**5th / 6th Class – Activities for Week 1 30/03/20 and (if we are not back to school ) Week 2 – 20/04/20**

Dear parent,

I hope that you are all well. Please find below a list of activities for the two weeks - Week 1 Monday, March 30th **and (if we are not back to school )** Week 2 – 20/04/20. Please review and correct all activities with your child.

**English**:

* ‘The Spirit of the Titanic’ group (Mr. O’Donnell): Read chapters 6 to 9, complete related activities from workbook (pages 9 + 10)
* ‘The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas’ group (Ms. Lynch): Continue reading novel, complete related activities from workbook
* ‘Carries War’ group (Ms. Keane): Activities as posted by Ms. Keane on the website
* ‘The Butterfly Lion’ group (Ms. Keane): Activities as posted by Ms. Keane on the website
* My Spelling Workbook: Unit 13: First 11 spellings in week 1, second 11 spellings in week 2, complete exercises, test spellings

Many schoolbook publishers have made their books free to access online during the period of school closures. Should you require additional activities, I would suggest accessing the following publications for suitable comprehension, grammar and writing exercises - the completion of one unit per week from each of these books might be manageable:

5th Class

* Call of the Sea (Folens)
* Better English Literary Skills 5th Class (educate.ie)

6th Class

* Smart Ice-Cream (Folens)
* Better English Literary Skills 6th Class (educate.ie)

Your child was asked to choose one book from the library before the school closed – please encourage them to continue to read this or any other suitable books during the closure.

**Gaeilge**:

* Fuaimeanna agus Focail: Unit 26 - 27 (one per week) - complete exercises, test spellings

I would suggest accessing the following, currently free online resources:

5th Class

* Seo Leat, Rang a Cúig (CJ Fallon)

6th Class

* Seo Leat, Rang a Sé (CJ Fallon)

One unit per week from these books might be manageable. If your child is having difficulty with these activities, you could move to previous level (i.e. 5th class on the 4th class book, 6th class on the 5th class book).

**Maths**:

* Mental Maths: Unit 27 – 28 (one unit per week, including problems and Friday Review)

I have set up a ‘**Mathletics**’ account for your child, which will allow me to assign activities. If you send an email with your child’s name to teachermeelick@gmail.com, I will reply with their login details.

**Geography and Science**:

If your child left their ‘Small World’ books in school, these are available online (CJ Fallon).

* Small World, Unit 13: The Moon – read, discuss and complete written exercises – Textbook, p. 78 – A, B C (2), Workbook, p. 30 (these activities were also on the worksheet I gave out on the day of the closure)
* Small World, Unit 14: Study of a Bogland Area – read (p, 79, 80), discuss and complete written exercises – Textbook, p. 81 – A, B, Workbook, p. 31 (B), 32

If your child has not yet completed their ‘Country’ project, please encourage them to do so. If they are still in the process of doing this, the following sites may be helpful (or, even they have, they may find these both educational and entertaining):

<https://www.kids-world-travel-guide.com/geography-facts.html>

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/countries.html>

<https://www.scienceforkidsclub.com/country-facts.html>

**History**:

* Small World, Unit 12: The Irish Free State – read, discuss and complete written exercises – Textbook, p.71 - A, B, C. Activities from exercises D & E optional), Workbook, p. 29 – 31 (these activities were also on the worksheet I gave out on the day of the closure)
* Small World, Unit 13: Mahatma Gandhi – read, discuss and complete written exercises – Textbook, p.75 - A, B, Workbook, p. 31

**Visual Arts:** A wide range of suitable art and craft activities are available on scoilnet.ie. (This is also an excellent resource for activities from all other subject areas)