

Citywest & Saggart CNS Student Newsletter

April 2021

News from the classes

Junior Infants

Mrs. Swan's class have been having lots of fun since coming back after the spring break. They have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. Lily Moody told us all about the egg, caterpillar, cocoon and butterfly. They have been reading the 'Hungry Caterpillar' and 'The Enormous Turnip'. They read 'Town Mouse, Country Mouse' during GMGY. They have been doing the letter 'g' in class and will be learning all about Kenya during Intercultural Week. They are looking forward to doing more gymnastics and 'The Café' in Aistear. It was Zara Whelan's birthday on the 29th April. She was so happy to be in school on her birthday.



Some costumes from our CSCNS Book Day



Principal's Message

Dear families,

Firstly, I would like to say a big well done to all of the children who made big efforts to dress up for our Book day. There were many different costumes on show from Willy Wonka to Rapunzel. It was lovely to see so much creativity.

We have a few exciting weeks to come. On Monday the 10th May, we will be beginning celebrating our 'Intercultural Week'. This week gives an opportunity for the children and families to reflect on their own identities and heritage as well as learning about the cultures of their peers. It is a wonderful occasion and the children will be completing lots of activities throughout the week, as well as being invited to dress in country colours and/or traditional dress on Friday 14th May.

The children will also be engaging with Creative workshops this month also as part of our Creative Schools Initiative.

Mike

Upcoming dates:

30th April – 5th May: No school (part of the bank holiday weekend)

10th May – Start of Intercultural Week

All dates are contained in the school calendar [here](#)

The new school calendar for 2021.2022 is available now on our website.

News from the classes

MS. O'Donovan's Senior Infants by Molly

Ms O'Donovan's Senior Infants have been doing some amazing work in the past month! Such as learning all about space, making moon rocks out of glitter, baking soda and water and printing moon pictures!

They are looking forward to starting the Campsite theme in Aistear and reading more books in the month to come!

They are enjoying learning about time in maths, dancing in P.E and yard time!

Their exciting news is there are lots of birthdays including Ms O'Donovan's which was last Sunday, and one of the kids got a new baby sister! I wish them the best for May!

Pia O Connor as Pippy Long stockings



Ms McMackin's class. Reporter: Kara Bayle

Ms. McMackins' class was doing lots of fun stuff! Over April, this class has been learning about their bodies! And also about money! They will definitely be looking forward to planting seeds in May!

This class has been really enjoying Bookaroo, (a game)

And SUPER EXCITING NEWS!
There is a new friend in this class! And her name is Ms Mulhere!!

Ms McMackin's class has been very busy

1st class by Emma Cuffe

On the 26th of April I got to go into Ms Kelly's 1st class and I asked her and the class a few questions.

The first question I asked them was "What is your class doing during the month of April?" and some of the things they are doing are, sounds in English, word searches, cherry blossom trees in art and playing football.

The second question I asked them was "what will you be looking forward to doing this month?" and some of the things they are looking forward to doing are playgrounds in art, 100 square in maths, P.E and sounds and writing in English.

The third question I asked them was "What are you enjoying about school at the moment?" and some of the things they are enjoying about school is yard, art, P.E, mental maths, football, maths and word searches.

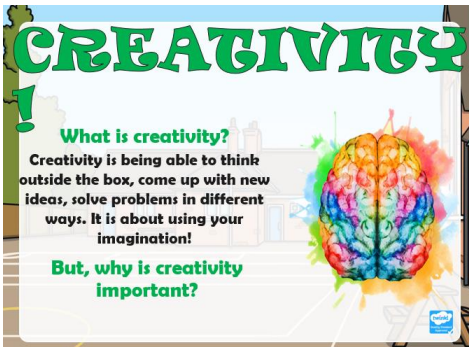
Board of Management

The board of management met on the 21st April. The minutes for the community are on the website. The next meeting will be held during the first few weeks of June. The board signed off on next year's calendar.



Our Assemblies



The theme of our latest assemblies has been 'Creativity'. Creativity comes in many different forms – problem solving, performances, ideas!



CREATIVITY

! What is creativity?
Creativity is being able to think outside the box, come up with new ideas, solve problems in different ways. It is about using your imagination!

But, why is creativity important?




REASON 1

Being creative helps us to **solve problems**. It means that we are able to deal with troubles/issues better, as we can think of ways out of them.



REASON 2

It helps us to **make the world a better place**. Creative inventors, for example, think of new ideas to make life easier and simpler.



Well done to all of the winners of awards for making others feel like they belong. Many children also won awards for a great effort with Irish over the past few weeks. Mr. O'Brien's and Ms Bate's classes will get to host Kiwi the Giraffe in their classes for having such respectful and responsible lines.

3rd Class – by Maddie Branning

Ms. Harney's 3rd class have been learning about North America in geography and a fact is New York produces the most cabbage. They have also been learning about Martin Luther King, Ruby Bridges and Rosa Parks. In maths they have been doing time and in Irish they are doing teilifis (tv).

Next month they will be doing persuasive writing in English, decimals in Maths and aimsir (weather) in Irish.

At the moment they are enjoying art, geography, persuasive writing and P.E.

EXCITING NEWS!

A few pet's birthdays have been celebrated in the past few weeks and some people are hoping to go on holidays in the summer.

5th Class by Joshua Breslin

Today I interviewed Ms. Smyth's class and they have been learning lots in the past weeks, like fractions and Division in maths, The Irish Potato Famine in history, Sculptors in art and Procedures in English.

They are looking forward to summer, Science and their school tour.

In school they are enjoying Yard, GAA, Football, rounders and coming to school to see all of the teachers and their friends

EXCITING NEWS!

Their class is having a substitute in their class and her name is Ms. Twamley. In their class someone is getting a done up garden. It's almost Dane and Vanessa's Birthday, Happy Birthday!
I wish them the best of luck for the rest of the year!

4th Class

Report by: Simona Klonowska

Mr Dunnes 4th class were doing Bronze Age fractions and exclamation marks. They are looking forward to doing World War II in science, air and communications. They are enjoying friends, their teachers, not much homework and playing. A boy in the class will have a new baby cousin soon.

Parent-Teacher Association

We have been running a recycling drive and hope to plan another for before end of school year.

We raised close to €1000 with the design a card fundraiser.

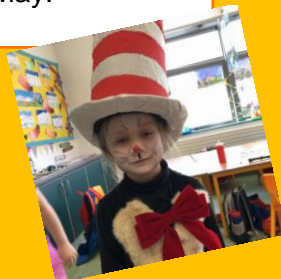
Future events planned are a step challenge instead of our sponsored walk and a dunk your teacher in gunk fun event to coincide with active week

By Kate Moyles

Mrs. Rojack's 6th class has been doing a few different subjects this month. They are doing percentages and measuring speed in Maths, they are doing persuasive writing in English and they have also been doing Time Zones in geography.

They are looking forward to doing P.E Art and enjoy their lunch. Their class has been enjoying going out to the yard, seeing friends, doing art and P.E... Their class has some exciting news: Liam's aunty had a baby, they got to dress up. It was Scots birthday on the 22nd of April. I hope he had a great day.

I hope they have a great month in May.



Staff Profile



Mr. Gary Crowe

This month we are doing a new staff member as our staff profile.

Name: Gary

Role in the school: Caretaker

Where does he come from? Dublin

What does he enjoy about his job? The people

Did he have any other jobs before this one? Builder

What is his favourite . . .

Book: The lion king.

Type of film: Documentary.

Place: Australia

Hobby: Swimming.

If he could do any other job what would it be? A gym instructor or personal trainer.

Who is his Hero? His Dad.

Report by Rishiek Sista

Ms Mehta's class have been doing a great job. The class was learning about report writing, football and basketball in the month. They have been looking forward to art and playing football. They are enjoying everything, D.E.A.R and some football

The boys in this class really love football.

**INTERCULTURAL AND
HERITAGE WEEK!!**

MAY 10th to MAY 15th