Over the next few weeks I will be doing quite a bit of testing in order to make assessments for report writing. The tests will be on work we have covered in class and hopefully will not cause any stress.

Research Presentation.
Some children are forgetting to present their research. This is a great opportunity to begin some 'public speaking' so please encourage them in this. Any questions, please see me.

Five students a week will have the opportunity to present a research topic. Rather than 'telling news', the student can choose a topic that they are interested in, find out some facts and information, and present it to their peers. There is a format for this that will be given to the 'researchers' when it is their turn. We will learn the most amazing things!

Literacy.
This week we will continue our theme of Fairy Tales. Our focus will be Narrative - beginning, middle and end. We look at problems and resolutions. We will also do a little more in-depth and discuss what the message is in the fairy tale.

This week we are studying ‘The Lion and the Mouse’
A lion threatens a mouse that wakes him from sleep. The mouse begs forgiveness and makes the point that such unworthy prey would bring the lion no honour. The lion then agrees and sets the mouse free. Later, the lion is netted by hunters. Hearing it roaring, the mouse remembers its clemency and frees it by gnawing through the ropes. The moral of the story is that mercy brings its reward and that there is no being so small that it cannot help a greater.

Religion.
This week we will continue our unit ‘Love/Church’ and look at what mass means to us. We will work through a series of activities designed to help the children understand what mass is all about.

IT and Health. Integrating RE. Cyber Safety: I will continue an online programme about Cyber Safety. Acma cybersmart.
Key issues addressed will be:
Age appropriate websites, Cyber bullying, Protecting personal information, Secure passwords, Talking with trusted adults, Positive online experiences. This programme is designed for Year One.

Spelling: New words for this week – funny see it was let
This week I will be continue with the ‘Daily Five’. In this activity, we review five of the spelling words we have learnt so far this year. They will be different daily. This will enable the children to consolidate the spelling for these words. This will NOT change the homework. Homework remains the same five words over ten days.

This week we continue our Diana Rigg targeted Spelling games. I will be re-testing the groups this.

Reading Groups.
Another cycle of testing, teaching and levelling the students for reading is in progress.

Mathematics.

History: Link in with RE and discuss how Mass evolved.

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