



# Year 2 April Newsletter 2020



**Our Class Motto is:**  
*“Have a go!”*



**April Birthdays!**



We have no children in Year 2, celebrating their birthday this month!

## Year 2 Topic Work

- Easter
- Spring
- Using Money ( up to 20p)
- Focus on our monthly value of ‘Love.’
- Develop skills in Thinking, Problem Solving and Decision Making’.

## Literacy and Sound Work

- Have a go at writing sentences about your news/your day create your own ‘diary’.
- Make a list of food for the shopping list.
- Recognise items containing the sound ‘sh’, ‘ch’ and ‘th’.
- Use the spelling list words to make sentences & build the words using post - it notes.

## Numeracy

- Adding 3 sets of objects up to 20.
- Develop mental maths strategies when counting within 20.
- Developing language related to ‘Shape’ and ‘Data Handling’.

## How you can help at home

- Help your child complete 1 or 2 Maths activity and 1 or 2 Literacy activity per day.
- Create a sound scrapbook using old magazines/catalogues. Cut out pictures of objects beginning with all 26 sounds. Include ‘th’, ‘ch’, ‘sh’ pictures. Write the words.
- Talk about Lent. Set up a prayer corner at home. Put a Trocaire box in your prayer corner and remind the children about the importance of giving to Trocaire during Lent. Encourage your child to keep their ‘**Lenten promise**’.
- Please continue to practise correct number and sound formations.
- We would love some sign of Spring weather! Go for a Spring walk with your child. Can your child identify the signs of Spring? Carry out a Spring Scavenger Hunt!
- Allow for some chore time.
- Cook/bake together –a lot of homeschool Maths is done in the kitchen
- Be gentle with your child (ren) and yourselves. If it gets frustrating, walk away. Come back to it when you are both in a better frame of mind.

I hope and pray that both you and your families are all keeping well and staying safe. This month’s Newsletter is a guide to you, with some suggestions for home learning. During these uncertain, worrying times, try not to put too much pressure on yourself or your child to stick to a strict daily timetable to complete ‘written’ activities. Try and include at least 1 hour outside. Fresh air and sun ( fingers crossed we get more!), is good for the immune system.

Do not underestimate the power of simply enjoying a story together!



## **Suggested apps/websites**

- Reading eggs & Mathseeds- 30 Days Free Access
- Sounds-write app
- [www.teachyourmonstertoread.com](http://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com)
- [www.nessy.com](http://www.nessy.com)
- [www.activityvillage.co.uk](http://www.activityvillage.co.uk)
- [www.twinkl.co.uk](http://www.twinkl.co.uk)
- [www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)
- [www.spellingshed.com](http://www.spellingshed.com)
- [www.mathshed.com](http://www.mathshed.com)
- [www.growinlove.ie](http://www.growinlove.ie)
- Cosmic Yoga - youtube
- Go Noodle– youtube