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Monthly Memoirs February 2025

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February Birthdays:

Happy birthday to Oisin, Jonath, Ibtisam, James, Marharyta, Muhammed, Lilly, Mackenzie, Ishioma, Caelyn and Ramzi.



We hope you all had a wonderful celebration!!

New pupils:

We'd like to particularly welcome all our new children who have joined us including Michael, Jamie, Haiqa, Faleh and Selma.. We hope you are settling in well.

Home School Community Liaison:

Craft workshops were the main event for our parents this month. We were delighted to see Andrea back again to lead our classes and we had more new parents attending for the first time. In our first workshop, we made Valentines decorations which lead to parents sharing stories of wedding culture in their respective countries. We moved on to spring decorations last week and our parents were up for the challenge! Thanks to all for their participation to date. As always, we are looking for new parents, grandparents & guardians to join our school community. Keep an eye out for up and coming events and feel free to get involved!!



Peace Proms 2025:



Our school choir have been very busy rehearsing their lyrics and dance moves for a hugely successful Peace Proms Concert which was held last week in UL. The choir met at the school at 4.45pm and didn't get back until 11pm after an epic adventure of music, dance, instruments and much much more! Our children represented the school so well and everyone had so much fun. Thanks to Jane and Amber for giving their time to choir over the last few months and to all the other staff who helped us on the day!

Ficheall:



Our "Rook Stars" chess team recently participated in a gathering of up and coming chess masters in Ennis NS. Hundreds of children participated in a very enjoyable event. Thanks to Rachel and Amber for helping our team prepare for this.

Marian Keane Basketball:



Our boys and girls teams gave their all in the Marian Keane basketball tournament held recently in Scoil Chríost Rí. The progress made after all the training sessions with Sean and Caitriona really paid off and a countback meant that a single basket was all that stopped us from qualifying for the next round. All games were played in great spirit and our two teams were a credit to the school! Well done to all involved!

Parents Association fundraiser:



We were delighted to be able to purchase Maths resources for every class in our school from proceeds raised by the raffle held by the Parents Association recently. Its great to see the hard work our parents have put into organising events in our school being able to provide such valuable learning tools fore very child in our school. We are very grateful to have such a supportive Parents Association and school community who supported their efforts.

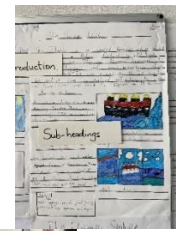
Jersey Day:



Our Active Schools committee recently organised a Jersey Day to raise funds to purchase much needed sports equipment. We had a huge variety of jerseys on display from all over the world and €270 was raised. Thanks to everyone who supported!

Rowan Class:

Rowan Class have had a busy month of learning in February. In English, we have been reading and writing non-chronological reports and discovering their features. Eventually we will be writing our own reports on a topic of our choice! Ancient Egypt is still our current topic on which we are becoming experts. We have been learning about the many Egyptian gods and about what ancient Egyptians believed happened to them after they died. In Art we made prints of popular Egyptian motifs such as the scarab beetle and the pyramids. As well as visiting the De Valera library, we also paid a visit to the Friary. We have been learning about sacred things and places and how we need to respect places and things that are special to different people. The children were so respectful during the visit.



Elm Class:

Elm class were learning all about spring this month. We learned about mother animals and their babies. We went on nature walks and saw the buds growing in the trees and saw the daffodils starting to grow. We made lovely snakes for Chinese New Year. We went on walks to Lidl and Elm café. We had lots of fun playing in Barneys. We celebrated Valentine's Day and made lots of lovely Valentine's art. We did lots of sensory play, made jig saws and played with sand.



EAL Class 2:

This month in EAL 2 our students have been learning about the people who help us in our community. We have learnt the various roles and how these people help us. To practise our vocabulary, we played snap, which the children really enjoyed. The children also discussed what job they would like to have when they are older. It seems we will have some future doctors, gardas, and teachers from Ennis Educate Together NS! We learned all about the various equipment jobs use, and the children organised each piece of equipment to the corresponding job. Before our midterm break, we created bookmarks which the children really enjoyed. Well done everyone!



EAL Class 1:

Our students from Juniors, Seniors and First Class are really enjoying their EAL sessions this month. Throughout February, we have been busy learning about the weather and people who help us. We love going outside to identify the different types of weather. We like to take on the role of the weather person and describe the weather to our group on a daily basis using our pointer, weather map and weather symbols. We have started learning about people who help us. We enjoy playing games, completing puzzles, matching, colouring and drawing activities when learning about people who help us and the weather. We also revised learning the days of the week and months of the year this month. We are learning new vocabulary in relation to Aistear: Hairdressers, Dog groomers and the pizza parlour. We love learning our new words through songs, stories, games and activities. On a daily basis, we work on our vocabulary by revising our feelings, favourite colour, hobbies and type of weather. We really enjoy working in pairs speaking English and in our own languages. We are revising all sounds learned in phonics this month. First Class are also learning to read and write words in relation to the weather, community helpers and the rainforest.



Hazel Class:

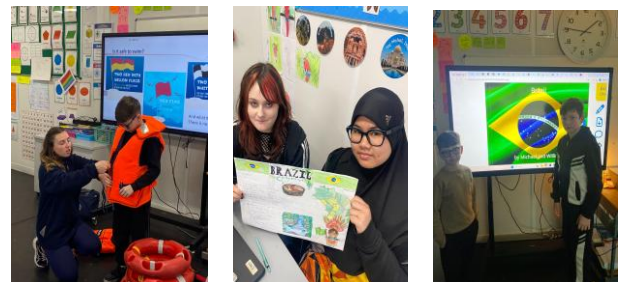
Hazel class had a very busy February getting all loved up. We spoke about Valentines and the people most important to us in our life. We started to look for signs of spring which was lovely. We had some nice walks with our friends from Elm class. We also had some fabulous singing from Aaron and Liam in Hazel class. We are learning a new song hoping everyone will join when we sing it in March.



Oak Class:

February was a fantastic month of learning and teamwork! We had a special visit from Water Safety Ireland, where we learned about staying safe and even tried on life jackets. We proudly presented our Brazil projects, showcasing our hard work and research. Everyone put in great effort, and we were so proud of our achievements! We also focused on sports, training hard for our upcoming basketball tournament in Scoil Chríost Rí. It has been an exciting month, and we can't wait for more adventures in March!

Well done Oak Class! 🌞 🏀 🇮🇪



EAL Class 3:

In EAL this month, we have been learning all about people who help us. The children have been learning the names of the people who help us in the community and describing what they do in their day to day job and what kind of equipment they need to do their job. We had some fun describing and guessing games too! The children have worked really hard.



Willow Class:

In February, France was the focus of History and Geography lessons for Willow class. We researched France and French tourist attractions and created posters and fact files. In History, we have learned about the Normans in Ireland and have been focusing on Norman castles. It was a creative month for Willow class! We created Romero Britto hearts and Valentine's robots in Art. We were also lucky enough to take part in a Creative Cluster in Scoil Chríost Rí. Climate change was the theme of this, we created vehicles for the future, birds and insects and towns from recycled materials. It was an excellent morning and we had lots of fun! We were also lucky enough to have a visitor from Water Safety Ireland. It was a very important visit and we learned about keeping ourselves safe around water. We even got to use buoys and try on life jackets!!



Ash Class:

Ash class had a very busy February. We continued working on our GAA skills with Mark every Tuesday, where we learned how to use our hurleys and sliotars. We began looking at the celebration of Ramadan which begins on February 28th. We read a book all about the celebration and created art based on the story. Our class had a lot of fun on Jersey Day and got a chance to create their own jerseys! Ash class have been learning all about the rainforest this month and have been looking at the different plants and animals that call it their home. Finally we have been looking at communication and collaboration as skills this month and we worked on building structures together in groups with some of our toys.



Holly Class:

The hairdressers was our theme this month for Aistear. We were pretending to be customers and hair stylists in the role play area. We also designed crazy hair styles using wool and playdoh. We participated in a science experiment where we tested different materials to see which would be best to make a waterproof coat for Teddy. One of our stories this month was Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Holly Class absolutely loved this story. We are still doing football with coach Mark and are learning lots of new skills and improving our running and balancing. In Maths, we are trying to improve our counting. We played maths lego games where we had to make a shape using 2 blocks, 3 blocks or 4 blocks.



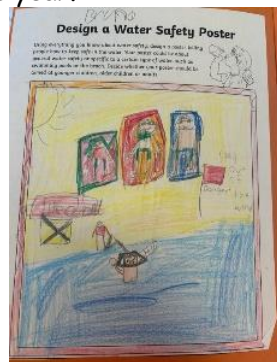
Cherry Blossom:

Pupils attending Nurture sessions have undertaken some excellent project work over the month of February. There was great cross-curricular learning in areas such as Maths, Geography, Science, History and Art during the project work. Similarly, the projects also allowed pupils a great opportunity to link learning from different subjects together. Curricular learning aside, the projects also allowed pupils to work individually and collaboratively in areas of interest of them while also developing their problem-solving and critical thinking skills.



Beech Class:

Beech Class kicked off February with a visit from the wonderful Rosie from Water Safety Ireland, who taught us all about how to keep safe around water. We practised how to throw a ring buoy by standing on the rope, shouting 'Ring buoy!' three times and launching the ring buoy with an under arm throw. After all our learning, we designed our own water safety posters! We are super proud of our Bears in Sweaters, which are finally finished, and on display around the school. Lots of teachers and SNAs have called to our classroom to tell us how much they love them. Some even think we are professional artists! In Science, we learned some fascinating facts about ants, including that they can carry up to 50 times their own body weight, and they don't have ears! Beech class are so lucky to have some very talented pupils who are willing to share their gifts with us. Sophie sang us a new song she is learning, and we liked it so much we decided to learn it ourselves. She even brought in her bass guitar to accompany us! We can't wait to sing 'The Cat Came Back' for the whole school at assembly later in the year.



Condolences:

We wish to offer our condolences to Tricia Ó'Cualáin and her family on the recent loss of her uncle. Our thoughts are with Tricia at this sad time.

Dates for the Diary

Friday, 14th March: School closed

Monday, 17th March: School closed

