

Online Learning for Ms. Curtin's Senior Infants

Week of January 25th-29th

Dear parents, please find below a description of the activities you may wish to use this week. There is no pressure to complete all of these, they are merely ideas. I will be adding all links mentioned to Seesaw Class app. Each child was given their own QR code for easy access to this app which was laminated and included in their homework folders. **Please make sure you do not use the Seesaw Family app, the activities will not appear there, activities will only appear in Seesaw Class.** If anyone has any problems logging in please let me know and I will email a new code to you.

I have included a mix of online videos, games, written work and books as well as play and art ideas **based on the theme of Australia**. You know your child best and what they can manage on a daily or weekly basis, I want to give plenty of options to help them engage and enjoy their learning as much as possible. I will post a schedule each day to seesaw class that you may wish to follow however there is no pressure to follow this at all! I have also archived last week's activities so any you did not get to complete will no longer appear in the feed.

Play is so important for young children and is how they learn best. Based on the theme of Australia I am including some play ideas you may wish to try out at home. I would love to see videos/photos of your play and creations!

Play Ideas:

- Playdough: Make an Australian animal- what about you try and make a koala, a kangaroo, a crocodile or a wombat!
- The Airport: pack a bag for a trip to Australia-what clothes will you need? It's a long flight, what will you wear, what will you do to keep yourself entertained, what snacks will you bring to eat? What accessories will you need eg) sunglasses, a sun hat, flip flops. Go through security, you'll need a passport, your ticket and your bag. Then take a seat on the airplane or change role and become a pilot, it's a long flight. What movie will you watch or will you take a nap?
- Junk Art: Using recyclable materials you have at home make an airplane, Australian animal or an Australian flag
- Baking: Pretend baking (if pretend follow the recipe but don't eat it, it's just for fun!): try out one of this popular Australian dessert called Lamingtons or why not really try and make Lamingtons, let me know how they turn out!

<https://www.kidspot.com.au/kitchen/recipes/lamington-recipe/9c9sh3mg>

Oral Language: Weather: What is the weather like today? Is it rainy, sunny, cloudy, windy, foggy, hot, cold? What do you think the weather will be like tomorrow? What is the weather like in Australia today? What season is it? Is it hot or cold over there? What clothes would you wear if you were in Australia today?

Gaeilge: This week we will be learning about the weather in Irish too, why not try and answer: Cén saghas lae atá ann inniu? Tá sé fliuch (wet), tirim (dry), gaofar (windy), fuar (cold), scamallach (cloudy). Bua na Cainte lessons will be on seesaw class.

English: Storybooks on Youtube based on Australia:

- The Koala Who Could <https://video.link/w/etfJb>
- Pouch <https://video.link/w/9KLJb>
- Diary of a Wombat <https://video.link/w/f0fJb>
- Wombat Stew <https://video.link/w/N1fJb>
- Possum Goes to School <https://video.link/w/L3fJb>
- Possum Magic <https://video.link/w/4jCJb>

Readers: Readers will be posted to seesaw. If you would like more reader options the following websites offer free ebooks: readingegg.com, <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/> and epic.com. I will post 5 readers for the week at once.

Phonics: Ms. Dooley is posting phonics activities for her group, please only complete her activities, there is no need to do both.

For the rest of the children, they should use their yellow copy to write the sound and draw some pictures of objects that have that sound in it eg) oi=coin, ue=glue and try to write the word to match the picture they draw. This week we will focus on the digraphs: er and ar. er Video: <https://video.link/w/TItJb> ar Video: <https://video.link/w/cLtJb>

Letter formation: This week we will begin writing Capital Letters. We will start with I and T. I will post videos to seesaw about letter formation. I would recommend completing page 18 in the big All Write Now on Monday, and page 11 about I in small grey All Write Now book on Tuesday. Page 19 in Big All Write Now on Wednesday and page 12 about T in small grey All Write Now book on Thursday so the children get lots of practice forming them.

Geography: Watch this video to learn some facts about Australia <https://video.link/w/wwfJb>

Science: Can you name some Australian Animals? Take a tour of an Australian zoo

<https://video.link/w/T8fJb>

Volcanoes: Did you know there are 150 volcanoes in Australia? Do we have volcanoes in Ireland? Here's a video with more about them. <https://video.link/w/DRoJb>

Try out this science experiment to make your own volcano, it could get messy so best to do this outside! Instructions: <https://www.sciencefun.org/kidszone/experiments/how-to-make-a-volcano/#:~:text=Combine%20the%20vinegar%2C%20water%2C%20dish,bottle%20quickly%20and%20step%20back> or watch this video tutorial <https://video.link/w/VeCJb>

History: Celebrate Australia Day on Tuesday, listen to the national anthem, make lamingtons

<https://www.kidspot.com.au/kitchen/recipes/lamington-recipe/9c9sh3mg> or draw the

Australian flag: <https://video.link/w/M4fJb>

Maths: Topic: Patterns. Videos will be posted to seesaw class on making patterns, there are no pages to complete in Busy at Maths. Number blocks have some lovely videos about patterns on youtube here's one about 3 repeating colours <https://video.link/w/VauJb>

Music: Nursery Rhymes: Kookabura: <https://video.link/w/2GfJb>

Listen & Respond to the Australian National Anthem: <https://video.link/w/LAfJb>

Do you like the song? What country do you think it's about? Is it fast or slow/happy or sad?

Do you prefer the national anthem for Ireland or Australia? Why?

Art: Draw/paint an Australian flag or follow this video to draw a koala

<https://video.link/w/C6fJb>

Religion: Grow in Love-video will be posted to Seesaw. Grow in Love Workbook page 28 & 29

PE: Dance & Movement videos will be posted to Seesaw Class

I am including a sample timetable you may wish to follow, I will upload the links to seesaw following this timetable so as not to overwhelm you on Monday however if you wish to work at your own pace please use the links in this document.

If you have any questions at all please contact me on seesaw class or by email at

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
English	Story: The Koala Who Could https://video.link/w/etfJb Phonics: er sound-watch video, practice sound, discuss words that start with er, find items in the house that start with er, write/draw words and pictures that start with oi in yellow copy or worksheet on seesaw Letter formation: All Write Now page 18	Story: Diary of a Wombat https://video.link/w/f0fJb Phonics: er sound-rewatch video, worksheet on seesaw Letter formation: Small All Write Now page 11 about I	Story: Wombat Stew https://video.link/w/N1fJb Phonics: ar sound watch video, practice sound, discuss words that start/include ar, find items in the house that start with ar, write/draw words and pictures that start/include ar in yellow copy Letter formation: All Write Now page 19	Story: Possum Goes to School https://video.link/w/L3fJ Phonics: b ar sound rewatch video, worksheet on seesaw Letter formation: Small All Write Now page 12 about T	Story: Possum Magic https://video.link/w/4jCJb Dictation: Read out the sentences and ask your child to try and write them, instructions posted to seesaw
Irish	Bua na Cainte An Aimsir Video 1	Bua na Cainte Video 2	Bua na Cainte Video 3	Bua na Cainte Video 4	Bua na Cainte Video 5
Maths	Patterns Videos on Seesaw. 1) Guess the topic 2) 1:1 pattern 3) 1:2 pattern	Patterns Video on Seesaw. Make your own 1:2:3 pattern	Patterns Video on Seesaw. Make your own 1:2:3:4 pattern	Patterns Video on Seesaw. Make your own 1:2:2 pattern	Patterns Video on Seesaw Make your own 1:2:3:3 pattern
Other	Geography: Watch the video to learn facts about Australia Listen to the Australian anthem or draw the flag	Science: To find out more about Australian animals, take a tour of an Australian zoo	Science: There are 150 volcanoes in Australia, watch a video about volcanoes Try out the science experiment	Baking: Follow the recipe and try and make your own lamingtons	Grow in Love video and workbook page 28/29 Directed drawing

		Music: Sing the nursery rhyme Kookabura			video: Draw a Koala
Don't forget PE	Miss Linky Exercise Class https://video.link/w/6TtJb	Pe with Joe Wicks on Youtube	Cosmic Kids Yoga on youtube	Miss Linky Dino Dance https://video.link/w/5XtJb	PE with Joe Wicks on youtube