Steelstown Primary School Parents' Newsletter

Dear Parents,

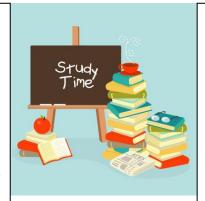
On behalf of the Primary Six Teachers Mr Morris and Mrs Mc Glinchey we welcome your child to Primary Six. We know it has been a difficult year and we will work together to ensure your child settles into the new routine. We hope that they have a great year and we look forward to working with you all.

Homework

The purpose of Homework is to consolidate and develop the children's ability to work independently. At the moment we are not sending home any written homework tasks. We ask the pupils to spend at least 20 minutes on Mathletics and reading a novel for their Accelerated Reader. We would also encourage pupils to take this opportunity to rote learn their tables for quick mental recall.

Reading

Reading is a core skill and should be encouraged at every opportunity. Pupils will be provided with a class reading book/novel. They will also be given the opportunity to use the class/school library. We would encourage you to avail of the local library facility as a wide variety of books are available that pupils can use to complete Accelerated Reader tasks to gain points. AR quizzes can be completed at home.



Numeracy

This month we would encourage pupils to....

- Rote learn set tables
- Revise place value
- Learn how to accurately measure using km, m, cm and mm.
- Construct and interpret graphs

September in Year 6

Rules/ Housekeeping

It is an important expectation that:

- Full uniform is worn at all times
- Pupils are punctual in the morning (9.00a.m.). This is important as a lot of classroom routines such as homework and dinner numbers are carried out at 9.05 promptly.
- No jewellery is worn
- Mobile phones are left at home

P.E

Children need to bring their P.E. gear in on a Friday.

The P.E. kit is a yellow polo shirt, navy tracksuit bottoms or shorts (no leggings) and a pair of trainers.

Pupils can use the polo shirt out of their uniform but will change into bottoms and trainers in school.

Pupils have to wear their full school uniform on days they have P.E.

P.E is on Friday this term and it begins with Gaelic.

Equipment

Thank you for supplying your child with essential equipment. Could you please provide your child with a Collin's/Oxford Dictionary and a box of tissues.

Breaktime

It is important that your child brings a healthy break to school as from breakfast to lunch is a long time to go without something to eat. Please be mindful that Steelstown PS is a nut, egg and kiwi free zone. Your child is not allowed to bring in any foods containing peanuts including Nutella and Peanut Butter.

Also it is advised that pupils keep hydrated by bringing <u>water</u> to school.