

Senior Infants Staff

Rm 8: Siobhan Cullen

Rm 9: Eileen Earley & Michelle Egan

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Hamilton

P.E. Day

Rm 8: Tuesday/Thursday

Rm 9: Tuesday/Thursday

Rm 10: Tuesday

We visit the school playground once a week.

Library Days

Room 8: Tuesday

Room 9: Wednesday

Room 10: Thursday



Homework in Senior Infants

Homework should take 10-15 minutes approx. We would ask parents to help children with their homework but encourage independent writing as much as possible. An important part of homework is learning the Word Box and Tricky Words when assigned. Children should always be encouraged to read. Once a week, there will be communication via Google Classroom/Aladdin.



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Scoil na Naomh Uilig Senior Infants Newsletter October 2023



In Scoil na Naomh Uilig we are all equal. We learn together, we play together, we <u>pr</u>ay and we grow together.



Uile le Chéile



What's new in the Senior Infants Curriculum?

- Children will be continuing with the Jolly Phonics Programme which commenced in Junior Infants. We also follow the Sounds like Phonics programme.
- The new Language Curriculum continues to be implemented.
- Junior Infant writing programme is being completed and continuation of the Go With the Flow cursive writing programme with an introduction to capital letters will follow.
- Stay Safe Programme commences in Senior Infants with revision of Junior Infants RSE lessons.





Skills important for children to have coming to school each day:

- Put on and zip up own coat
- Open & close lunch box & drinks bottle
- Write own name
- Good hand hygiene
- Putting items in folders/ tidying up



Literacy

Literacy Lift Off!

During term 2, the children in Senior Infants will be taking part in Literacy Lift Off.

This is a fantastic literacy initiative which will give the children a significant boost in their literacy skills. There will be 3 teachers teaching literacy skills, for a time, in their class every day for 6 weeks.

Reading homework may be a little different during the 6 weeks when your child is taking part in Literacy Lift Off but we will let you know more about this nearer the time.

We hope you will see their reading getting stronger daily especially during this time!





Our class reward system



- Star of the Week
- ✔ Group Rewards
- ✓ Individual Behaviour Charts where necessary



Aistear Programme

In Senior Infants we continue to partake in Aistear which is learning through play. Each month we begin a new theme, for example the The Construction Site & Birthday Parties etc. Aistear helps develop oral language, imagination and social skills which are important skills for all areas of learning.



School website

Please follow the Thursday note and other class/school information on the website

www.scoilnanaomhuilig.ie

For additional information & class updates log into your Google Classroom Account.

Learning to Live Together

Be on time and be prepared

Be Fair, Be Friendly

Talk in the right way at the right time

Sit when working, walk when moving

Always do your best

Restorative Questions

What happened?

What were you thinking of at the time

What have you thought about it since?

Who has been affected and in what way?

How could things have been done differently?

What do you think needs to happen next?

Learning to Live Together - Yard

Be Fair, Be Friendly

Kind Hands, Kind Feet, Kind Words

We tell a teacher if there is a problem

We stay in our own yard

We always do what a teacher asks

Values

We will be learning about human values such as friendship, kindness, courage and honesty and many more.

Chat to your child about what value they are learning this week.

Other information relevant to Senior Infants

- Phonological Awareness is taught daily to the children during the 1st term of SI. It is a vital skill for the children to acquire, to help them read and write. You can help at home by playing rhyming games with them such as 'I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with _____"
- Use of iPads to support literacy and numeracy.
- □ Daily reading in school which must be supported at home recommended 10 minutes of reading each day at home.
- Station & Team teaching to support active learning in the classroom.

Contact Us

Please arrange to meet with any of us through the office or by contacting us through Google Classroom by email.



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Any smaller messages can be also given through the office or we can ring you after teaching times.

We look forward to a great school year 2023-24 in Scoil na Naomh Uilig