

## Junior and Senior Infants

Reading	Writing	Maths	Other Areas
<p><b>Junior Infants:</b> Junior infants have 'The lost Ball' in their homework folders. Each week the pupils can try 4 new pages. Firstly, they need to look at the new words from these pages (at the back of the book). In order to help the pupils learn these words you could encourage writing them into a copy and drawing a picture to match. Try and re-visit these words as often as possible before reading.</p> <p><b>Senior Infants:</b> Senior Infants have 'Stop That Dog' in their homework folders. Each week the pupils can try 4 new pages. Firstly, they need to look at the new words from these pages (at the back of the book). In order to help the pupils learn these words you could encourage writing them into a copy and drawing a picture to match. Try and re-visit these words as often as possible before reading.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The most important thing you can do is encourage children to look at books and listen to lots of stories.</li> </ul> <p><i>Suggestions</i> for online reading activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk">www.oxfordowl.co.uk</a></li> </ul>	<p><b>Junior Infants:</b> This week we will concentrate on writing <b>t</b> and <b>i</b>. Pupils can use lots of different materials to practice these letters. For example. Play dough, trace in the sand, write on a whiteboard, and write with a pencil.</p> <p><b>Senior Infants:</b> Senior infants should be able to write 3\4 sentences on each suggested topic. It is not necessary to spell the words for them. Encourage them to sound them out. It doesn't matter if they spell them wrong. It is more important that they are writing!</p> <p>Suggested topics for this week:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•My News (children are familiar with this format from school)</li> </ul> <p>Today is _____ (Monday) It is _____ (sunny/cloudy etc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•My Favourite Foods</li> </ul> <p>Suggestions for online writing activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Jolly phonics app</li> </ul> <p><b>Phonics</b></p> <p>This week we will concentrate on the letters <b>t</b> and <b>i</b>. Encourage the pupils to think of lots of things starting with these sounds. Maybe even try a sound hunt. Pupils could find things all around them starting</p>	<p><b>Junior Infants</b> should know their numbers 1-10. Pupils need continuous practice writing and counting within 1 -10. If they are competent counting forwards try counting backwards and from random points. This can be practiced regularly.</p> <p><b>Senior Infants</b> should know their numbers 1-20. Pupils need continuous practice writing and counting within 1 -20. If they are competent counting forwards try counting backwards and from random points. This can be practiced regularly.</p> <p><b>Other activities:</b></p> <p>Shapes (2D for J.I - circle, square, rectangle, etc 3D for S.I – cylinder, cone, cube etc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children could go on a shape hunt and find shapes in the house or garden.</li> <li>• Dice Addition</li> <li>• Write out sums(within 10 for JI, 20 for SI)</li> </ul>	<p><b>P.E. Ideas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play outside as much as possible ( everything else is just a suggestion)</li> <li>• Set up your own Obstacle course and time yourself – try and beat your best time!</li> <li>• Dance to some music</li> <li>• 10 @10 on RTEjnr player</li> <li>• Hide something and make a treasure map( Easter Hunt)</li> </ul> <p><b>Art:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw or paint a Shape picture/Shape robot</li> <li>• Junk art - Paint some recyclables (egg cartons/cardboard boxes)</li> <li>• Draw your school/classroom</li> <li>• Draw your friends</li> <li>• Design an Easter Card</li> <li>• Build with Lego/Blocks (a rocket, a hotel, a zoo)</li> </ul> <p><b>S.E.S.E.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weather – Draw a weather chart for the week, record the weather</li> </ul>

- Storyline online
- borrowbox

with **t** and then draw them onto a page. They could then do the same for the letter **i**.

*Suggestions* for online Phonics activities:

- Jolly phonics app
- Teach your monster to read
- Slp.cjfallon.ie

- Make/continue patterns using Lego etc.
- Play card games(snap, go fish etc)
- Sort everyday household objects (cutlery/socks into pairs)

daily (words and pictures) and discuss

**Aistear:**

As you're aware children in school learn much of the curriculum through play. Children are usually extremely good at this and won't need much help. However, each week we will offer a suggestion of different role play/pretend play they can try. This week is 'The Restaurant'.