**Ms. Walsh**

**English:**  Read a story and then answer the following questions:

1. Who your favourite character is and why?
2. Name the different settings mentioned in the book.
3. If you could ask the main character a question, what you it be?
4. Draw a picture showing your favourite part of the story.

**Useful Websites:** www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/ (e books).

**www.storynory.com** **(audio books).**

**www.storyonline.net** **(story videos).**

**Writing ideas:** Write instructions for a family member to follow in order for them to complete a game.

Write shopping lists, lists of different types of pets or lists of the name of different places beginning with letter A etc.

www.mystorybook.com is a useful website for writing a simple story, adding words and selecting pictures to match the story.

www.starfall.com (Juniors – 2nd Class). A good selection of basic reading books and activities based on phonics.

www.topmarks.co.uk Literacy links to spelling and phonic games.

**Developing typing skills:** On the bbc.co.uk there is a link to Dance Mat Typing Bitesize and the typing activities encourage children to develop their basic typing skills.

**Maths:**

**Real Life Maths Activities:** Use a shopping catalogue to calculate the cost of all/some items on a page. Estimate if I had €10 what items could I buy. What change I get from €10, €20 etc.

Use of a calendar to read the day and the date and record events.

Look at the clocks in the house to tell the time. Look up the T.V. Guide to check the starting and finishing times of different programmes.

Go on a ‘Shape Hunt’ inside and outside the house. Record the 2-D and 3-D shapes that you can see.

Useful website: www.topmarks.co.uk. Complete the 60 second mental maths challenge using ‘Hit the Button’. Focus is on addition and subtraction.

**Fine and Gross Motor Skills:**

Zip up jackets.

Tie laces.

Use a lacing card.

Open and close the buttons on a shirt/coat.

Paper folding.

Use of clothes pegs to remove small items from a box.

Draw different types of lines and cut them out using a scissors.

Cut out regular and irregular shapes.

Throwing and catching a ball.

Kicking a ball at a target.

Bouncing a ball.

Skipping.

Hopping

**Daily Youtube Activity ‘The Body Coach For Kids’ (9am.)**