



1st and 2nd Class – April Review

Dear Parents,

Below is a brief overview of what we got up to during April:

Numeracy

Following our Spring break, the children completed a maths trail in the school enjoying some of the nice weather. We then explored 3D shapes and looked at spheres, cubes, cuboids and cones. The children looked for these shapes in their environment. Second class began to recognise angles in the classroom. First class did some more work on adding and subtracting numbers without renaming within 99.



Literacy

During Literacy this month, we have been working on our spellings during our morning stations. First class have been going out for small group work with Leigh and Nicola. This has been fantastic and the children are loving it! Second class have begun creative writing with me and have been very enthusiastic about creative writing. The boys and girls have great imaginations!



Gaeilge

During Gaeilge this month, we moved onto 'Sa Bhaile'. The children began this theme by planning and drawing their dream houses in small groups. It is safe to say we had some very elaborate houses with swimming pools, restaurants, cinemas - you name it! But it was good to get some vocabulary in Gaeilge that we might not have picked up otherwise. As a class, some of the vocabulary we focused on was seomra folctha, seomra codlata, seomra suite, an chistin.



SESE

During SESE this month, we celebrated World Earth Day and the children planted some trees. We also did some gardening, planting some onions and some pumpkins that will hopefully be ready for harvest next Halloween. We also learned about Bees this month and the importance of bees as pollinators in our environment.



Ethical Education

We had an Eid celebration this month marking the end of Ramadan. Our Amber Flag committee was busy planning another initiative for May. The whole committee had a meeting and then a few members presented their ideas to Nicola.



The boys and girls were also very lucky to be introduced to Lámh this month. Lámh is a manual sign system that supports the communication needs of others. Leah, our SNA is trained in Lámh and introduced the class to this programme. It was well reciprocated by the children. The children can now say 'thank you' using Lámh.



It is crazy to think we only have two more months of school this year, I look forward to sharing our progress with you during these final two months!

Kind regards,
Emma