



Year 1 October Newsletter



Our Class Motto is:
“Have a go!”



The children in Year 1 are settling so well into school and have been enjoying getting to know each other and their new classroom.

Please encourage our **class motto** in all routines which your child carries out daily. Encouraging them to ‘**Have a go**’ is the first stage of becoming confident, independent learners!



Year 1 Topic Work

- Autumn
- Halloween
- Our monthly value of ‘Prayer’.
- Developing our thinking - making time to think.

Literacy

- Early Listening Skills
- Early Writing Skills
- Sequencing Stories
- Nursery Rhymes

In Sound work the children will learn to recognise items beginning with the sounds m, s, t, n, o, and p and complete word building, sound swap activities

reading and writing activities based on these sounds.

Number

- Counting orally to 10.
- Sorting and classifying objects.
- Making and counting sets of 5, 6 and 7.

How you can help at home!

- Go for an autumn walk - encourage your child to use their senses to find all the signs of autumn.
- Count out the number of forks, knives, plates needed for dinner.
- What sounds can they recognise in their name? Encourage your child to write their own name.
- Play ‘I spy’ - you can focus on the sounds we are covering this month.
- Take your child for a visit to the chapel - this is where we come and pray to God.

The Sam Maguire will be arriving in school at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 13th October. I am happy to supervise your children until 3 for this exciting visit.

Labelling

Please remember to clearly label your child’s snack, coat and all parts of their school uniform to avoid any confusion.

After Schools Multi Sports on Fridays

Please collect your child from the school at 2.40pm Children who require supervision until 3.00pm will be looked after in the mobile classroom.

Homework

Written homework will begin for your child after Halloween. Details will follow in their Homework Books.

We have been practising how to bless ourselves and say our prayers in class. Please continue to do this at home with your child.



Always pray to have eyes that see the best, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith in God.

Lessons Learned In Life

October Birthdays!



**Orlagh
McRory: 17th
Aideen
Donnelly: 19th**



Developing Fine Motor Skills

Developing correct pencil grip and pencil control at this early stage is very important. Please encourage your child to practise their early writing/mark making skills at home.

They can use paintbrushes, markers, pencils, crayons, chalk etc.

