



## 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Class – October Review

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The children have been very busy this month and have made some great progress. It is crazy to think it is mid-term already!

Here is a brief overview of what we got up to during October.

### Numeracy

During maths this month, first class have been learning about the numbers 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19. First class have been learning about the different ways we can make up these numbers. Second class have been comparing and ordering numbers and looking at 100 squares. Both classes have been learning about patterns which provided great enjoyment!



## Literacy

We are still completing our news every morning and it is great to see the children taking such pride in their independent writing. Second Class have been reading their reader 'The Time Capsule' and First Class have been reading 'A Visit to the Vet'. Both classes have been working on comprehension strategies and are progressing well with these. The children have also been working on their cursive handwriting this month and are very eager to continue with this, it's wonderful to see such enthusiasm.

## Gaeilge

We have been learning about 'An Scoil' and 'Oíche Shamhna' in Gaeilge this month. The children loved learning some new Halloween songs as Gaeilge 'Samhain Scanrúil' and 'Oíche Shamhna'. The children have been improving their Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil throughout the school day which is fantastic to see!

## SESE/SPHE

Our theme for this month was 'Autumn'. We learned about the signs of autumn and what makes autumn such a lovely time of year. The children also completed a STEM challenge in science to see who could build the tallest tower using only spaghetti and marshmallows. We had some very impressive towers! The children also learned about the life cycle of a pumpkin and even managed to make a pumpkin 'puke' in a science experiment!





### Learn Together

The children learned about the Hindu, Jain and Sikh festival of Diwali this month. The children celebrated this festival by making lanterns.



I hope everyone has a lovely mid-term break and a fun-filled Halloween. I look forward to seeing everyone again in November. Oíche Shamhna Shona Daoibh go léir!

Kind regards,  
Emma





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