

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope everyone had a lovely, peaceful and relaxing break. We have had a very short amount of time in school during the month of April, but we had loads of fun. The nice weather allowed us to get outdoors and use the outdoor classroom, as you can see below, I think it's obvious that Junior Infants enjoyed the sunshine.



Literacy

We have started the final group (Group 7- qu,ou,oi,ue,er,ar) in The Jolly Phonics program. The children have putting in a great effort into all the activities we have been doing in the classroom to help their learning.



Numeracy

The children have been working on ordering, comparing number and quantity 1-5. The hands on material is really beneficial here to help make the comparison the quantities of different numbers 1-5





SESE

We have been learning about minibeasts for SESE. We read the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' to tie in with our theme. The children sequenced the events of the story, Identifying the different food the caterpillar ate on each day. The children also learned all about the life cycle of the butterfly.



The children also went on a bug hunt around the school, to see what bugs we could find living around the school grounds.



<u>Aistear</u>







Our Aistear theme was linked to our SESE topic of mini beasts, in construction the children built their own bug hotels. In art, the children made their own butterflies and painted their own minibeasts on stones that we are going to put around the school garden. The children also got creative with their painting skills and painted pictures of mini beasts using water colours.



Ethical Education

Earth day was on the 22nd of April so we celebrated it in Junior Infants by coming up with different ways that we could help the earth. The children came up with some really good ideas. One of the ideas that was mentioned was planting more trees, so each class planted a tree in the school yard.





That's it for April, I'm very excited to share with you what we get up to in May.

Kind regards

Ciara



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