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### Farewell to Senior Students

We would like to wish a fond farewell to our 5 senior students who will be leaving St. Cecilia's School this year. It has been a pleasure to be a part of your individual growth and development over the years and we would all like to wish you the very best for your futures.

*Congratulations to Alannah, Ross, Kealan, Leah and Roisin.*



### Dates for the Diaries...

★ Graduation ceremony for school leavers on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 11am.

School closes on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 12:30pm for the end of term. ★

★ School based Summer Programme starts on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> of June at 9:20am.

Summer programme finishes on Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup> ★

★ Term 1 of the 2022/2023 academic year starts on September 1<sup>st</sup> @ 9:20am.

Green schools have been as busy as bees this term. We had great success with our 'No idling campaign' which we ran with assistance from our Green school's travel officer Áine. We asked all of our bus drivers to turn off their engines until they were ready to leave the school and this will help to keep the air nice and clean. We have also made a video to demonstrate which items and materials go in the different bins. We recently purchased new green recycling bins for each classroom.



### We Need Water!

We enjoyed exploring our theme of water in Orange Class. We participated in a sensory water themed board game, experienced paint spinning using water and food colouring, operated an airbrush to spray water and paint and we also spent time in our sensory garden watering plants with a hose!

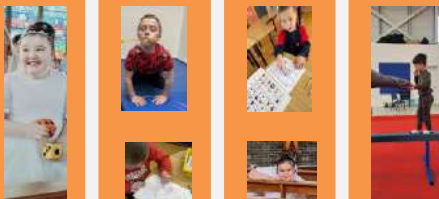
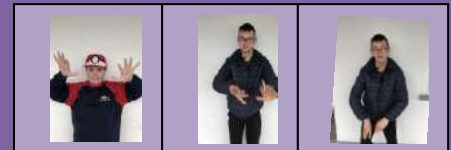


### Neon, Natural Ice Cream

Red class have been working with Rebecca our visiting artist this term. Rebecca is working with us in our sensory room using UV light and different luminous textures each week. The glow in the dark shaving foam and neon rice and pasta has been our favourite so far. We have enjoyed other forms of art using natural materials to make print, our wildflower prints came out exceptionally well. We have mastered using our schedules this term and all our students have got very good transitioning from one location to another using our pictures. We enjoyed social trips to different playgrounds and to Mama Johnsons for some delicious ice cream. We are all very excited for our school tour on June 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be going walking with the Alpacas in Glencar.

**WELL, WELL WELLNESS!** We have had a very busy few weeks in Blue Class and have enjoyed our theme of water! Some of us celebrated our First Holy Communion. We have worked hard on our toileting and improving our independence. Teamwork and working together has been a focus for us and we are getting very good at it. We are all able to scribe, drawing straight lines and curves. We enjoyed visiting GymAble and using the different equipment. We have been very active too, practicing Yoga as often as we can and going for walks on our social outings and around Cregg.

### Do you know these LÁMH signs?



## QR Corner

St. Cecilia's School and the ATP (Action Team Partnership) would love to see everyone get up and out this summer in preparation for a great new initiative coming your way in August. Scan the code and see what Sligo Sport and Recreation are offering in your area. *St. Cecilia's School accepts no responsibility for the content of external websites. No particular company/brand are advocated /recommended-these are for awareness raising only.*



## Water, water everywhere!

Water has definitely been Purple Class' favourite theme so far. We have explored lots of different uses for water but creating bubbles has definitely been the winner. We have listened to lots of rhymes and stories with the theme of water and created boats/fish in art. We have also really enjoyed exploring water in the environment from visiting the sea, waterfalls and especially splashing in puddles.



## Active School Flag

Active Flag week took between June 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>. We held a "World Cup of Boccia" tournament across the school, with the Champions coming from Orange Class. It was great to see everyone walking and cycling and getting active. Photos of the week can be found on our social media pages. Thank you to Shane, John and Ben for their organisation of a great week.

## Kids Own Publishing

This term we were delighted to start work with artist Anna Spearman as part of our book project. We are working on a theme of self-discovery and well-being so students in Gold Class are enjoying the experience of process art. This means the art we create is more focused on the process over the end product. Over the last few weeks we have worked outdoors, with 3D sculpture, fabric and fibre as well as printing. It's been wonderful to see the students all so engaged with just a little guidance from Anna the artist. Every day we mention our dear friend Erin who has been absent from school due to having an operation and we all hope we will see her very soon.



## Wishy Washy Water

The new theme water has made a big splash in Silver Class! Water is everywhere as we are using lots of water in our learning. Water has been used in visual arts for marble ink printing, the sounds of water make nice music, splashing in puddles with our wellies around school has been fun. A beach trip gave us a bit of calmness and mindfulness. We are reading Mrs. Wishy Washy and having fun learning about washing. We have become great at washing our hands and faces. Wishy Washy, Wishy Washy! We have been practicing our school vocabulary words using Lámh: wet, dry, and water. A highlight for Silver Class has been swimming sessions and learning how to enjoy the pool. A big congratulations to Jenny and Aaron for making their First Holy Communion!

## Water lot of sounds!

In Navy Class this term we have enjoyed working on the theme of 'Water.' We love water based messy art and have on display in our classroom some marbling work that we really enjoyed. We have been listening to water themed music and songs such as 'the underwater song,' and we have visited local areas with prominent water features such as Glencar waterfall and Mullaghmore. We hope you all have a wonderful summer!

Learning Outside - We have had a busy term in Green Class, We have really enjoyed the improving weather. We have helped clear some flower beds in the school garden, we have been using the wheel chair swing and we had a great time making our stone spiral during outdoor classroom day. We hope you all enjoy your summer break!!



## Amber Flag

This year St. Cecilia's put in an application for an AMBER FLAG AWARD, acknowledging schools and institutions that promote positive mental health. Our committee set 4 targets and we got to work, starting with our fundraiser, "Let's Celebrate Irish Culture" day. Our "Wellness Day" was very relaxing and some of our staff are now trained in YOGA and mindfulness.

We found out last week that we are successful in our application and have been awarded an Amber Flag. Well done everyone and good mental health.

**THE AMBER FLAG**  
PROMOTING POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH

## QQI Success

This term in White Class some of the students have been finishing their assessments for their QQI qualifications. They have worked so well and have all been awarded their respective qualifications it is such a huge achievement from them congratulations. In Numeracy we have looked at collecting, interpreting and presenting data from a range of different sources. White Class in Communication Literacy and Language, have been both writing and typing notes. We have also been working on the computer to identify information for the Internet and include them in a range of projects. Additionally we have been continuing our theme of water in our Junior Cycle level 1 and 2 programs. The students have made various pieces of art based around the theme of water. We even used water pistols to paint!



## WONDERFULLY WATERY

This term Yellow Class have been exploring and appreciating water in our local environment. We had a misty visit to the Glencar waterfall and found out how loud it was! We celebrated Rory's birthday in the sun, by the lake and were joined by some local ducks. We visited the beach and almost got blown away! Sligo has lots of water, and weather! We've enjoyed exploring the natural objects we have collected. We wove a picture with things we collected on our walks around Cregg and created a seascape with things we collected at Streedagh. And of course, with the Sligo weather, we've had lots of opportunities to put on boots and jump in puddles!

## Super Swimmers

Pink Class were the first to get their feet wet, as we got back in the swimming pool after a 2 year enforced break due to Covid 19. The students have been working hard on their Physical Education, Aquatics programmes, learning to enter the pool correctly and safely and developing their kick and direction of travel in the water. It has quickly become a favourite lesson for the students which we hope to continue next year. A big thank you to Thomas and all at Yeats Country Hotel for their support.

Do you know these LÁMH signs?

The signs for this newsletter are rain and sea.



**Staff News -** Paul will be taking a career break for the 2022/2023 academic year. Wishing him the best of luck.

Janice and Triona, Steve, Mary J and Mary Mc will continue to job share.

Mary K will be going on maternity leave.

We welcome back Joanne, Donna and Edel from their respective maternity leaves.

Anita will continue her career break for the 2022/2023 academic year.