



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you enjoy our **February Woodstock ETNS Review**. The pictures showcase the incredible work the pupils have created together and the wonderful learning achieved over the last month.

A few notes for your diary:

I am delighted to inform you that the school has successfully secured funding from the Department of Social Protection, **School Meals Scheme**. This will fully fund the provision of a hot meal service at Woodstock ETNS. Freshtoday will be our lunch service provider. This Irish company is based in Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford since 2010. The timeline for delivery of the programme is still in progress but will most certainly be ready for September 2024. Please note this will be an opt in/opt out service so parents can choose whether to avail of the hot meals or provide their own packed lunches. Full details to follow soon.

Summer School Trips

It is hard to believe but our annual Summer School trips are already organised! We have endeavoured to keep the costs as low as possible, however transport has added greatly to the overall price.

- *Junior and Senior Infants - June 11th Airfield: Total per Child is 22 Euro*
- *First Class June 7th Festina Lente: Total per Child is 33 Euro*
- *Second and Third Class June 5th Alive Outside Kilruddery: Cost per Child 40 Euro*

The PAC:

I would like to sincerely thank our PAC for organizing a highly successfully and fun Quiz Night at the Parkview Hotel on Thursday the 29th of February. It was wonderful to see some many parents and locals support our growing school. A huge amount of work behind the scenes goes into these functions and we are highly appreciative to all those involved. A massive Thank-you for the Woodstock ETNS Team. We look forward to next year's event!

Annual Book Fair:

Will take place afterschool March 8th -12th. Volunteers welcomed. More details to follow.

Keep well & kind regards,

Dr Nicola Martin



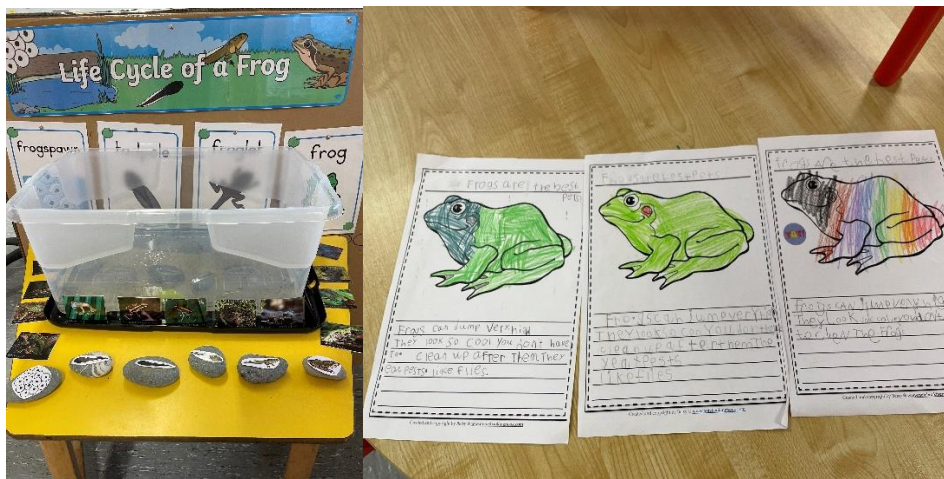
Senior Infants – February Review

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is crazy to think we are more than half way through our academic year! Time has flown by. Below is a brief overview of what we got up to during February.

Literacy

During Literacy this month, we have been focusing on the following vowel digraphs: ai, oa, ea, ie and ue. The children have been sounding them out, identifying words with these sounds in them and spelling words with these sounds on their whiteboards. The children have also been studying frogs this month with their very own frogspawn and tadpoles in the classroom. As our writing genre this month is persuasive writing, the children wrote some very persuasive pieces on why frogs are the best pets. Apparently there is no cleaning up after them and they eat household pests like flies!





Numeracy

In numeracy this month, the boys and girls have been learning about the story of 9. The children combined and partitioned numbers to make 9. The children used many concrete resources to do this, links, numicons, counters and cubes. The children have also been focusing on their number formation this month, concentrating on writing their numbers correctly.



Gaeilge

In Gaeilge this month, our theme has been Sa Bhaile (in the home). The children are learning the following vocabulary – doras (door), simléar (chimney), fuinneog (window), díon (roof), teach (house). The children are also learning that counting people in Irish uses different words than counting normally – duine amháin (one person), beirt (two people), triúr (three people), ceathrar (four people) and cúigear (five people).

Aistear



At the beginning of Aistear this month, the boys and girls celebrated the Chinese New Year and Valentine's Day. Last week, as it was Engineering Week the children made insects out of recycled materials, made patterns out of lego, built paper towers and used some bee bots to practice their coding! This week in Aistear, the children are exploring frogs and their life cycle.





The boys and girls are proving to be budding gardeners as their 'Jack and the Beanstalk' beans they planted at the beginning of February are doing very well!



That is all our news for now, I look forward to sharing March's progress with you all soon!

Kind regards,

Emma