

# THE PRIMARY PLANET HOMEWORK CLUB

## PUPIL PACK

NOVEMBER 9-13

This pack includes ...

LIST OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

PUPIL WORKSHEETS FOR THE WEEK

**\*\*Children can access all activities online as a paperless alternative where no photocopying is needed. \*\***

**\*\*\*Children WILL NEED their TPP mags when completing some of the activities\*\*\***

# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

## 1. TPP WEEKLY QUIZ (AUDIO)

(15 GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONS, POSTED ONLINE FROM MONDAY A.M.)

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## 2. MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE (AUDIO)

(15 MATHS QUESTIONS, POSTED ONLINE FROM MONDAY A.M. )

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## 3. VOCABULARY CONSTABULARY

(A VOCABULARY ACTIVITY, AVAILABLE ON WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

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## 4. EDITING EXERCISE

(A SPELLING ACTIVITY, AVAILABLE ON WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

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## 5. CÚPLA CEIST

(COMPREHENSION ACTIVITY, AVAILABLE ON WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

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# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES EXPLAINED

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### 1. TPP WEEKLY QUIZ (AUDIO)

A 15-question general knowledge audio quiz posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. Children listen to an audio file, where we call out the questions. They can write down their answers on an answer sheet, in a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers are posted every Friday, allowing the children to self-correct. By logging their answers online, each child will enter a weekly draw to win an online shopping voucher worth €25.

### 2. TPP MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE (AUDIO)

A 15-question mental maths audio activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. Children listen to an audio file, where we call out the questions. They can write down their answers on an answer sheet, in a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers are posted every Friday, allowing the children to self-correct. A fun warm-up activity. By logging their answers online, each child will enter a weekly draw to win an online shopping voucher worth €25.

### 3. VOCABULARY CONSTABULARY (WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

A vocabulary enrichment activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. Vocabulary Constabulary challenges the children to find words throughout the magazine that match the definitions provided. The clues also provide differentiation (page numbers, starting letters, etc). They can write down their answers on the worksheet provided, in a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers are posted every Friday, allowing the children to self-correct. By logging their answers online, each child will enter a weekly draw to win an online shopping voucher worth €25.

### 4. CLOZE TEST (WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

A comprehension activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. This activity requires the children to fill in the 10 words from the word box and complete the article. They can write down their answers on an answer sheet, a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers are posted every Friday, allowing the children to self-correct. By logging their answers online, each child will enter a weekly draw to win an online shopping voucher worth €25.

### 5. CÚPLA CEIST (WORKSHEET OR ONLINE)

A Gaeilge comprehension activity posted online every Monday from 9:00 a.m. Children must use their skimming and scanning and reading skills to answer the questions, taken from this month's issue. Page number clues are provided. They can write down their answers on an answer sheet, a designated Homework Club copy, or type them online in the comment box provided. Answers are posted every Friday, allowing the children to self-correct. By logging their answers online, each child will enter a weekly draw to win an online shopping voucher worth €25.

Answer sheet for your weekly

# MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE

20 mental maths questions read aloud. You write down the answers as quickly (and correctly) as you can!  
If we are going too fast for you, just play it again, and again, until you get all completed.

We'll reveal the answers every Friday! Ready? Let's go!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

FRIDAY SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Answer Sheet for your

# TPP WEEKLY QUIZ

Right, before anyone asks you to do anything, be ready to shout: **IN TEN MINUTES!**  
As that's how long it will take you to complete this, we're thinking.  
OK, enough of the intro, we want answers ... **NOW!** So, listen up!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

FRIDAY SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Vocabulary Enrichment Activity

# VOCABULARY CONSTABULARY

Are you a good detective? The Vocabulary Constabulary needs your help.

You can often detect the meaning of a word or phrase by reading it in context, that is, by reading the other words around it in a piece of text. Find the page, article or paragraph in TPP and then detect the word or phrase that solves the clue to its meaning. The number of letters and the starting letter of the solution are in brackets after each clue.

LOCATION, Article/Paragraph	CLUE (number of letters, first letter)
1. P12 5 Reasons	Sleek, streamlined, trim. (6,r)
2. P12 Suzuki	Cars. (11,a)
3. P18 History	Ridge of jagged rock or coral in the sea. (4,r)
4. P18 Claim to Fame	Very successful book or film. (11,b)
5. P18 ... Bleaching	Experiencing strain or tension. (8,s)
6. P19 Amphibians	Unaware, oblivious, off guard. (12,u)
7. P19 ... Disguise	Sleeping, slumbering, resting, reposing. (7,d)
8. P22 ... Robots	Advance, quantum leap, development. (12,b)
9. P22 ... Henry?	Cyclones, typhoons, tropical storms. (10,h)
10. P23 Think Pad ...	Turn, rotate, revolve, pivot. (6,s)

Your answers

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Now, sort your answers into alphabetical order!

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Comprehension Activity

# CLOZE TEST TIME

We've made this piece about Offaly Scientists a bit trickier by taking out 10 words. This is called a Cloze test. Read through the words in the Word Bank first and make sure you understand them. Then, read the article. Make sure you think about the best place to put a word, not the first place. Careful as you go, as some words may fit in more than one place, while other words will only suit one.

born	crater	monster	liners	telescope
inventions	cancer	Professor	zero	invented

## Offaly Great Scientists

William Parsons (1800-1867) built the biggest \_\_\_\_\_ (1) in the world in 1845 at Birr Castle. He was the Third Earl of Rosse and the telescope, which was called the Leviathan of Parsonstown, remained the largest in the world for 75 years. Birr was called Parsonstown in those days and a leviathan was the name given to a large sea \_\_\_\_\_ (2) mentioned in the Bible. It was the first telescope to view the spiral structure of the object then known only as M51. M51 would later be known as the Whirlpool Galaxy.

William's son, Charles Parsons (1854-1931) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) the steam turbine for generating electricity. His invention revolutionised shipping and led to the building of huge ocean \_\_\_\_\_ (4) like the ill-fated Lusitania and the Titanic.

George Johnstone Stoney (1826-1911) came from Clareen and was \_\_\_\_\_ (5) of Natural Philosophy at Queen's College Galway. He discovered the electron, the basic unit of electricity, and even explained the reason why the moon has \_\_\_\_\_ (6) gravity, long before the space age began.

John Joly (1857-1933) was \_\_\_\_\_ (7) in Bracknagh and entered Trinity College, Dublin in 1876. In 1914 he discovered a method of extracting radium and began using it to treat \_\_\_\_\_ (8) patients. Among his many \_\_\_\_\_ (9) was the Joly Colour process, the first successful method of producing colour images from a single photographic plate. A \_\_\_\_\_ (10) on Mars was named in Joly's honour in 1973.

Gaeilge Activity

# CÚPLA CEIST

Tá siad simplí agus tá fiche freagra le fáil. Féach tríd an nuachtán!

1. Lch7 Cén t-ainm atá ar príomh-aire na Fionlainne?

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2. Lch8 Ta ardán in onóir do Michael \_\_\_\_\_ i bPáirc an Chrócaigh.

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3. Lch13 Cén saghas cuadrothar atá ag Alan Ó'Ceallaigh?

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4. Lch5 Tá beagnach 27 million \_\_\_\_\_ sa Nua-Shéalainn.

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5. Lch5 An cathair is glaine in Éirinn.

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6. Lch6 Cén slí bheatha atá ag Shannon Walker?

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7. Lch11 Thug sé piobar sillí go dtí an Spáinn fadó.

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8. Lch9 Chuaigh sé ó Ghlaschú go Manchain ar rothar beag bándearg.

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9. Lch 9 Rugadh Ruby Sue sa stát Mheiriceánach seo.

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10. Lch9 Tá cónaí ar Percival sa stát Astrálach seo.

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