

#### Birthdays:

Happy birthday to all our students who have a birthday in the summer.

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Birthdays for June: Katie, Mylana, Lilian, Happy Birthday! Mykyta, John, Brian, David, Isha, Sophie, Edvard, Lexi.

Birthdays for July: Vladyslav, Nicole,

Serhii, Aaron, Sofiia, Zdenka.

Birthdays for August: Matias, Leila, Arina, Adam,

Abdulrahman, Mariia, Mykola.

## We hope you all had a wonderful celebration!!



After a year like no other, it's an opportune time to thank our parents, guardians and families for their ongoing support and understanding as we worked hard to keep our school open and keep our school community safe throughout. Adjustments had to be made to what we remember as normal school life and we are very grateful for your co-operation. Everyone in the school made the most of what we could do, rather than the things that we couldn't, and we are delighted to reflect on a very successful year overall.

We'd also like to thank our friends in SCP and CLDC who provided supports to our school throughout the year. We were very grateful to welcome Marieanne and Austin who provided art and play therapy throughout the year.

Special thanks to all the staff in the school who really put their shoulders to the wheel to ensure all children were nurtured and looked after throughout the year. Their work, co-operation and professionalism deserve special mention.

After a long year for everyone, we all welcome the summer holidays. We hope you and your families get to take some time to relax and we look forward to welcoming everyone back through our doors again on August  $31^{\rm st}$ .



# Farewell 6th Class!:

On June 28th, we had big celebrations in the school as 6th class celebrated their Graduation Day. We had a lovely ceremony in their classroom which was decorated with many photos of the children's times here in our school. After David and Sean spoke to the children, they took a trip down memory lane reminiscing through a movie created by school staff with so many photos of the children as they grew through their school life here. There were plenty of laughs watching it...and even the odd tear!! Each child then received a graduation certificate and a little book of memories which every child in the class added their own page including their best memoirs. The whole school then provided a guard of honour as they all took one last walk to soak in all the thanks and plaudits, ending with the traditional cap toss! We'd like to thank Wared, David B, Monica, Nino, Hannah, David M, Melisa, Atlanta and Osman for their individual and joint contributions to the Ennis Educate Together story. What a wonderful class you have been and true role models to the rest of the school. We wish you only the very best as you transition to secondary school and we look forward to hearing great things from you all!!



#### Holly Class:

Holly Class have had a busy and exciting month in June. We had lots of celebrations and events. We enjoyed Active Week and played lots of different sports. We had an amazing Sports day and really enjoyed the Tug of War. We celebrated the arrival of our Ukrainian families and had a wonderful day. We went to Lahinch and Moher Farm for our school tour. We played in the playground and had a long walk on the beach. There were so many jellyfish on the sand we had to be careful not to step on them. At Moher Farm we saw all Rowan Class: the animals and got to bottle feed baby lambs. We walked to the local playground and had so much fun. We learned about summer, summer clothes, weather, sea creatures and water safety. We have played lots of dice games in Maths, taking turns and trying to build the highest towers. The weather has been great and we played outside as much as possible. Our water table, soil table, chalk games, parachute games and imaginative play have kept us all very busy. We are looking forward to our summer holidays! Enjoy the sunshine everyone.







### Elm Class:

Elm class have been busy this month. We were learning all about under the sea creatures and summer. We took our classroom outside on one of our fine days and went to the shop for ice-cream. As part of our school tour we went to The Planet, where we went bowling and of surprises, including an ice cream van, a visit from a had an hour in the soft play.



June has been an eventful month so far for Rowan Class. We have been spending a lot of time out and about exploring the county. We had a wonderful class trip to the Cliffs of Mother and Lahinch beach. We spent a week trying different sporting activities and then of course we had our annual Sports Day. We also walked to Tim Smyth Park for some well-deserved fun and ice lollies.







#### Beech Class:

What a hectic month it's been! Between Sports Day, Active Week and the School Tour. Beech class has certainly been busy. We were lucky enough to have lovely weather that allowed us to go on many nature walks and excursions to the park. Ukraine Day was a resounding success. Our children sang two beautiful songs, "Count on Me" by Bruno Mars, and the Ukraine National Anthem. The school tour brought Beech to the local gymnastics club. Everyone had a great time tumbling and climbing all over the place. We then all enjoyed ice cream back at the school and enjoyed the lovely weather. Throughout the month we had a GAA trainer teaching the kids the basics of Gaelic football. During the last week the class have enjoyed a number magician, and an end of year party.



#### Oak Class

5th & 6th Class school tour:

On Thursday morning last, we put our bags full of spare clothing into the back of the bus, then boarded the bus and departed at around 9.10am. A few people were wondering if anyone else was too late to get onto the bus. It took around 30-40 minutes to get to Lahinch. People were both excited and nervous. We picked up our bags and went over to where we get the wetsuits so we could get the correct size. Then, we went over to the container nearby to change into our wetsuits. After that, we carried the surfboards the same way back and into the beach. The instructor explained what to do in order to ride a wave, which was to paddle in the same direction the wave was going so the wave carries you across instead of just pushing you up and down. Now, we were ready to surf. Once we got used to the waves, some of us tried standing up on the board. After we finished surfing, we went back into the container, changed back into our clothes, and headed back to the bus....not to go back home though, but to get our stuff from the back of the bus. When we got all of our stuff, we got ice cream with the money we brought, and some people got chips or fish & chips. Overall, I think as a class we really enjoyed surfing and we had great school tour.

By Marc (5th)



#### Hazel Class:

The Hazel Class have had a fantastic final month to round off a great year! We got to enjoy Active Schools Week and we were so proud of the participation from all of our boys! They especially enjoyed sports day and playing hockey! We also got to go to the Planet where many of the children got to go bowling for the first time and they did amazing! Happy Summer Holidays from all in the Hazel Class!!!





#### Cherry Blossom Room:

Cherry Blossom Room this month has been all about our butterflies! We received the tiny caterpillars at the end of May and have been witnessing them go through the life cycle before our eyes. It has been fascinating to observe and nurture them through each little stage from caterpillar to beautiful painted lady butterflies. We have enjoyed feeding them fruit like strawberries and watermelon but our butterflies favourite had to be oranges. It was sad to let them go but like all of our pupils in the nurture room we have to eventually let them fly free and watch them.





#### Active Schools week:

Active Week took place in the school from June 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> this year. All classes took part in lots of fun activities. A special word of thanks to Sean and Deirdre and the Active School committee for planning and organising a great week. A huge thank you to the groups and organisations in Ennis for giving up your time and showing us some super skills. A word of thanks to Ennis Hockey club, the Comets basketball club, the Banner GAA, Clare footballer Cian O'Dea and Clare sports partnership.



#### School costs:



Each year, families are required to pay for essential school costs. These costs include book rental, workbook costs, pupil insurance, art and craft costs, photocopying costs and many stationery costs also. The cost for one child is €100, €180 for two children and €250 for three children or more. It is essential that families pay these fees as they are unavoidable expenses. We ask that all families have these school fees paid by Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. If any family would like to request to set up a payment plan with regular instalments, please contact the school when we return after the holidays and an appointment can be made with David.

### Next year's classes:

Unfortunately, the school are still waiting for confirmation from the Department of Education as to how many teaching positions we will have in our school in August. As a result, we are unable to let parents know who their child's teacher is. Once confirmed, we will text all families a list of teachers in the school for next year.

#### Date for your diary:

August 30th: Return to school

See attached calendar for details of school holidays and closures for the school year 2022/2023