

**Mathletics**

Children are encouraged to use their individual log ins to play Mathletics at home to reach their weekly target of 1000 points. Mathletics can be accessed on desktop computers or tablets. Children can also access Mathletics each morning prior to the beginning of the school day in the school library.

**Money**

We have been learning how to calculate the total cost of multiple items and working out change from up to £5. Please give your child lots of practice at using real money at home.

**Weather Watchers**

Talk to your child about the weather and try to watch the weather forecast on TV daily. Discuss the weather in Ireland and elsewhere in Europe and how it is different. Look for books in the library about weather, clouds and volcanoes.

**School Photographer**

The school photographer will visit the school on Monday 4th February.

**Homework**

Please ensure your child’s written homework and Homework Diary is signed each night. Encourage your child to *read to an adult* and *discuss the content of the book*. *Practise mental maths and spellings each night in preparation for Friday’s tests.*

**Paired Reading**

Each child is encouraged to take part in the Paired Reading Programme. Please see Miss O’ Doherty or Miss McIntyre for more details.

**‘Do This In Memory’ Programme**

The next ‘Do This in Memory’ Mass is on 27th January in Our Lady of Lourdes, Steelstown. We have had great attendance so far so please make every effort to attend. 27th January marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week and the school choir will be singing at this Mass. Please also try to fill in relevant THUMBs book pages for each Mass with your child as preparation for First Confession and First Holy Communion later this year.

**Time**

Keep encouraging your child to tell the time at home using both analogue and digital clocks. Please encourage your child to work out durations of time using 5 minute intervals as much as possible.

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