16 The Airport  
[https://content.folensonline.ie/programmes/Starlight/JI/resources/posters/SL\\_JI\\_ACT\\_CH16\\_005/index.html](https://content.folensonline.ie/programmes/Starlight/JI/resources/posters/SL_JI_ACT_CH16_005/index.html)  
Listen to Story 1, answer the questions, sorting activity.
- Listen to the poem from ‘At the Airport’ poster called ‘Taking Off’

*The Airplane taxis down the field  
And heads into the breeze,  
It lifts its wheels above the ground,  
It skims above the trees,  
It rises higher and higher  
Away up toward the sun,  
It's just a speck against the sky  
And now it's gone!*

Focus on rhyming words, pick out words that start with certain sounds, talk about airplanes, going on holidays, the sky, etc.

- Continue use of word bag to make sentences, **New words this week: his/her. Add into wordbag. Practice making sentences (orally or write sentences in Reading copy )– Kate can see her dog. Jack looks in his bag,etc.**
- Keep up the reading, focusing on Tricky words, rhyming words, identify the sounds, make predictions, talk about the characters, etc.

#### Shared Reading books:

- Continue to read ‘Big Cat’ books online and move up to other levels if you wish.
- Short phonic stories are available on Starfall <https://www.starfall.com/h/ltr-classic/>

#### Reading Activity:

Core Reader 4 ‘Up up and away!’

[https://content.folensonline.ie/programmes/Starlight/JI/resources/corereaders/SL\\_JI\\_ACT\\_CH16\\_03/index.html](https://content.folensonline.ie/programmes/Starlight/JI/resources/corereaders/SL_JI_ACT_CH16_03/index.html)

Some of these words might be unfamiliar to your child, but let them pick out/read the words they do know. Practice words before reading using the ‘new words’ and ‘sight word activity’ on starlight website. Talk about the pictures, look at inside cover for ideas on how to develop story comprehension.

#### Handwriting:

Ready Steady Write A workbook pages 44, 46 and 47.

If your child would like an extra challenge – try the crossword on page 45.

#### Maths:

##### **Topic: Data**

- Using your own toys; blocks/cars/tea sets, etc., sort, count and stack the items. Ask focus questions about the objects – which has more/less/the most/the least, how many blue cars, how many blue and yellow cars, etc.
- Complete pages 62 – 65 in Operation Maths workbook and ask similar questions about the bears/sweets.

***\*There are a number of concepts and themes in the Junior Infant Maths curriculum that we did not get to in class. We would not have done any formal work on combining/partitioning number. We would have worked on these concepts with concrete materials and orally but would not have anything done on formal recording. The last few pages in the book have an amount of work on this but my advice would be to leave this and not complete it, these concepts will be covered in Senior Infants.\****

#### Gaeilge:

##### **Theme: An Phicnic (for 2 weeks)**

- Listen to the words and phrases; ciseán, ceapaire, milseán, uachtar reoite, seacláid, uisce, sú oráiste, ocras, tart, ag ithe, ag ól, Tá ocras/tart orm. Tá mé ag ithe \_\_\_\_\_. Tá mé ag ól \_\_\_\_\_.

<https://www.folensonline.ie/home/library/programmes/abair-liom-junior-infants/resources/>

- Engage in online interactive activities to practice words and phrases, listen to Dán/Amhrán.

### **SESE/Fun Activities**

#### **1. Baking Challenge. (ongoing for 2 weeks)**

We would love if as many of you as possible could participate in this. The idea is that you send us a recipe and picture of the finished product of something that you have baked/cooked. Any recipe sweet/savoury/big/small/short/long will do and we will compile all the recipes to make a little booklet so you can try out different ones. We are really looking forward to seeing your creations and trying them out ourselves too!

#### **2. Spring Clean**

Next week is 'National Spring Clean' week. As part of our Green School Flag, normally at school we would have tidied up the school grounds. We ask that instead you engage in some tidying activities in your local environment; at home, when out for walks if you see some rubbish, etc. Some other ideas can be found at this link <https://twitter.com/NationalSpringC> Múinteoir David is our green school co-ordinator and he would love if you could take some photos of your 'Spring Clean' and email them to us.

#### **3. Magnets**

Continue to explore magnets at home/outside. See what materials they attract/don't attract, why/why not. In Fun copy, draw 3 things magnets attract that you have discovered.

#### **4. Art and Craft**

Create a frame like the picture below, any shape you wish, and hold up the frame to lots of things outside (flowers, trees, leaves, etc.) and take some photos.



#### **5. Nature scavenger hunt**

In your garden, or on your walks, see if you can find items of different colours. You do not have to create anything fancy like this picture, it's only to give an idea of what to do.



**Music:**

Listen to the summer song 'Mr Golden Sun'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hlzvrEfyL2Y>

**PE:**

Next week we will be organising 'Sports week' and there will be a virtual sports day! This week, try practice for the Sports Day by practicing the Egg and Spoon Race, Sack Race, and Wheelbarrow Race. We will give ye more information next week.

Thanks again for all your hard work and participation to date.

Kind Regards,  
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