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January 2023 Round - Up

All of our students were very happy to return to school on 5th January following a busy Christmas break.

Our 5th and 6th class students began working on some designs with local artist Brigid Teehan for our Junior Infant yard mural which we will complete as part of the BLAST project. Our Green Schools committee was busy preparing for our Green School inspection in February.

Ms Murphy and Ms O'Brien were also very busy working on our Creative Cluster project. Many of our students are now part of a traditional music group that meet and rehearse every week. All classes are also working on songs that will be included on a CD that our school will record in April as part of this project.

Our Coiste Teanga also organised some new incentives to encourage the use of Gaeilge throughout the school and to inspire children to use this language outside their formal language lesson.

Without a doubt, the highlight of the month was Catholic school's Week. On Wednesday 25th January we welcomed approximately 150 Grandparents to our school to celebrate this very special day. Our grandparents engaged in a variety of games and stations, listened to songs and music and gathered in the staff room for a cup of tea and a chat. A great day was had by all!

Speech and Language Classes

The Speech and language classes reached for the stars and we discussed the many dreams and aspirations we have for the new year.



We had great fun learning all about the past from some of our grandparents who came to visit. Thank you to those who took the time to come and visit us that day.



Junior Infants. Ms. Kennedy.

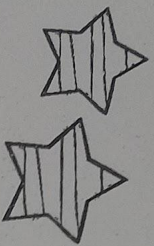
The new year of 2023 started with an action packed month in Junior Infants with the following activities...Food Dudes, gymnastics, making and designing our clay pots, Grandparents Day, starting our 'Incredible Edibles' journey while also learning about our themes of 'The Arctic/ Winter' and 'Houses and Homes'.



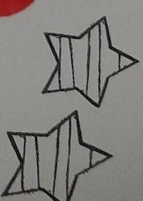




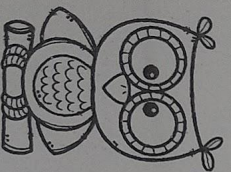




Happy Grandparent's Day



You always clean the fingerprints
I leave upon the wall.
I seem to make a mess of things
Because I am so small.
The years will pass so quickly.
I'll soon be grown like you
And all my little fingerprints
Will surely fade from view.
So here's a special handprint,
A memory that is true
So you'll recall the very day
I made this just for you!



Love always, _____





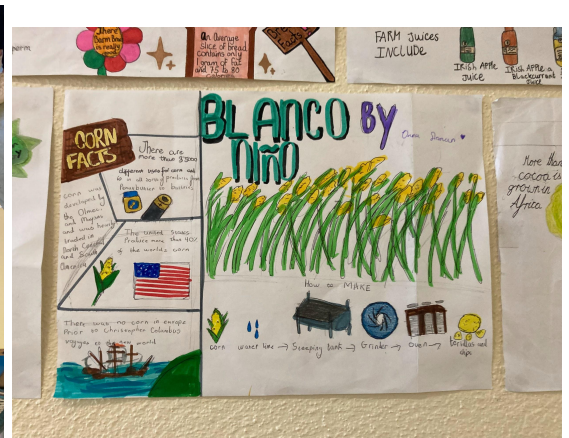
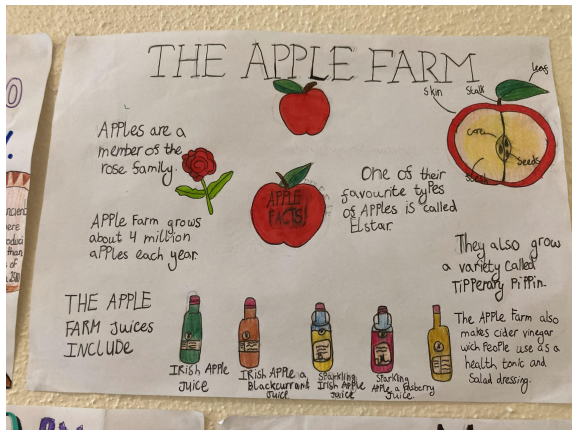
January in Rang 5

Rang a 5 enjoyed another busy and enjoyable month in school this January. We have been working hard in all subject areas and learning plenty, as well as having lots of fun along the way! We have been working hard in Gaeilge, practicing asking and answering questions about our hobbies. Our Ciorcal Cómhra have been especially engaging, and a great way to build our confidence chatting in Irish.

We also really enjoyed learning about farming and food production locally in Clonmel and were amazed to realise how many products were being produced locally. The girls all felt great pride at living in the Golden Vale. Following all the girls' hard work we held a little party where the girls enjoyed tasting some of the local products.

Finally, we have been creating hats and headpieces created completely from recycled materials. It has been amazing to see the creativity the girls have demonstrated over the last few weeks and we are looking forward to sharing our completed products with other classes. Hats off to Rang 5 for all their hard work!





Senior Infants - Ms.Fitzgerald

What a busy January Ms. Fitzgerald's Senior Infants had! We discussed our hopes and dreams for 2023 and created some lovely handprint art. We also got to sample lots of different types of fruit and vegetables as part of the 'Food Dudes' programme and learned how important fruit and vegetables are to help us grow and be healthy. We gave a thumbs up for any new fruit and veg that we tasted! January 25th was a special day as we celebrated Grandparents day. Some grandparents visited the school and we remembered any grandparents who couldn't be here on the day. We all made a beautiful tree to give to them to thank them for 'helping us grow'. Our themes of the month were 'Antarctica and the 'Library'. We learned so many fun facts about Penguins and check out the Library we built during Aistear time! A super start to the New Year from all in Senior Infants. 😊



Gaeilge!



In January we started to improve our Gaeilge throughout the whole school! Girls from the Senior Classes are paired with the Junior Classes. The Senior Classes go down every week and help teach the Junior Classes some useful phrases with the aid of our new puppet friends! Everyone is making a real effort to speak Gaeilge. Maith sibh!



Miss Keating's First Class

The New Year got off to a great start in First Class! Here are some of the things we have been learning about during the month of January:

P.E.:

We have been busy in the lunch room practising our Gymnastics skills! We focused on the pencil roll and the forward roll during our lessons.



Catholics Schools Week:

First Class created beautiful cards to show their appreciation for their amazing grandparents, as part of Catholic Schools Week! Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who kindly paid us a visit on 25th January 2023.

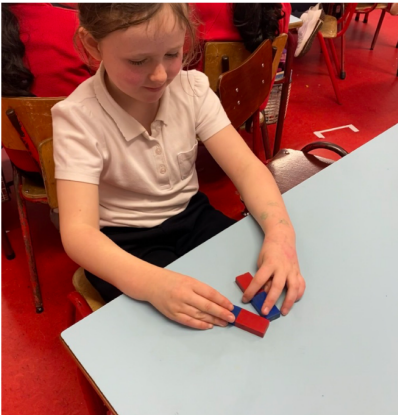


Art:

We have been learning about Tom Crean, a very famous explorer from Co. Kerry, Ireland. Take a look at our wonderful Antarctica-inspired artwork from January. Looks a bit chilly! ❄️

S.E.S.E.:

This month we also learned about Magnetism. We experimented with lots of different objects such as pencils, spoons, erasers and coins. We learned that magnets attract objects made of metal. The girls enjoyed using the giant horseshoe magnets to test if they would attract or repel the little iron filings. Can you spot our findings from the pictures below?



Ms Kirwan's Second Class

A very busy start to the New Year in Second Class. The girls enjoyed learning about the Chinese New Year, how it is celebrated and the various traditions associated with it. We learned that 2023 is the year of the Rabbit. We were invited to the Museum for a guided tour. The girls learned a lot about the history of the town of Clonmel and even got to try on some costumes. It was a very enjoyable day. The Picker Pals Program is still in full swing and the girls have been doing great work to look after their local environment. Well done girls!! For PE this month we explored the strand of Gymnastics and the girls focused on different types of jumps, different ways of balancing, different types of rolls and different ways of travelling on the bench. We are also enjoying our football every Thursday with Brian. An active and enjoyable start to the New Year, full of fun and learning :)





Ms. Doyle's Junior Infants

What a great start to the New Year for all in Ms. Doyle's Junior Infants. January was a fun-filled and busy month for all of the boys and girls as we packed in many exciting activities. We had great fun learning all about the Gymnastics Strand in P.E and enjoyed practicing our new skills each week. Look at us go!



We also took part in 'Food Dudes' and started our 'Incredible Edibles' journey, discussing the importance of healthy food to help our bodies grow. We had big smiles on our faces as we got to taste some delicious fruit and vegetables along the way. Our helpers made sure everyone got to nibble on some healthy treats!



During the month we explored the theme of 'The Arctic'. We enjoyed learning about the Arctic animals and even drew some Arctic penguins along with creating our very own 'melted snowmen'.

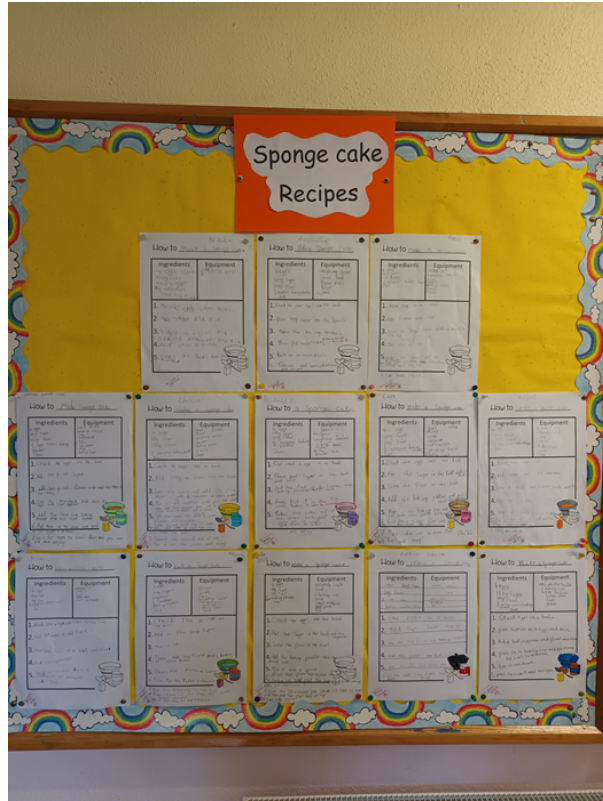


We finished off our busy month by delving into the theme of 'Houses and Homes'. Check out the great fun we had engaging in 'The Three Little Pigs' story along with constructing our own houses. A fun-filled month full of laughter and learning was had for all in Junior Infants.



Ms. O' Connor 2nd Class

January was a very busy month in 2nd Class. We learned about the features of procedural writing in English. We wrote a recipe for a sponge cake. We enjoyed baking the cake and eating it. In Art we designed our own imaginative cakes. We also learned all about the planets and Neil Armstrong's trip to the moon. We celebrated Grandparent's day during Catholic Schools Week. Some of our grandparents visited the classroom. We sang songs and played the tin whistle for them. We interviewed them and asked them questions about when they were younger. We also remembered our grandparents who couldn't be there on the day. In P.E. we developed our Gymnastics skills such as jumping, rolling and balancing. Well done on all your hard work girls.



Rang a ceathair le Ms. Walsh

January started off as a busy month for fourth class.

We celebrated Grandparents Day and enjoyed the visit from some of our Grandparents. The class drew some lovely pictures of their grandparents and made a lovely banner to welcome them.

We were learning about the different types of houses in history and the girls constructed some fabulous houses.

Rang a trí Ms Murphy

We kicked off our New Year by creating our New Years resolutions. We learned about New Years Eve traditions all over the world and even created our own fireworks. We have been learning all about Tom Crean in SESE. We completed our first projects based on Tom Crean. We finished our novel 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo. It was a real page-turner and left us with lots of unanswered questions.

We enjoyed Grandparents Day. It was wonderful to have our Grandparents come to visit our classroom. We played games, sang songs, played the tin whistle and spoke about school life then and now.

Music is in the air in 3rd class! We started learning the Tin whistle, we have already learned three songs. Some of our class have also started learning the violin after school. We are having great fun making wonderful music together!





Mr Connery's Senior Infants

We had a busy month in Senior Infants in January. The highlights of the month was to be able to welcome Grandparents back into the school for Grandparents Day. It was a lovely occasion for everyone and after we said our poem about Kindness and friendship, we performed one of our favourite songs as Gaeilge "An Maith Libh Rock and Roll". The grandparents were then put to work with fun activities and games to play with the children. It really was great to have such a lovely turnout in the class after such a long absence over the past few years.

We also started football with coach Brian Whyte and it is great to see such an interest from all the boys and girls. There could be a few stars of the future in my class so I can't wait to see how they keep progressing each week and beyond.





Senior Infants- Ms O' Brien

Ms. O' Brien's senior infant class was a very active bunch this month. They took part in a lot of enjoyable activities. We practiced fundamental movement skills. We put particular emphasis on football and gymnastics this month. We got to take part in football with Brian where we learned how to solo the ball.

We were very lucky that our Grandparents came to visit the school this month, which was very exciting as we missed them over the past few years. We got to show them our lovely artwork and we performed our special grandparent's poem.

