

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

Welcome to Saint Patrick's Class! This year has started like no other year, however I have been blown away by the children's maturity, adaptability and hard work already. Every child has pushed themselves to **be the best they can be**, and I know this will continue for the rest of the year.

As you already know, I will be the year 3 class teacher, but I am also delighted to have Miss Busby in the classroom too. Together we look forward to helping inspire your child to **REACH** through **Faith, Hope and Love**.

Our first term's topic is '**Planet Earth**'. We will be looking carefully at different plants and conducting experiments to understand a plants requirement for life and growth.

Below are a few key reminders which parents need to know on a day to day basis:

- Saint Patrick's **homework** will be set on a **Friday**, this will include:
 - Spellings (green book) – these will need to be worked upon at home ready for a test every Thursday.
 - Literacy or Maths based work.

This all needs to be completed and handed back in by the following Wednesday.

- **PE** will take place on a Friday morning. Please ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit each Friday. This includes trainers, house colour top and navy shorts or black/navy tracksuit bottoms.
- **Reading at home** is really important. Please can all children within Saint Patrick's class read 5 times per week to an adult outside of school. You are able to document this in the children's yellow reading diaries, both myself and Miss Busby will check (Monday-Monday) and any children fulfilling this task will be rewarded with a point towards their reading award.

As you are aware, we spend a lot of our time washing our hands at the moment. If you are able to send your child into school with their name on a bottle of their own, that will really help to increase our learning time.

I feel privileged to spend my first year as a teacher with your lovely children and cannot wait for the exciting year ahead. Please do not hesitate to contact me throughout the year (at present this involves emailing/calling the office).

Kind regards,

Mrs Lynham

Numeracy

Numbers and Place Value

Geometry: Properties of shape

Literacy

Traditional tales- Fairy tales

Focus: looking at character

Poetry

Building our vocabulary

Non-Chronological Reports:

Focus: plants and their habitats

RE - Creation

- exploring the story of Jonah
- understanding what it means to be a Prophet
- Recognise how important our name is and how we are called by name at baptism

PLANET EARTH



French

Numbers 0-10

Greetings

Colours

Saint Patrick's Class

Topic Web

Autumn Term 1

Theme Related Planet Earth

When acting as scientists, we will be:

- Exploring the requirements of plants for life and growth
- Investigating how water is transported within plants

As geographers, we will be:

- Exploring maps, atlases and globes to locate countries
- Looking at physical and human characteristics of locations

