



How is everyone? I hope you are all happy, safe and well. Another week gone by in a flash, and another week of hard work and learning done by all of you amazing girls. The weather has been good so fingers crossed the sun stays out for as long as possible so that we can add more active fun to our days at home.

An update from me is that I am keeping well, I am keeping busy at home – I have a lot of painting done around the house and I even painted the wall outside too, I was very proud of myself! ...it was my birthday on Saturday -and I was spoiled by everyone. I am a very lucky girl to have such kind friends and family. It was a different type of birthday this year with everything that's going on at the moment – it was hard that I could not give anyone a hug when they delivered me a present, and I couldn't have a party or go anywhere far, I also had to see visitors from a distance, and the saddest part of all was that I couldn't see any of you girls- BUT I ate lots of cake, watched a lovely movie with my family, went on face time with my friends and had lots of phone calls from loved ones – So overall it was GREAT! Ashton got me a gorgeous silver chain in the shape of a heart with my birthstone on it – which engraved 'I love you' – guess what Miss Murphy did?.....yes you're right – CRIED! I miss him SO MUCH and I can't wait to be able to give him a big kiss and cuddle!

I know lots of you must feel the same, missing grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends just keep reminding yourself that we are doing this – so that everyone keeps safe and well. We are following the rules and restrictions that are so important! I am making sure I am washing my hands thoroughly and that if I do go out for a walk or to the supermarket that I keep my distance of 2 metres away from people. I can only imagine how taller and grown up you are all getting, how long your hairs must be growing- some of you could even be as tall as me now! I just miss you all so much! Let me know all your news, send me an email – I always love to hear from ye even if it's a " HI" , or "guess what" – Im here for you all. I hope the work is going well. Thank you to all the people sending me their FANTASTIC work, keep it up!!

This week you only have a 4 day week so the plan is from Mon – Thurs.. the following week will only be a 3 day plan – Wed –Fri as you would have had days off for the bank holiday! Wuhoooooo!

AND – HAPPPPPPPYYYYY BIRTHDAY Summer! Lots of love from all your class and Miss Murphy! Eat lots of cake and enjoy your special day as best you can!!

That's it from me girls for this week. Keep the positivity going, we are doing a great job we just have to keep going as we are for now!

I hope everyone had a chance to read and learn about 'explorers' on the History Home pack.

Last week I also sent a wellbeing Journal – For some SPHE lessons I will ask you to focus on specific lessons from the pack each week so keep an eye out for that.

You also have the isolation work pack to be working from and the May writing prompt calendar – So there is loadsssssss of work to keep you busy on days where you might be 'BORED' --- are you ever bored enough to do SCHOOL WORK ??– Probably not .. but it is there if you want it – So parents/guardians the next time you hear the girls complaining of being bored – you know what to say ..haha!

No such thing as being bored when you have a house full of loved ones, a great imagination and some energy – there is always something to do! I know none of you would complain about being bored – there is too much fun to be had – you all love having fun!

Love always

Miss Murphy <3

P.s – Thinking of all the 6th class girls I know some of you have sisters that would have made their Confirmation last Saturday. I hope you all had a great day and marked the occasion with your loved ones from home.



English

Okay girls, I hope you enjoyed the theme of 'Television' from last week, speaking about your favourite movies and tv programmes, recognising some famous faces from our screens.

This week I have decided to pick the theme of 'The Zoo' and 'animals' I figured we can't go anywhere really fun like the Zoo so I'll bring the fun to you!

Mon:

I have attached a powerpoint for this week... Today I want you to read the power point X2- X3 times.

Dictionary work: Please look up the following words and write out the meanings:

- amphibian
- herbivore
- marsupial

Pick **3 animals** from the power point – write out the facts mentioned about them into your copy.

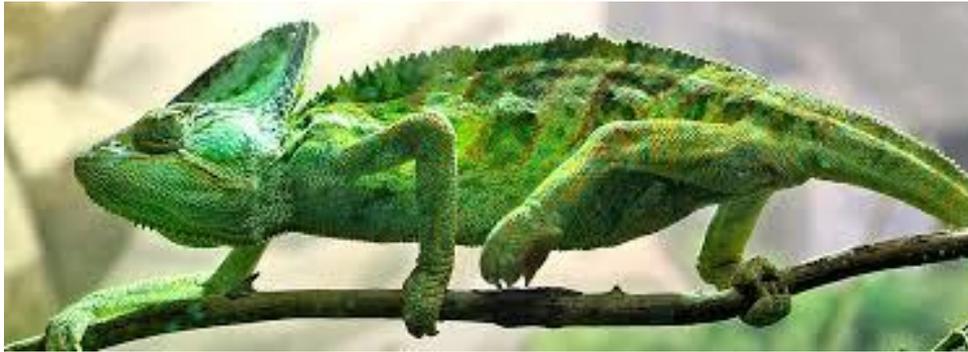
Tuesday (Reading)

Survival in the Wild

Plants and animals have the hard job of surviving in a very wild world. How do they do it? There are many ways plants and animals have adapted in order to survive. Camouflage is one way animals adapt to survive.

For some animals, this means that their fur, scales, or skin are a similar colour to the land around them. Deer, for example, have brown fur that blends in with the trees, so it's harder for predators to see them. This saves them from becoming prey to a larger animal. Some animals can actually change colours to

match their environment. Many people think of chameleons when they think of this type of camouflage, but rabbits are a great example as well.



Some rabbits' fur will change colours depending on the season. Their fur might be brown in the spring, summer, and fall to match the trees, but the brown fur will fall out and white fur will grow in the winter to blend in with the snow. This way the rabbit is safer from predators all year round.



Some insects, instead of blending in with their environment, look like something else that will prevent animals from eating them. A walking stick insect looks just like a stick so that predators will pass it by without noticing it. *Katydids* (these are large groups of insects relating to grasshoppers and crickets)- mimic leaves. Some moths and butterflies have designs on their wings that make them look like snakes or owls, to scare away their predators.



For some plants, however, they don't want to blend in; they want to stand out to survive! Many plants grow flowers with colourful petals to attract bees. The bees help pollinate the flowers so that they can produce new flowers.



Instead of hiding, some plants and animals develop structures that aim to hurt anything that tries to hurt them. Some plants develop thorns so that animals will not eat them. Some animals have extremely sharp teeth and claws so they can fight off other animals. Porcupines and hedgehogs even have spikes, called quills or spines, covering their backs so animals won't want to eat them! There are many ways plants and animals have adapted to survive in the wild.



Spellings for this week: Underlined words from the text – Please write them into your small spelling notebooks. Any words you are unsure of use your dictionaries.

Write x **5 Facts** into your Eng copy from the reading passage.

Wednesday

Writing piece about 'The Zoo' It can be your choice, options are as follows;

- A report on a zoo animal
- Create a comic strip story including a Zoo animal
- An acrostic poem- with the letters of an animal
- A short story that includes the following words – bus, lost, camera, Zoo keeper, security.
- Finish the story using this as your opening line..
'I was sitting at the desk in my classroom when suddenly I saw a monkey swinging from the light in bathroom.....

Thursday

Grammar Fun – Multiple Meanings Words

Directions: Choose the word whose meaning completes both sentences

Write out sentences into your English copy please...

1. The carpenter used a hammer and _____ .

I have an appointment to have my _____ done.

a. hair b. chisel c.nails

2. I will have some _____ on my bagel.

My friends are there for me if I get in a _____.

a. accident b. jam c. spread

3. We spent the afternoon in the _____.

If we _____ our resources, we can accomplish more.

a. pool b. office c. pond

4 We were warned not to go into that _____.

I don't want to share, that cookie is _____.

a. excavation b. obtain c. mine

5 Sorry I can't talk I have to _____.

I am looking for a _____ that will fit this bolt.

a. Screw b. run c. bolt

Can you make a list of some more 'multiple meaning' words?

- Bark – of a tree Bark – how a dog communicates
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Gaeilge

Conas atá sibh cáilíní? Tá súil agam go bhfuil sibh ar-fheabhas

An Luan: Inis dom trí rudaí faoi an aimsir – scríobh iad sa cóipleabhair gaeilge.

Foclóir – Scríobh iad sa cóipléabhair

- An leon – the lion
- An séabra – the zebra
- An moncaí – The moncaí
- An crogall – the crocodile
- An cangarú – the Kangaroo
- An tíogar – the tiger
- An sioráf - the giraffe
- An rón – the seal
- An goraille - the gorilla
- Piongain - penguin
- An nathair – the snake
- An bear bán – the polar bear
- An eilifint- the elephant

An Máirt

An Zú – The Zoo

Cad a d'ith an ainmhaithe seo?

D'ith an moncaí _____.

D'ith an rón _____.

D'ith an eilifint _____.

D'ith an sioráf _____.

An Ceadaoin:

Déan cur síos ar aon cúig ainmhí . (Describe ANY 5 animals)

Cén dath ?– the colour (s)

An bhfuil sé ... beag, ard, mór, ? Is it big, small, tall?

Cé mhéad cosa? How many feet?

Cá bhfuil siad – san uisce nó ar an talamh? - land or water animal?

Cad a dúirt sé? ---Roarrrrrrr , nó OOOH OHHH AH AH,!!

An bhfuil sé tapaidh? Nó mall? Is it a fast animal, or slow animal?

Deardaóin

Tarraing an ainmhí is fearr leat? – Postær Mór !!

Draw a big picture/poster of your favourite animal!



Maths

Okay girls, this weeks tables focus x7 times

Monday : Write out the full X7 into your maths copies. Say them a few times out loud.

Number of the day – > 24 write out using the following symbols a number sentence that will = 24 (x) (-) (÷) (+)

Tuesday : Today you will be discussing '**TRIANGLES**'

There are 3 types of triangles

Remember the names I thought you:

E – Emily 'equilateral' - ALL LINES THE SAME LENGTH

I – Isabelle – 'isosceles' - TWO LINES THE SAME LENGTH

S – Sarah -- 'scalene' - THREE SIDES ALL A DIFFERENT LENGTH.

In your Maths Copies I want you to : name and draw the 3 different types of triangles - you will need your ruler.

You need to decide how big they are going to be, you decide the lengths of each side - once when measured - they are the types of triangle you wanted to draw.

Wednesday – weight !

Today I want you to go to the press and find x5 different items of different weights (it will have its weight in KG, G on the packaging. Answer the following questions in your copy.

1. Which item is the lightest? How much does it weigh?
2. Which item is the heaviest? How much does it weigh?
3. Add the weight of all the items together.
4. Subtract the lightest item from the heaviest item.

History

Amelia Earhart

Amelia Earhart was a female pilot born on July 24th, 1897 in Kansas. She was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic. From a young age, Amelia was interested in women's rights, and was considered a "tomboy".

When she was a little girl, she kept a scrapbook of women who were successful in male-dominated fields, and would later go on to be one herself. On December 28, 1920, Amelia was given her first ride in an airplane. "By the time I had got two or three hundred feet off the ground," she said, "I knew I had to fly."

Amelia soon bought her first airplane. It was bright yellow, so she nicknamed it "The Canary." On May 15, 1923, Amelia Earhart became the 16th woman to receive her flying license. Amelia became the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic in 1932. She was 34 years old.

This would be her second trip across this ocean, as she was also the first woman to cross the Atlantic as a passenger. Although she had originally planned to land in Paris, she made an emergency landing in a pasture in Northern Ireland because of strong northern winds and mechanical problems.

Amelia's celebrity status grew after this amazing flight, which took over 14 hours! During the time that Amelia was becoming a pilot, aviation was quite a new industry. People didn't fly all over the world the way they do today.

Amelia became famous, and worked hard promote flight to women. Amelia Earhart was an inspiration to women all over the world, because she was able to succeed in a male-dominated field. She was very brave because she was not afraid to fly, and she was not afraid to do something that women did not normally do.

In 1937, Amelia decided that she would like to be the first pilot to fly all around the world. Amelia never returned from this trip. She was never found, and neither was her companion or her airplane. Amelia was pronounced dead nearly two years later, after many unsuccessful search missions. The US government spent \$4 million looking for her, which made it the most

expensive rescue mission of its time. The exact details of her death remain a mystery today.



: In your History copies please complete the following activities;

(Discuss the meanings of any new vocab-use dictionary to help you)

1. When and where was Amelia Earhart born?
2. At a young age, what was Amelia interested in?
3. On what date and year was Amelia given her first ride in an airplane?
4. How many feet off the ground was she, when she realised this was the life she wanted to follow- becoming a pilot?
5. What did Amelia nickname her first airplane? Why?
6. What did Amelia become famous for in the year 1932?
7. What happened to Amelia's planned land in Paris?
8. What big idea did Amelia decide on in 1937?
9. What words would you use to describe the type of person Ameila Earhart was? Why do you think women admired her so much?
10. Would you like to fly an airplane one day? If yes, why? If no, why?

Geography

Remembering my community -Scavenger Hunt – (Think of places in Birr)

1. Where can you get the best dessert/sweet treat? _____
2. Where is the best view? _____
3. Where are the people always friendly? _____
4. Where can you go to learn something new? _____
5. Where can you spend time outside? _____
6. Where can you get something handmade? _____
7. Where can you get local produce? _____
8. Where can you hear live music? _____
9. Where can you eat pancakes? _____
10. Where can you watch sports? _____
11. Where can you have a party? _____
12. Where can you get the best pizza? _____
13. Where can you play sports? _____
14. Where can you go at night? _____
15. Where can you hang up a notice? _____
16. Where can you take a walk? _____
17. Where can you buy new shoes? _____
18. Where sells the best ice cream? _____
19. Where can you take your pet? _____
20. Where can I go if I needed help? _____

(Into you SESE copy write and fill in your answers..some will have more than 1 answer....)

Rainbow game



Okay so it has to be something in or around the house –garden included- think foods, objects, ANYTHING of the named colour! GO

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| <u>red</u> | |
| <u>orange</u> | |
| <u>yellow</u> | |
| <u>green</u> | |
| <u>blue</u> | |
| <u>Indigo</u> a purple-ish blue ..this will be the hardest ... | blueberries... |
| <u>Violet</u> | |

Remember:

There is a big difference in having confidence, and showing off.

Owning your talents and abilities and being proud of yourself is not showing off.

So the next time someone praises you for something you done or achieved or said – SAY THANK YOU.....

BELIVE IN YOURSELF ALWAYS.....Remember that girls!!!

Here are some of my FAVOURITE images, and I want you to remember these the next time you feel like 'you can't' or 'you don't believe that you can' ... Miss Murphy says **YOU CAN!!!!**





Believe in
Yourself.

In your SPHE copy or A4 sheet if you preferCan you design these 3 VERY important words.... Keeping the 'Be' and the 'You' in a certain colour, just like this one.. colour and write the other letters any way you wish..

The 'Be' 'You' within the other words is so powerful. YOU are unique. Never try to fit in and not feel happy – be who you are, because YOU are great!!

Art

Okay girls, keeping in with our Zoo theme this week. I want you to create/design a ticket for the zoo. You can do this on paper or card and cut it out. Or you could use some cardboard to keep it strong. On the ticket include some details; such as; family ticket, access to all areas, the day and date and the price, barcode. You can create a logo or image for the ticket and choose whatever shape you would like. The colour scheme and wording is all up to you. Have fun! Maybe you could send me a picture of your ticket designs! I would love to see them!

Here are some samples to give you inspiration, but think of your own idea..





fluffy panda face

Most people can't help but smile when they see a panda's face. Make this 3-D panda face, then hang it on your bedroom wall and wake up with a smile each day!

What you need

- Black tissue paper
- White tissue paper
- 1 large paper plate (10 inches across)
- 1 small paper plate (6 inches across) OR a piece of cardboard
- Scissors
- Tape
- Glue
- Pencil or marker

1.
 - Cut or tear the black and white tissue paper into small pieces (about 2 inches by 2 inches). Crunch each piece of paper into a crumpled ball.
 - Cut the smaller paper plate in half. If you are using a piece of cardboard, cut two half circles

from it—these will be the panda's ears. Tape the two half-circles onto the top of the large paper plate, where ears would be.



2.

Use the pencil or marker to draw two large circles where the eyes should be. Draw two smaller circles inside the large eye circles. Draw a triangle for a nose under the eyes.

Put glue on the entire surface of one of the ears. Push pieces of crunched-up black paper onto the glue on the ear.



3.

Repeat steps to create the other ear. Glue a couple of pieces of crumpled white paper to the centre eye circle. Glue black paper in the larger eye circles and the nose. Glue the remaining white paper onto the rest of the plate. You might want to spread glue over a small section, then press the tissue paper

crumples onto it before moving onto another section.



Religion:

For those who partake in RE lessons: Girls you have your religious journals with you at home. Please use them for continuous reflections. Anytime you feel a worry , write it in your journal , or you have a wonderful day –write it in your journal. Use the journal to draw a nice picture, design a happy word like – HOPEFUL ... whatever it may be.

For **PARENTS/GUARDIANS** .. the following is log in details for GROW IN LOVE online .You can access this book which is full of stories, prayers, meditation and activities that you can do from home with the girls if you wish.

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| Email: | trial@growinlove.ie |
| Password: | growinlove |

Keeping a link to our ZOO theme this week.. try to remember the story of Noah's Arc .. can you retell the story to a family member. Write it into your religious journals



Can you name the animals on board the arc?

Write them into your religious journal, could you draw the arc?

PE:

Ok – Exercise word for this week on the spelling sheet: **SUNSHINE** (I hope we get plenty of it) ..Make sure to go outside **every day** when the weather is good.

Have fun, play, go on your bike, draw out some hop-scotch with chalk- all of this gets you up and moving and it's so important to stay active during a time like this. We can get lazy and slump on the coach- WE WILL NOT LET THAT HAPPEN! Remember so many of you signed up for camogie this year...so you need to be keeping your fitness levels up- we will be back. Practise the drills at home, rising the ball, solo running from one end of the garden to other. Striking the ball on the ground ..on your left side, and your right side!! You don't need cones, use jumpers...practise practise practise!!

Task: This week, why don't you record or take a picture- of your best "**Outdoor activity skill**"– whether it is skipping, or trying out different exercises from our spell sheet, practising camogie skills, tennis skills, a dance you made up (cha cha slide from last week) , you out on your bike , soccer in the garden- whatever it may be -and SEND IT TO ME via my email – (optional)

I need to know my girls are not turning into couch potatoes!! We can motivate each other to stay fit and healthy- we know our slogan – Healthy body..healthy mind – FRESH air is so important!

Why don't we call it – GET UP, GET OUT, GET ACTIVE –Mercy stlye!!!!

OR Fitness fun in the sun – 4TH class stlye!!

.... I am excited !!



Music

I hope you all had a lot of fun dancing to the Cha cha slide last week. I can't wait until we are all back Cha Cha sliding together as a big group. We should get the whole school out and get the speaker to perform it in the yard! How cool would that be?

Song focus for the next week or two- keeping in with our 'Zoo' theme – **Katy Perry's Roar**.

This is a song about standing up for yourself, it is an anti-bullying, empowering song – it teaches you to speak up- and have a voice because everyone deserves to be heard!

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=empcJOD-bA0> (parent supervision)

"Roar"

I used to bite my tongue and hold my breath
Scared to rock the boat and make a mess
So I sit quietly
Agree politely

I guess that I forgot I had a choice
I let you push me past the breaking point
I stood for nothing
So I fell for everything

You held me down, but I got up (Hey!)
Already brushing off the dust
You hear my voice, you hear that sound
Like thunder gonna shake the ground
You held me down, but I got up (Hey!)
Get ready 'cause I've had enough
I see it all, I see it now

I got the eye of the tiger
A fighter
Dancing through the fire
'Cause I am a champion and you're gonna hear me roar
Louder, louder than a lion
'Cause I am a champion and you're gonna hear me roar

Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh
Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh
Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh
You're gonna hear me roar

Now I'm floating like a butterfly

Stinging like a bee I earned my stripes
I went from zero
To my own hero

You held me down, but I got up (Hey!)
Already brushing off the dust
You hear my voice, you hear that sound
Like thunder gonna shake the ground
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Roar, roar, roar, roar, roar

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Have a great week girls.

Love always

Miss Murphy

