

B.N.S. News

Compiled by Fifth and Sixth Class

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Treacherous Trenches

In WWI the trenches were damp, muddy and infested with rats! We decided to recreate this with a shoe box. Here is some tips on how to make one. First, paint your shoe box on the outside with dark green, brown and use red paint to represent blood. Then we used silver pipe cleaners on the outside for barbed wire. It was a really fun project and we do recommend you try making one.

By Leighton Kennedy and Corey Ferguson 6th class

Podium for our speeches

For the past few weeks we have been writing speeches on many different topics such as all about yourself, your ideal job and how to do or make something.

We were given a week to write our speeches and then we had to learn it. It is good as it helps us boost our confidence to stand up and talk. Luckily the school has got a podium for us to put our speeches on so if we forget a part we can look down to remember. I am so glad we got a podium because it helps so much.

By Emma Hoey, 6th class

Making a Photostory

In February 2022 5th and 6th class made a picture video on world war 1. First we had to write a script with all the facts about the war. Then we took pictures of our trenches. Then everyone was given a part to say. We had to be quiet while recording. When everyone was finished recording we put it all together and added music. It turned out great so we put it on our school website.

By Amy Burke, 6th class



Our whole school display created for Wellbeing Week! : D

What I Enjoyed Doing!



This month I enjoyed when Aileen from Creative schools visited our school. We created items from around our home using recyclable materials. I also loved learning about what species of animals that live in Antarctica and the Arctic. There are seventeen species of penguins on Earth. Did you know that there is a penguin that lives in Africa? The species is called the African penguin. Right now we are learning about superheroes. Some interesting facts include the following: The Hulk was meant to be grey, Loki and Thor are brothers and Wonder Woman was made out of clay and was brought to life, Wolverine is named after a rodent and Black Widow is named after a spider, Superman was meant to be bald and obsessed with dominating the world. In maths I liked learning about 3-D shapes because you can make nets out of paper and fold them together to make a 3-D shape but my favourite wasYoga with Ms. Judge! I love relaxing my whole body and letting the stress fly away!

By Gabriela, 5th Class

Music Generation

In school for the past year or so we have been learning how to play different instruments from "Music Generation". Pauraic from Music Generation comes to our school every Tuesday and teaches the children to play music. First, Second, Third and Fourth class are learning piano. Junior and Senior Infants have been learning amici sound thumb piano and Fifth and Sixth are learning guitar. We have learned lots of songs including 'Memories' by Maroon 5 'Blinding Lights' by The Weekend and at the moment we are learning 'Ireland's Call'. I have really enjoyed learning the piano and I hope it continues. I would like to say thank you to Pauraic for teaching us.

By Robyn Casey, 4th class

Narrative Writing

This month in 1st and 2nd class we have really enjoyed narrative writing. Firstly, we planned out our stories. We had to come up with what would happen in the beginning, middle and end of our stories. This is called a plot. We had to plan what characters would be in our story. We used describing words to describe the characters. These words are called adjectives. We gave our stories a title, this is the name of the story. We described the setting. This is where the story takes place. In the middle of the story there has to be a problem and at the end of the story the problem will be solved. This is called a solution. After we planned our stories, we wrote them into our English copies. Then we edited our stories and checked them for mistakes. Finally we published our stories by writing them out on paper with nice handwriting and an illustration. We wrote a story as a whole class. Then we wrote our stories with our friends and wrote them by ourselves.

By 1st and 2nd class

St. Brigid's Day

On the first of February, the fifth and sixth class students of Ballyleague N.S. made St. Brigid's crosses out of lovely green rushes that Mrs Fallon brought in. We made two different types of crosses. The first one was a weave type of cross and the second one was the classic St. Brigid's cross. The weave cross was quite hard to make because we needed two people in order to make it and the classic St. Brigid's cross was very easy to make. You can hang it up in your house for good luck on St. Brigid's Day.

By Leah Mimmagh, Rachel McClean & Juliet Jaison, 6th Class

PRESENTING MY LEGO

During February I got to bring in some of my lego sets and figures to school. I had so much fun showing them to everyone in my class. I created a lego sculpture of venom and of the infinity gauntlet. I also brought in a spiderman minifigure. This month I gave a speech to my class about how I hope to be a lego designer when I grow up. I hope you enjoy looking at my creation below!

By Conor Kilcoyne, 5th class



Fun in the Yard- Our chocolate Factory!

On the 12th of February 2022 we started to build our Chocolate Factory! First we got our sticks and mixed the pond of Chocolate made of water and mud and our secret ingredient. Then we made a stream in the rocks to get to our main milk system made of water and dust, located under the hedge. In our milk stream we made sure to make our milk stream slanted so it can gently flow into our main chocolate pond.

We loved creating our magical chocolate factory!

By Evie Malone, Emmie Linnane-Cassidy and James Carroll 5th Class

Upcoming Dates

World Book Day: 3rd of March, 2022

Creative Schools Session with Aideen McHugh:
9th of March, 2022

Lá Glas: 16th of March. 2022