Hi everyone,

We had an extremely busy month. There has been so much to celebrate. We started the month with World Book Day, Seachtain na Gaeilge, and International Woman's day. We then celebrated Saint Patricks Day and Mother's Day, and we we learned all about the Islamic celebration, Ramadam and the Christian celebration, Easter, we also celebrated Daffoldil day.

## Seachtain na Gaeilge



We had a fantastic time during Seachtain na Gaeilge, the children really enjoyed using their Irish throughout the two weeks, special thank you to all those at home who helped with their frása na seachtaine, it's great to hear it been used around the school daily. We had so much fun playing games as gaeilge, we had a Lá Spóirt organised by 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class, the whole school took part in a tráth na gceist (table quiz), we had a Lá Scannáin, the children got to watch a movie in Irish and eat some yummy grán rósta(popcorn). We finished our celebration with our Lá Glas, we performed our poem

for the school and took part in a céilí with the whole school.



To celebrate Saint Patrick's Day, we made our very own pots of gold during our Aistear time and we read the Irish legend 'The Children of Lir' and used it as inspiration for our role play.



We worked on building a rainbow bridge strong enough to hold some coins for engineer's week during our Aistear time too. We definely have some budding engineers in the class. The children shared their idea's and spent time working together to problem solve how to get the pipe cleaners to stand when they had the weight of the coins on them. See some of our efforts below.



We read the story 'How to Catch a Leprechaun' and we used it as a great opportunity to build our own leprechaun traps.



We used it as a wonderful writing opportunity to plan and design our leprechaun traps before we made them. We had some inventive ideas. We then put our ideas in practice and we built our own traps and we had some very creative designs.





## Mother's Day/ International Women's Day.

We celebrated International Women's Day by writing about and drawing a picture of a woman that we love. We also learned about the many inspirational women role models we have around the world.

We got creative with some lollipop sticks to make the women in our lives a lovely magnetic photo frame to hang on the fridge for Mother's Day. The children put in a huge amount of effort into their frames as you can see from the photos below.



Here is a photo of everyones completed work. We hope you loved them as much as we loved making them.



## Ramadan and Easter



We've been learning about Ramadan and all of its traditions. We went on a ramadan hunt with the whole school to find out interesting facts about the celebration. We also tried dates as they are an important food during the month of ramadan to give people energy.



We have also been learning about Easter and all its traditions. We have been painting and decorating our own eggs, we have some very colourful eggs in the classroom at the moment <sup>59</sup>

## Spring/ Daffodil day

We have been learning all about the life cycle of the frog this month. We made each step of the life cycle from playdough and then we created our own hanging mobile of the life cycle and we hung them up in the classroom.





We had a lovely time celebrating Daffodil Day in school and learning about the wonderful cause. We made our own daffodils to brighten up the classroom and we were able to link it to SESE and the Incredible Edible programme to identify the parts of a plant.

Kind regards

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