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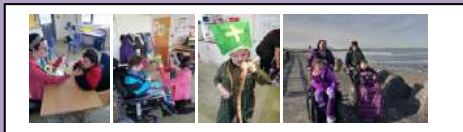
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Daughters of Wisdom – St. Cecilia's School was founded in 1965 by the Daughters of Wisdom who have been our patron body ever since. The Sisters have made the difficult decision to return to Romsey in England. We would like to thank them for their commitment to the school and invite anyone connected with St. Cecilia's to attend a mass at the Cathedral on Saturday April 1st at 3pm to celebrate their achievements.

Lifting our senses!

We have been busy this term exploring the theme 'Growing' in Orange Class. We went on our community outing to buy seeds which we then planted in our school garden. We also enjoyed a variety of sensology lessons exploring spring. We have really enjoyed sensory stories relating to growing and planting. We had a wonderful day on St Patrick's Day, dressing in green for our school parade and we loved all the musicians and activities.



How's it growing?!!

We have been exploring all things growing this term. We have visited the garden centre where we saw all the plants and baby animals. We bought some seeds and have been planting them. We are watching them carefully and looking after them to see how they are growing and are very excited that some are sprouting already. We have been looking for all the new life growing all around us also and have been keeping an eye out for new flowers and any baby animals in the fields while out walking.

Congratulations to Mark.

We would all like to congratulate Mark on his upcoming marriage to Mary. We would like to wish them every happiness in the future.



Dates for the Diaries...

★ School closing on Friday 31st March at 12:30 for Easter.

School opens on Monday 17th April for term 3. ★

★ School closed on Monday 1st May for Bank Holiday.

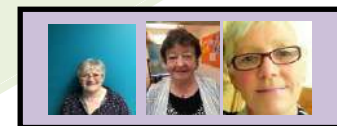
Monday 15th May closed for training. ★

★ School closed on Friday 2nd June, Monday 5th June and Tuesday 6th for Bank Holiday.

Fond Farewell –



Geraldine, Mary and Liz have recently all retired from St. Cecilia's. We would like to thank them for their dedication as SNA's and as our school nurse. We would like to wish them a happy, relaxing retirement.

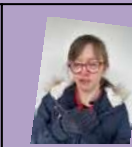


Growing Up Strong

Gold Class has been busy with our new theme, growing. We are learning how to care for ourselves and for others. Healthy eating is teaching us how our bodies can grow strong. In January we decided not to eat sugar in class, other than natural sugars. We are doing great with trying fruit and vegetables. Daily walks and exercise are also an important part of learning to stay fit. In Gold Class, we have been enjoying music generation and drumming. World book Day was great fun for us, we brought in our favourite books from home.



Do you know these LÁMH signs?



QR Corner

Our Green Schools Committee have been working very hard on the travel challenge. If you have missed out on any photographs head over to our blog or twitter pages. Scan the QR code for more info on our travel challenge.

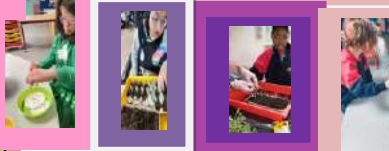


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FEATURING OUR FACES!

We have been learning about the parts of our faces and what they can do. Aidan, Sarah and Aibhe have been making collages of their own faces and using the Prowise Board to place features to make silly faces. Pablo and Rory have been identifying their features using mirrors and exploring their senses. We have also been doing a lot of planting as part of our topic on "Growing". We have made funny cress heads and also have set up an experiment to see whether seeds need light, water and soil to grow. We had some messy fun re-potting our "Jack and the Beanstalk" beans, they have grown so much! And finally, we are in the sunflower race... Aibhe is winning so far, but Sarah and Rory are not too far behind. We are keeping our fingers crossed for a Yellow Class win!



Creative Committee

On February 20th the creative committee took over our Croke Park session. In a very informative session we were shown sensory art ideas, such as bubble painting, and the use of fabric to construct real and imagined stimuli. We are all looking forward to putting the ideas into action as part of our Visual Arts Curriculum.



Green Fingers

We have been continuing to work on our short course, Food Glorious Food in Pink Class. We have learned about where our food comes from and how to grow different types of plants in the classroom. We visited the garden centre in Sligo to choose seeds that we planted in class, and we are having a great time watering and caring for them. We are in the process of planning our Classroom Based Assessment (CBA) for our end of year assessment so we can put all our learning to good use.



Tasty Treats - Green Class

We have been doing a lot of baking and are enjoying eating all the tasty pancakes, buns and scones. We are growing a lot of seeds and watering the young plants every day. We had a ball on Wed 15th at the St Patrick's Day Celebration - extra special for our Orlaith who was celebrating her 16th birthday.

Buttering up the Birds! -

We have had a great term learning all about growing and lots of other things. We have made bird feeders from old plastic bottles. We covered them in peanut butter and then stuck bird seed to them. We have hung them outside the classroom and can see all the birds using them each day from White Class. We sowed some seeds and are watering them and watching them grow bigger and bigger each week!! We are having a great time in the new school library. Each week we go there to read stories and explore books. We had such a great day of Irish culture and music just before St.Patrick's day. We loved all the music the visitors performed and had brilliant fun at the Ceilí.

The Right Choice!

We have enjoyed numeracy through investigating objects and language in relation to measurement and participating in recording and displaying number and/or familiar data in Red class. In Communication and Literacy we have enjoyed further use of the project core boards to explore our theme of growing and to learn about St Patrick's Day and select a choice of clothing. Also we have had several students take part in athletic events including Special Olympics in Athlone and the Sligo rowing Blitz.

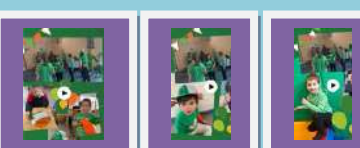


Planting a Seed- This term Purple Class have been learning about things that grow. We have been busy planting cress seeds and watching them grow, learning about a Very Hungry Caterpillar, the Lifecycle of a Butterfly and creating lots of nice art pieces. The boys have loved our weekly 'Music Generation' sessions they love experimenting with different instruments. We have also had a super time using our new school library, they boys especially love sound books. We were busy making some nice crafts for St. Patrick's Day, very special cards for Mother's Day and Easter egg wreath's coming up to the break. We are looking forward to our last term filled with science week experiments, sports week, more community outings and lots more fun. We can't wait!



Parading our learning

Silver Class enjoyed our St. Patrick's Day celebrations. We made hats and participated in the parade around the school. We loved learning about rhythm and tone in Music Generation sessions with our friends from other classrooms and we have been growing plants from seeds for our theme.



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The signs for this newsletter are happy and sad

Growing Up Green - We have been looking at how we have grown from when we were born until now, and we have been keeping a record of how tall we are, and how much we continue to grow in Blue Class. We also enjoyed the visit of local Gardaí, who helped us to promote our road safety theme for Green Schools. We tested our trampoline and balance skills as we attended GymAble. We made lots of noise during our drumming and music generation sessions and enjoyed celebrating St. Patrick's Day, and enjoyed dressing up for World Book Day!