



Welcome to St George's Summer Newsletter

Junior Infants



Ms Mullan's Senior Infants

Our class has been very busy this term. We learned about how to plant seeds and grew our own sunflowers. In Art, we made our own binoculars which we tested out on our nature walk around the school. We saw so many interesting insects, flowers and even strawberries! We have really enjoyed all our Aistear activities such as ICT games on the tablets, sand, blocks and role playing the vets and restaurant. We did an experiment on floating and sinking and had fun testing out the various objects. We are having our Sports Day next week and can't wait!



MS Quinns Infants

Ms Quinn's Infant Class are Busy Bees!



We learned all about bees. Bees are necessary for our ecosystem. Here are some things we learned about bees:

- There are lots of types of bees and they all have different jobs.
- Bees live in hives.
- Bees collect nectar from flowers to make honey.



- Bees have six legs and four wings.
- Some bees don't have stingers.
- We should thank bees for our fruit.
- There's no need to be afraid of bees.

We also looked at the importance of recycling. We recycled toilet roll tubes and made binoculars. We really enjoyed bringing our binoculars for an environmental adventure to see if we could spot some bees. We saw plenty!



Ms. McMahon's 1st Class

1st Class have had a wonderful term, full of fun learning and hard work. We've had a very busy few weeks. We had Seachtain na Gaeilge where we learnt an Irish dance called Shoe the Donkey. Then we had Intercultural week where we learnt all about the New Zealand Maori culture, and made fabulous pendant necklaces. We also learnt a German folkdance called 'Come to Me' (Tar chugam as Gaeilge).



We released the 9 butterflies that we had raised from caterpillars, one even flew back into Ms. Corrie's room (we think it missed us).

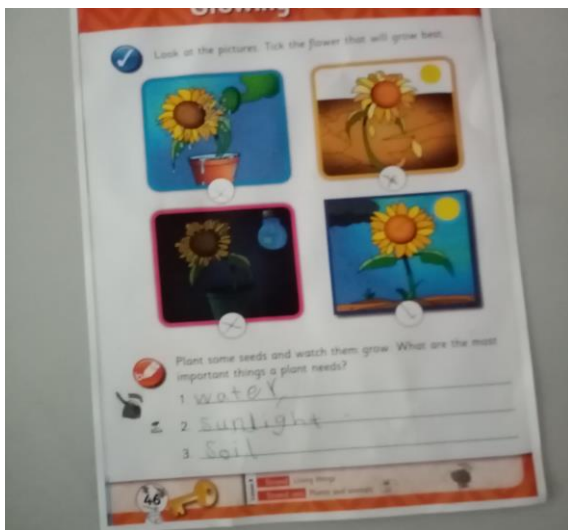
In PE we learnt about orienteering and map reading in our outdoor and adventure series of lessons.

One of our more exciting art projects was the making of hedgehog shaped pencil holders.



Mr Joyce's 1st Class

We have been busy over the last few weeks. We broke up compost and made our flowers. They are still growing! We also made a lovely class friendship poster for our wall for Friendship week. In art we made clay suns. We also made weighing scales from coat hangers in Maths and weighed objects in the room. We have loved PE where we were chasing around the yard looking for cones.

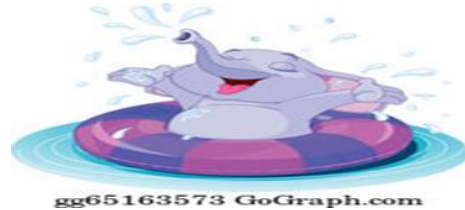


Mr Higgin's 2nd Class

Here in 2nd Class, we recently presented the monthly school assembly. We decided to base the assembly on the theme of traveller culture and heritage in Ireland. We really enjoyed learning all about the family life, history, language and traditions of the travelling community. We also discovered that members of this community love their art and their music. Finbar Furey is one of the most famous of these musicians and we enjoyed listening to his music!



We would like to say a very big thank you to everybody that helped us this year. It was a challenging year, but it was great to see people working together so well. We hope you all have a lovely, relaxing summer. See you in September!



Mr. Higgins and the pupils of 2nd Class

Ms Storey's 2nd Class

We have been very busy in 2nd class for our final term! We celebrated Friendship week, Anti Bullying Week, Active Week, Seachtaine na Gaeilge and Intercultural week! We were so happy when we won the Maith Thú card competition for using our Irish throughout the day and feel very proud of ourselves.

We celebrated world book day in our class this year by making Book covers and we were so excited to win the Door decorating competition! We are all big Roald Dahl fans and decided to read Charlie and the Chocolate factory together as our class novel. We found the story very funny and interesting and are very proud of our book reports when they were finished.

We were learning about keeping healthy and staying fit. We did lots of work on looking at exercise, diet and even our sleep. We were running laps every day and doing lots of movement breaks in class. We are using mobility balls in the classroom which change pods every week which all really enjoy using. We then had a visit from Nurse Emma on Zoom who taught us about what a nurse does every day, how to become a nurse, how they help people and how to stay healthy.



We also celebrated Art all day! We began the morning by creating clay butterflies using modelling clay. Next, we planned and made Under the Sea dioramas using lots of different materials from around the classroom. Finally, we did some sewing with Ms Corrie using Hessian and wool. We really enjoyed our day. This week we are Tie Dying white t-shirts. It is a little bit tricky, but we are really enjoying it!



Ms Gill's 3rd Class

In 3rd Class we have been having lots of fun learning about where our food is sourced as part of the Incredible Edibles Programme.

We looked at the packages of our fruits and vegetables to find out where they were grown and why they are grown in certain climates and conditions.

We had a Zoom interview with Brian Mc Carthy, a farmer, who showed us around his rooftop farm in Cork city where he is growing a variety of fruits and vegetables that he sells at the local farmers market.

In class we grew a variety of vegetables such as spinach, lettuce, peas, radishes, and beetroot. We had lots of fun watching them grow and then we were able to take them home. We also enjoyed making smoothies, fruit skewers and we did a blindfolded taste test of different fruits and vegetables.



Ms Heffernans's 3rd Class

This Term we have had a very busy term. We enjoyed participating in lots of activities for active week including basketball, athletics and outdoor adventure. We were very proud of ourselves when we completed 2215km as a class in our daily jogging 'Run around Ireland' challenge. We found learning about famous artists like Picasso very interesting and enjoyed making portraits in the style of this artist. Together we decorated our class door for book week and we really enjoyed two books our classmates wrote. They are so exciting you can come find them in our class library. We have learned lots and had a lot of fun in 3rd class. We are now looking forward to our Summer holidays and having a well-deserved rest ☺

Happy Holidays From...

Ms. Heffernan's 3rd Class





Ms Anderson's 4th Class



This term has been packed with lots of achievements here in 4th class. We have become "wizzes" with our long multiplication in Maths. In Art we learnt all about Gaudi and his famous mosaics and architecture in Barcelona. Following this we created some lovely mosaic butterfly pictures. To celebrate the summer season, we painted our own "beach" pictures. During Seachtain na Gaeilge, we had the chance to learn three traditional songs 'Trasna na dTonnta', 'Óró Mo Bháidin' and 'An Bhfaca Tú Mo Shéamuisín'. We also read all about Irish Travellers, Gypsy and Roma culture, and practiced drawing caravans! During Intercultural week, Ms Anderson taught us about France and French culture & cuisine, famous tourist attractions, the artist Monet and the French inventor Louis Braille. We had fun trying to read and write in Braille with its many dots! We have also been learning to speak 'en francais'!

Our Sigma and Micra tests are now complete...we've had a really successful final term in 4th Class



Ms Kelly's 4th Class

We have been very busy in 4th class this term. We have done lots of exciting things. Book week, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Friendship week and Active week are just some of the fun activities we participated in. We also learned about Travellers in our community and respecting other cultures. We are lucky to have two students in our class who are Muslim and they were able to tell us first hand all about the festival of Eid which was celebrated on May 13th this year. In PE we got to do lots of orienteering activities. Teacher gave us maps of the playground to navigate and we had to find letters at various points on the map. Another day we had to recognise and find familiar features from photographs taken in the yard. It was challenging but very interesting.

In Science class we worked on our skills of predicting, observing, evaluating and recording. We carried out experiments to measure the strength of magnets and investigated the effects of friction and ramps. At times it was surprising to see the results and we enjoyed comparing them with our own predictions.

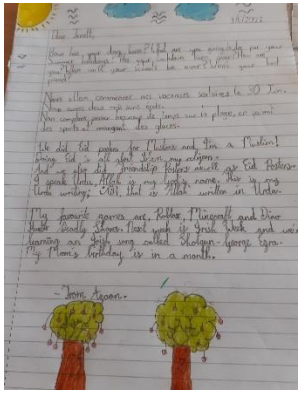
When we were learning about symmetry in Maths, we got to design our own Summer Symmetrical butterflies. We invented lots of different patterns to decorate them and covered them in glitter. This took us a while to complete as we added a lot of detail to them. We were very pleased with our final pictures. In art we also painted some "Under the Sea" scenes. We coloured tropical fish and created various items to include in our sea pictures which may be found beneath the sea e.g. seaweed, coral, submarines etc. These pictures are on display outside our class and are receiving lots of compliments from passer by's.

We said a final farewell to our penpals in Nice, France with our last letters. We loved receiving post from them and we enjoyed learning about their country and language. We are hoping to continue our correspondence with them once we return to school in September.

This year has been a year like no other- with continuous handwashing, sanitising, pods, bubbles and lockdowns. Despite all this we had the best fun and are still looking forward to Sports Day, Our Trip to the Beach and a Virtual Croke Park Tour to complete the year.

Happy Summer Everyone!





MS Moore's 5th Class

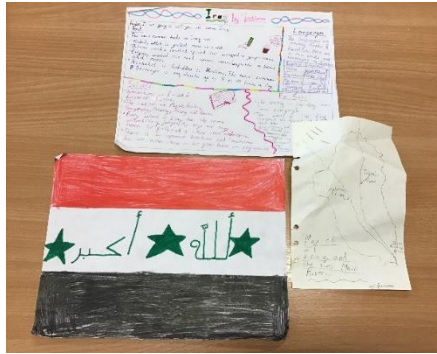
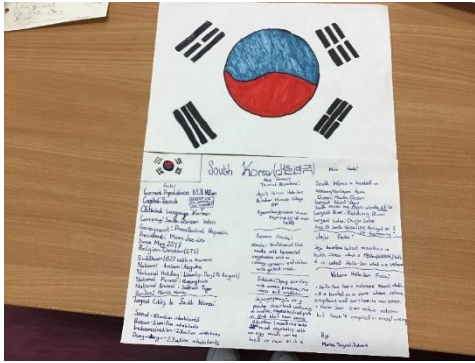
Intercultural Week

Welcome to Ms. Moore's 5th class,

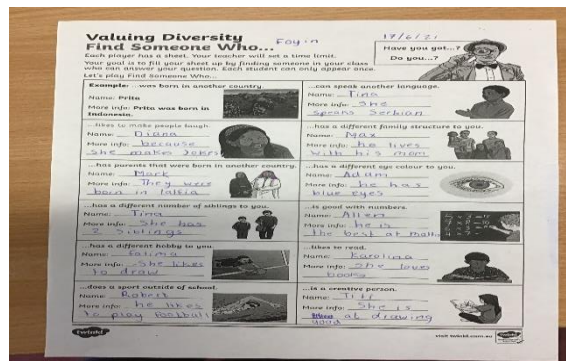
Woah! It's nearly the end of the school year! There are a lot of things happening, and one of them is Intercultural Week. My class did a few things for Intercultural Week.

1. We drew pictures of flags and we wrote fact files on whichever country we picked. Then we presented it in front of the whole class and we learned a lot of new things from loads of different countries. It was really fun.





2. We completed an activity on Valuing Diversity. For example, 'find someone who was born in a different country' so we would have to find a person that was born in a different country. Everyone talked to each other, and we got to know everyone better.



3. We looked at the Diversity Code and discussed it.

4. Pupils wore Native outfits from their country. They all looked nice and very different.



It was so interesting and fun learning about all the other types of countries and diversities. I hope you enjoyed reading this. Always remember, never judge a book by its cover :)



Ms Spellman's 5th Class

This week in 5th Class we celebrated 'Intercultural Week'. Our class had an amazing time learning all about diversity and different cultures.

We enjoyed looking at Powerpoints about different countries and we had the chance to complete a project on our own countries. Many people brought in traditional clothing, pictures of food and many other interesting objects from their countries. We shared information about traditions, famous landmarks and the history of our countries.

One interesting fact about our class is that we have children from 15 different countries! We all really enjoyed participating in 'Intercultural Week' and discovering what beautiful and unique cultures we come from.

Laura, Nina and Michelle



Ms Needham's 6th Class

I think that one of my favourite memories from 6th class would be having zoom meetings with the rest of the class during the second lockdown. I personally liked zoom classes because they were very informative and interesting. Also, Active week was really great. Getting fit and active was really good for us. We did lots of activities including laps, basketball, orienteering and other fun activities. Another great thing we did was our art. We decorated, designed and made some amazing keychains and this was a great way for us to remember our time in 6th class.

Another wonderful thing we did in art was painting and designing masks. This was an amazing thing to do because everyone could put their wonderful and unique designs on the masks. We also had an amazing range of wonderful projects we did this year. This year has been great for



us but it has also been hard because of the virus. As you may know we had to social distance, have pods and not share equipment. So, you see this year has been confusing because of the pandemic but we have all enjoyed the other activities, and we are all very grateful for being able to do 6th class this year.

Another great and fun thing we learned to do was coding. Coding is an educational and fun way of learning code it was such a special enjoyment. And as this month is known as GRTHM we have done some amazing art by Gabi Jiminez, his work is really inspiring and made our classroom wall bright with colour. So, this year has been a really great year and we would also like to thank all our teachers for helping us through the pandemic and preparing us for secondary school. They have all been so generous and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their help.

Yours truly,

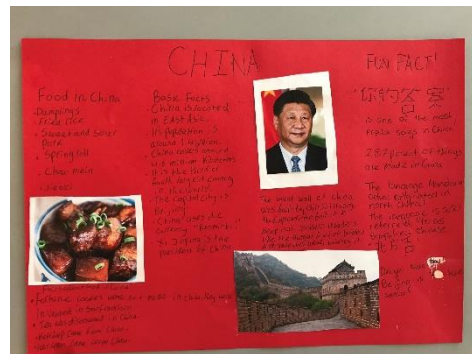
Sarah P and Stacey 6th class.



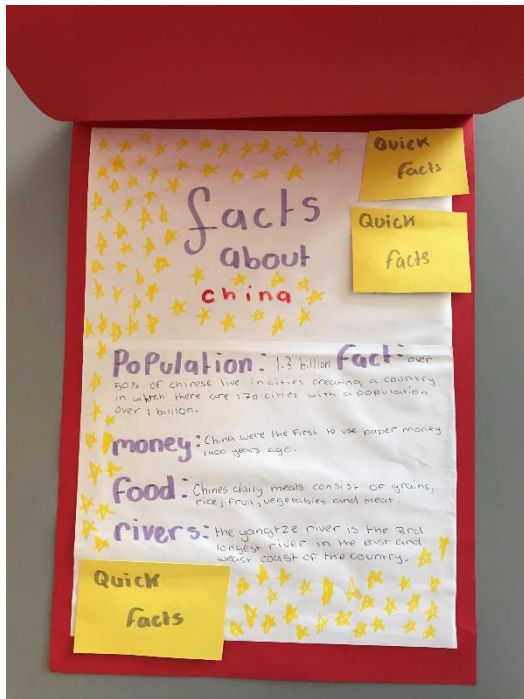
Ms Bennett's 6th Class

In sixth class we were learning about volcanoes and how lava comes out of them. We did experiments using baking soda, vinegar and food colouring to represent volcanoes.

This term, we wrote about China and made a project on it. We could work on our own, in pairs or groups. We started brainstorming topics to include in our projects first. Then we did some research using the Ipad and began creating our projects. We got some pictures printed and stuck them onto the project. Then we wrote the details and a lot of information. I enjoyed working on our projects!



By Fabian





Dear parents, guardians and members of our community,

As you can see it has been a wonderful term and we managed to do fantastic work despite Covid working conditions. Well done everyone! Thank you all for your wonderful support and co-operation through this challenging time. Best wishes to you all for a safe, happy and sunny summer. Booklists are on the website and a copy of all classes booklists has been sent to Academy Books, Southgate in Drogheda and the Book haven in Balbriggan for your convenience also.

Le gach deaghuí

Elaine

**Happy Holidays to all the pupils of St
George's N.S.**

**School reopens on Wednesday 1st September 2021 at
9am**

