

First Class 15th-17th June

Dear Parents/Guardians and children.

Please find below the next batch of work for the coming week. We have decided to stop written work on Wednesday.

Daily Tasks

Spellbound: Week 35. One revision exercise per day. It's fine to do Exercise 4 instead of one of the others!

Just Handwriting: One page per day.

Work for the week

Word Wise: Unit 18. Pages 70+71.

Two Little Frogs: Unit 13. Pages 52+53.

Planet Maths: Time to skip ahead to adding with renaming. It's an important topic in first class maths. The children have done sums like on Page 138 in Maths Time recently and I'm not a fan of the way Page 139 is laid out with all the words. So, straight onto page 140 and the sums themselves like part B number 1.

- **DO THE UNITS FIRST CHILDREN!** They were blue in the face hearing this from me at school but this is the reason why.
- Adding the units first you get 12. You can't have a ten in the unit place so how do we fix the problem?
- The children have to 'carry' the ten from the unit place up beside the other tens in the sum. It's the little 1 in the red print. Always write in the ten you carried so you don't forget about it!
- The 2 units from the 12 can go in the unit answer space.
- Now add up the tens. 3 plus 2 PLUS THE ONE TEN YOU CARRIED gives 6 and the complete answer is 62.
- If you start with the tens first you will get an answer of 512.
- Remember you only carry tens IF YOU NEED TO. You've done loads of similar adding sums and you didn't need to carry any tens because the unit answer was never more than 9 before now so there were no tens trying to sneak into the unit place!

The children can do Page 140 Part B, Page 141 Part A and Page 142 Part B. They don't have to do them all if it's a struggle. If they can do 5 correctly they could probably do 25 correctly.

Bua na Cainte: The children can finish the Special Occasions pages at the end of the book. Pages 91-94.

Window on the World: Shadows Pages 86+87. The Lady with the Lamp Pages 88+89.

Grow in Love: God's Creation Pages 50+51.

I repeat again what I said about each household doing what suits you and your circumstances the best. Some may have parts of the work completed already and that's fine. As said before, use your judgement to decide on the amount to complete either way to suit your circumstances.

Kind regards and stay safe everyone,
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