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Monthly Memoirs November 2022

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November Birthdays:

Happy birthday to Neil, Taylor, Marc, Miroslav, Michael, Sofiiia, Noura, Ammar, Ruby, Chantelle, Kira and John.



We hope you all had a wonderful celebration!!

wish him the very best as he continues his teacher training.

Students of the month for November:



Home School Community Liaison:

Parents have participated in some wonderful holiday Arts and Crafts workshops this month. Together with David, our Home School Community Liaison Coordinator, and Amber, our Nurture teacher, they made some excellent winter wreaths and decorations. There will be more classes in the New Year - contact David Rundle on 0894771298 if you're interested in taking part!



Winter Raffle:

We are holding our annual winter raffle this year. We sent home raffle cards on Monday 28th November. Raffle cards have 15 lines at €2 a line. All cards must be returned to the office regardless of being sold or not. If you have or know of a business that would like to donate a spot prize please let Aoiffe know. Spot prizes will be displayed in our main lobby. We ask that all raffle cards are returned by Tuesday 13th of December. The draw will take place on Friday 16th of December. Winners will be contacted by phone.

New pupils:

We'd like to particularly welcome all our new children who have joined us including Sofiiia, Artur, Veronika, Mykyta and Sofiiia. We hope you have settled in well in our school.

Dates for the Diary:

Friday 2nd December Winter Fair 10am to 12.30pm
 Friday 16th December draw for the Christmas raffle
 Tuesday 20th December Annual School Christmas Dinner.
 Wednesday 21st December School closing at 12pm for the holidays

Au revoir!:

Many thanks to Philip Talty who has been working as part of his teacher placement with us since September. Philip finished his placement in our school last Friday and we

Book Competition:

Aoiffe entered Elm and Hazel class into a competition on Twitter to win €150 worth of books. We were absolutely delighted to have received a message from Ruth in Little Readers to inform us that we had won. We love all our new wonderful books!!



Website:

We are delighted with our new website which was launched during the midterm break. Please check in regularly to see any updates. We recently had a trip to the Garda station and there are some fabulous photos to be seen!! Our website address is www.eetns.ie Feel free to share with family and friends to show off the many activities and news from our school.

New staff:

We'd like to welcome Lisa Quinn and Mairéad Fahy who joined our staff since the start of November. We hope you are settling in well to our school and that you are enjoying meeting so many new people!!

Wedding news:

Congratulations to Naomi Hendy who got married last Friday. We wish you and David years of happiness together!!

Basketball:

Basketball practice began this week with Lisa and Sean. Practice will take place on Tuesdays from 2.50pm-3.20pm. We encourage any boys or girls who are interested from 3rd to 6th classes to take part.

Parent teacher meetings:

We were delighted to welcome all our parents back to our school for our annual Parent Teacher meetings. It was lovely to see so many of you in our school again!! It is very important for us that we maintain a good channel of communication between our staff and families. If you ever need to meet a member of staff throughout the year, please call the school to make an appointment and we will be happy to arrange an appointment with you.

Policy updates:

The school's child safeguarding risk assessment, child safeguarding statement and anti-bullying checklist were reviewed recently by the Board of Management. Please visit <http://eetns.ie/policies/> if you ever wish to access our policies in these areas

Covid Awareness:

Thank you for your continued cooperation in relation to Covid-19 measures in the school. We ask that all staff and children continue to use good infection prevention measures to keep everyone safe. We remind you to keep your child at home if they have any symptoms relating to Covid 19. They must not return to school until 48 hours after their symptoms have passed. As always, we advise you to take advice from your GP in relation to testing and isolation. Our main aim is to keep everyone safe and we thank all our families for their support in keeping our school safe for everyone.



Beech Class:

This month we finished reading our class novel 'The Twits' and we really enjoyed discussing the characters and their ridiculous antics! In Phonics we have been exploring the 'Magic E' and its effects on the sounds of the other vowels. We are enjoying our Ficheall chess lessons and learned about how the Rook and Knight moved. Our favourite chess game was definitely 'Radioactive Pool'. We got some great weather and loved visiting the park. We continued our partnership with our 5th Class buddies using the Chromebooks to reinforce our Maths skills. We love singing and we learned Avici's Wake Me Up as Gaeilge (Lig Mé Saor). In Irish, we learned all about the different types of weather and how to say what the weather is on a particular day.





A LEARNING ADVENTURE

Elm Class

Elm class have had a very busy month. We have been learning all about the doctor and have learned lot of new words such as 'stethoscope and thermometer'. We got to celebrate Ruby's birthday and had lots of treats and cake. We have been going on some outings such as a trip to McDonalds with our friends from Hazel class. We have even gone to the shop to do some shopping and got to buy buns... they were delicious!! We have also had lots of sensory play such as making snow from shredded paper.



Hazel Class:

Hazel Class have had a wonderful month looking for signs of winter. The weather has been so cold and wet but we have still managed our weekly walk to the supermarket and a treat visit to Mc Donald's. We did lots of great experiments for Science Week and made delicious Rice Crispy Buns that we shared with Beech class. Yoga Classes are every Thursday and we have really enjoyed taking part. We also follow Comic Yoga in class and are really improving. There has been lots of sensory play with snow, shaving foam and bubbles!



Rowan Class:

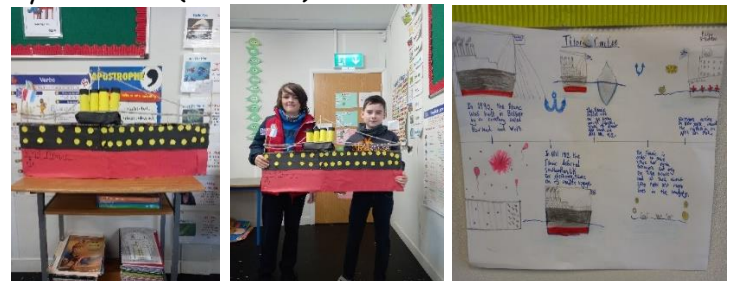
Rowan Class have had a fun-filled educational journey this November. I suppose the highlight of the month was our visit to Milano to kick-start our Italian topic. The children made pizza and shared a wonderful meal together. We also held a protest to encourage Brazil's new president Lula to look after the Amazon Rainforest for the benefit of our beautiful world.



Oak Class:

This month we learned about the tragedy of the Titanic. In Art, we made some Titanic ships as well as drawing the rooms which were aboard the Titanic. We also made some timelines with the date of when it was built, (1909 in Belfast, by a company called Harland and Wolff). The timelines also included when it left Southampton (on 10th April 1912) and arrived in Cherbourg, France before going to Queenstown. When it arrived in Queenstown it finally headed to New York. However it hit an iceberg (around 640 km south of Canada), because the captain, Captain Smith, was going too fast. When this happened, the captain called out distress signals but there was no ship nearby and the closest ship would take more than 2 hours to come. By that time, the Titanic would have already sunk. The Titanic also did not have enough of lifeboats for passengers and only enough for 1178 passengers. A rescue ship, the Carpathia did eventually rescue some surviving passengers from the Titanic and got them safely to New York on April 18th 1912.

By Ali Adnan (6th Class)



EAL Class 1:

This month in EAL class, we focused on lots of oral language and explored different themes such as myself and people who help us. Third class created beautiful inner self portraits and all-about-me boots and hoodies. Fourth and fifth class played the 'Who am I?' game and matching jobs game. They learned all about the different jobs people do in our community. Fifth class had lots of practice talking about themselves and completed lots of word searches and crosswords.



EAL Class 2:

Our EAL children have been working really hard this month learning about the themes of food and clothes. Our EAL learners from Beech and Rowan were busy sorting food into food groups and foods that they liked and disliked. Children from Willow and Oak put on fantastic performances in short dramas about restaurants and clothes shops. We also had very special visitors from Holly class who learned all about body parts. We hope to welcome more EAL children from Holly class next month!

Willow Class:

November has been an exciting month for our class! We've done lots of choir practice with other senior classes preparing for the Peace Proms in January. We travelled to UL in Limerick to practise with other schools and had a great day!! We have also started chess with Rachel and yoga classes which have been lots of fun. Willow have been helping Beech with their IXL Maths which we have really been enjoying. We're busy preparing art and projects for the Winter Fair and can't wait for next week!



Cherry Blossom Room:

In the nurture room, the children have been working hard to make a display based on the six principles of nurture. They made Zentangle designed hot air balloons and I think you'll agree that they look fantastic. The six principles of nurture are:

- Children's learning is understood developmentally.
- The classroom offers a safe base.
- Nurture is important for the development of self-esteem.
- Language is understood as a vital means of communication.
- All behaviour is communication.
- Transitions are significant in the lives of children



Holly Class:

This month in Holly class, we had our student teacher Philip working with us. We learned about the supermarket, practising our foods in English and Irish, 2D shapes, patterns, and read the Enormous Turnip which was great fun. We practised some football skills and our calm breathing skills! We had a great month and are looking forward to celebrating India this Friday at our stall. We have been learning about Diwali, which is the story of Rama and Sita, cooking chapati, trying to build the Taj Mahal and finding out interesting facts about India. We have made some spice pictures and hanging rangoli and we can't wait for you to see them.

