

St. Patrick's P.S., Eskra

Supporting your child's learning – Year 6

February 2020 – Mrs Mullin

Your child is learning to:

- Investigate the area of a right angled triangle, squares and rectangles.
- Investigate the properties of different types of triangles- right angled, scalene, isosceles and equilateral.
- Understand the relationship between grams and kilograms, e.g. 1352g = 1kg 352 g. Develop estimation skills. Explore half/ quarter of a kg.
- Revise number operations, with particular focus on long multiplication.
- Develop problem solving skills, with focus on 2 step problems.
- Develop mental maths techniques/ use of games/ Tables 6x, 7x and 8x.
- Develop comprehension, Reading, Writing & grammar skills through class novel, '**A Girl Called Blue**'. Through this novel we will explore formal letter writing, report writing, postcard and creative writing.
- Explore syllables, primarily through the production of a haiku poem.
- Explore a variety of abbreviations and complete research activities.
- Engage in GAA and Multi Sports coaching- Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Develop conversational Irish through participation in Tyrone County Board initiative of developing basic Irish skills in Primary Schools. (See website tyronegaa.ie)
- Discuss the value of **Forgiveness**- the story of The Prodigal Son
- Class star reward system; Table Points and Golden Time.
- Develop **Self-Management** skills.
- World Around Us topic- **Food**. Explore different types of food and how they affect our bodies.
- Follow our Golden Rules; Corridor Rules; Playground Rules and Classroom Rules.

You can help by:

- Helping your child with his/her homework: content & presentation.
- Encouraging him/her to self correct work.
- Revising Tables & spellings with your child nightly.
- Providing time for your child to engage in accelerated reader book.
- Helping with themed work in maths on weight- bake with your child to allow them to gain real life experience of grams etc.
- Encourage your child to use a dictionary when required.
- Helping your child to research when necessary for homework.
- Discussing the importance of **Forgiveness** in our school and home lives.
- Reinforcing the importance of good behaviour in class & around school.
- Helping to develop skills of **Self Management** by encouraging your child to be independent when it comes to organizing necessary books in red folder

