Dear Parents and Guardians,

And just like that we have reached the end of June!

What a whirlwind year we have had here in Junior Infants. It has been a busy year full of curiosity, joy, and fun. It has been so lovely to see how each child in Junior Infants has progressed since September, they have been such a hardworking class and so eager to learn. Even in June they are still working super hard on their phonics.





## **Under the Sea**

Our Aistear theme for this month has been based on Under the Sea. We have been learning all about animals that live in the sea. We did loads of lovely artwork based on under the sea animals, we made jelly fish, turtles, and an under-water collage.



We did loads of relaxing water play, and we built our own tin foil boats and tested them out to see how much they could hold before the boat sunk.





Some of the Junior Infants took over as teachers and led our circle time discussions and taught the rest of the class about under the sea.

## **School Tour**

We had an amazing day in Kia Ora Farm for our school tour. There was a lot of excitement over the weeks leading up to it. When we got to Kia Ora farm, we got to ride on a fire engine and have a fun sing song. We got to visit all the different animals around the farm and feed them, then after lunch we got to explore the maze, and drive the go-karts.





We also got to pet these adorable bunnies; I think many of the children will agree this was their favourite part.

We celebrate our male heroes this month by making crowns for them. We also designed our heroes as superheroes. I hope everyone had a lovely time celebrating dads, grandads, uncles, brothers, and friends.





We also celebrated pride this month. We learned about all different families and how each one is special and unique, and how pride allows people to celebrate and be proud of who they are and who they love. We read a lovely story called 'And Tango makes Three' by Justin Richardson about two male penguins who fall in love and raise their own baby penguin.

As this is the final review of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for a lovely year. It was a pleasure to have taught the children in Junior Infants. I would also like to thank you all for your support and cooperation throughout the year, and for all the kind words over the last few weeks.

I wish all the children the best for next year and I am sure they will get on well in senior infants; I look forward to hopefully seeing them again in the future.

Have a great summer!

Best wishes,

Ciara