

Some highlights this term.

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Welcome to our first newsletter for this school year. Halloween has crept up on us!

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to the 2nd class pupils and new pupils who joined our school over the last two months. We hope you enjoy your years with us.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you, the parents/guardians of the boys for your unwavering support, co-operation and encouragement. We are living in challenging times but with staff, parents and pupils working together, it really creates a proper sense of school community.

We are extremely fortunate to have a hardworking and dedicated teaching staff, who do a wonderful job in delivering the Curriculum to the pupils in their care in an enjoyable, engaging and meaningful way. A special word of thanks to our SNAs, Ms. Malone & Ms. Delaney, and our ancillary staff Tom & Michael who contribute so much to our school. A special mention for Tom who works wonders compiling this brilliant publication!

We will host our first ever Open Evening on November 23rd which will showcase our school. As you are aware, we have exciting times ahead as our welcomes Junior Infant girls and boys for the very first time in September 2023.

A word of appreciation to the Board of Management and Parents' Association for their commitment and dedication to our school. Keep an eye out for our Bumper Christmas Raffle where all funds raised will go towards resources for Junior Infants.

We are so proud of all of our pupils. We've had a really positive opening two months in school, and we look forward to the weeks and months ahead. Enjoy your well-deserved break, boys.

Just a reminder, that the school will be closed from Monday, 31st October – Friday, 4th November for the Mid-Term break. I'd like to wish you all a safe and Happy Halloween

Niall Bergin, Principal.



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Welcome to Bishop Elect Niall Coll

Our 6th class boys attended a special Mass on Friday last where Fr. Niall Coll was announced as Bishop Elect for the Ossory Diocese. Congratulations Fr. Niall and we wish you every good wish as you journey with us in Ossory.



Parent-Teacher Meetings

Parent-Teacher meetings will take place on Tuesday, November 29th and Wednesday, November 30th. Booking for the meetings will be made on Aladdin Connect. Parents can book times when we return after the break. We encourage everyone to book a time slot. Please note school will close at 2.15pm on these two days.

School Closure, November 28th

School will be closed for pupils on Monday, November 28th. School staff will receive training and support on the new Primary Language Curriculum (PLC) on this day.

The updated school calendar is available in this newsletter and on our school website.

Parents' Association

The C.B.S. Primary Parents' Association are organising a Bumper Christmas Raffle to assist the school in raising funds to support with the transition to a co-educational school in September 2023. We are asking for your help to make this fundraiser a success.

A huge word of thanks to our Parents' Association members for everything they do for the school. Thanks also to you, the parents of the boys, for your contributions to our Bumper Christmas Raffle. Everything is greatly appreciated.

As always, our Parents' Association welcome new members. If you would like to join, please email pa@cbsprimarykilkenny.ie

Confirmation & First Holy Communion

- Confirmation Enrolment Mass will take place on Sunday, November 13th at 5.30pm in St. Mary's Cathedral.
- First Communion Enrolment Mass will take place on Sunday, November 20th at 5.30pm in St. Mary's Cathedral.

We will have more information closer to the date of each Enrolment Mass.

A reminder that Confirmation will take place for our 6th class boys on Saturday, March 25th. First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, May 20th.



School Self-Evaluation

School Self Evaluation (SSE) is a process of evaluating current practice and planning for improvements for the benefit of all. Last year we looked at PE in our school and focussed in on Fundamental Movement Skills. We will continue with the Fundamental Movement Skills this year whilst also reviewing our Literacy and Numeracy plans. We also plan to look at the whole area of Wellbeing in our school community.



Aladdin Connect

We rolled out Aladdin Connect at the start of the new school year. This has strengthened the link between our school and parents and helps parents to communicate with the school and monitor progress. The school will also use this app to keep you updated on school events. More information to follow.



Student Council

Our new Student Council has been elected. Members were chosen by their classmates to represent their class on the Student Council. The boys are very enthusiastic and have lots of ideas how to enrich the experience of the students of the C.B.S.

They have created a mission statement to focus their work for the year ahead.



Our Mission Statement

- We want to make our school be the best it can be.
- We will listen to the pupils and be a voice for them.
- We want to promote the interest of all students and encourage everyone to get involved in our developing projects.
- We want to build good relationships between all members of the school and local community.
- We will be there to help everyone in the school and ensure everyone is treated equally and fairly.
- We want everyone to be ok with who they are and being proud of what makes them different.

Exciting News

As you are well aware, we will begin to enrol Junior Infant girls and boys in September 2023.

Scoil Iognáid de Rís will:

- Enrol boys and girls into Junior Infants going forward from September 2023.
- Admit boys and girls into Junior Infants in 2023, Senior Infants in 2024, 1st Class in 2025 and so on, becoming fully vertical co-educational in 2030.
- Continue to offer places to boys from 2nd to 6th Class as per the enrolment policy of our school.
- Not admit girls to classes which are not yet co-educational.

We will be hosting an **Open Evening on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7.30pm** in the School Hall.



Open Evening

On Wednesday, November 23rd
@ 7.30pm in the School Hall.

Welcoming Junior Infants
Girls & Boys
From September 2023

Enquiries to office@cbsprimarykilkenny.ie or (056) 7761739

Amber Flag

This September we were awarded our third Amber Flag. The boys worked so hard promoting our theme 'Your Food is your Mood.'



This year our new team will be looking to go bigger and better to create awareness and promote positive mental health for our school community!

Green Flag

Over the next two years we will be working towards our sixth Green Flag. The theme will be Global Citizenship Litter and Waste. We look forward to the challenge that lies ahead and our efforts to make our locality a better cleaner place. We all have a part to play however small and our combined efforts do make a difference. You may ask what can we do?

Here are a few tips from our Green Committee:

- Use refillable flasks, bottles and lunchboxes.
- Make Halloween costumes from recycled materials.
- Reuse bags for shopping trips.
- Bring unwanted items such as clothes and batteries to recycling banks.

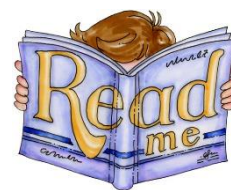
And remember **REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE**, whenever possible.

On a final note, on behalf of the green school committee and I, can we take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and safe Halloween and remember: **STAY GREEN.**

Miss Boyle and all the Green Schools Committee.

Accelerated Reading

After consultation with our Board of Management and staff, our school has signed up to the Accelerated Reading Programme. The aim of this programme is to foster a love of reading in every pupil, motivate pupils to read and set specific targets for every pupil in our school.



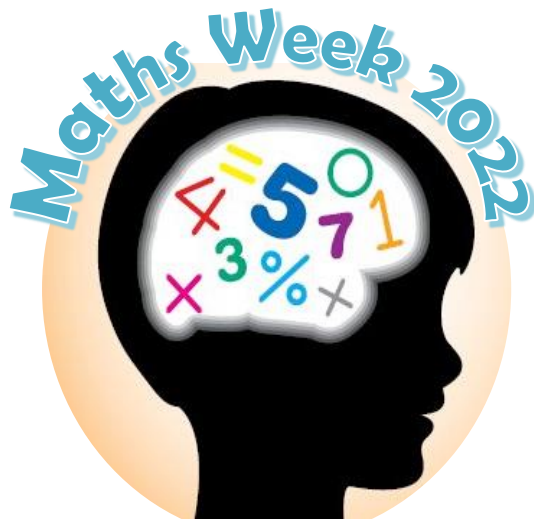
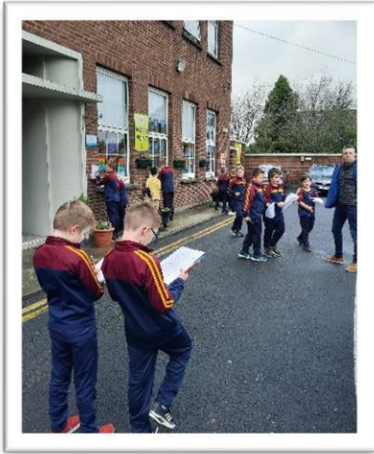
Our pupils have been screened and reading levels have been assigned. Books have been categorised and are ready to go. We look forward to getting stuck into the programme after the Halloween break. We are currently building up our school library. If you have books at home in good condition and that are suitable for primary school children, that you would like to donate to the school, please send them in to us. All donations will be very much appreciated.

Maths Week

The boys really enjoyed Maths Week this week. During Maths Week the boys completed a maths trail, took part in daily Maths problems, used Izak9 blocks and took part in junior/senior quizzes on Zoom.

Everyone loved doing extra Maths for the week!!! Brainteasers proved to be a highlight also! Maths Week was a fun and enjoyable week.





Writers of the Month



The boys have all been busy writing in various genres since September.

We have now chosen a boy from each class group who has shown that he knows the features of the writing genre and has made a big effort at presentation. The genres were persuasive, explanation, recount and writing to socialise.

The boys wrote about many interesting topics including why homework should be banned, why somebody should be voted into the Student Council, how sunflowers grow, why space is so big, what is hibernation, who is Tim Berners Lee, a mysterious wedding and some very interesting diary entries! Amazing writing boys!

Well done to all the winners and keep up the fantastic work that you are doing with your teachers. We will have plenty more winners this year and next, and we look forward to reading your great pieces of writing!



Team Hope Shoebox Appeal

We in the C.B.S. are delighted to once again be part of Team Hope's Christmas Shoebox Appeal. We first took part in Christmas 2019 when we gathered over 100 hundred shoeboxes. Last year, when the event went online, we used fundraising to buy a number of boxes on behalf of the school. This year we are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful shoeboxes the boys donate. Some points to note:

- Please do not feel pressure to create a shoebox, we understand this is an expensive time.
- Please read the instructions on leaflet sent home last week.
- Do not completely wrap the shoebox.
- Use guidelines for what should be in the box.
- €4 donation can be made online and code put on leaflet or €4 can be put into leaflet inside the box.
- Return date to school is Tuesday, 8th November, which is ahead of the date on the leaflet so we can arrange the collection.

Thank you again for supporting us with this venture.

Mrs. N. Ryan, Team Hope Coordinator.



TEAM HOPE
Christmas shoebox appeal

School Gaelic Football

Our school Gaelic football team are currently very busy with training and games. To date the boys have played three games and won them all. We have one more league game left vs Kilmanagh N.S. after the mid-term break. We have qualified for the championship quarter finals also. A sincere word of thanks to Ms. Cantwell for her time and dedication to training the team. Thanks also to parents who supported our teams in many different ways during the year.



Dicksboro G.A.A.

We are extremely grateful to Dicksboro G.A.A. Club for supporting our school. Every Friday, Philly Campion, Games Promotion Officer for Dicksboro, calls to our school to coach all of our pupils. This has proven to be a huge hit and the pupils look forward to their coaching lesson every Friday. The boys have been working on their football skills since September.



Primary Schools Cross Country Event

As you've probably noticed at this stage, we are an extremely active school! In recent weeks pupils represented the school in the Cross Country Athletics Championships. The boys competed magnificently in both competitions. A special word of congratulations to our medallists. We recorded a clean sweep in the 6th class race with Yousef Elfaeddy winning gold, Mohamed Elfaeddy taking silver and Lucas Duggan capturing bronze. Unsurprisingly, our 6th class boys won the team event also with JJ Cahill finishing in the top 10. A super achievement boys!!

A word of thanks to Ms. Curran, Mr. Reidy and Ms. Larkin who managed the boys at these events.



Extra Curricular Activities

Our Extra Curricular Activities Programme started in September. Extra-Curricular Activities are hugely popular in our school, and we are very happy with the wide variety of activities available in our school.



French for Fun with Madame Ryan

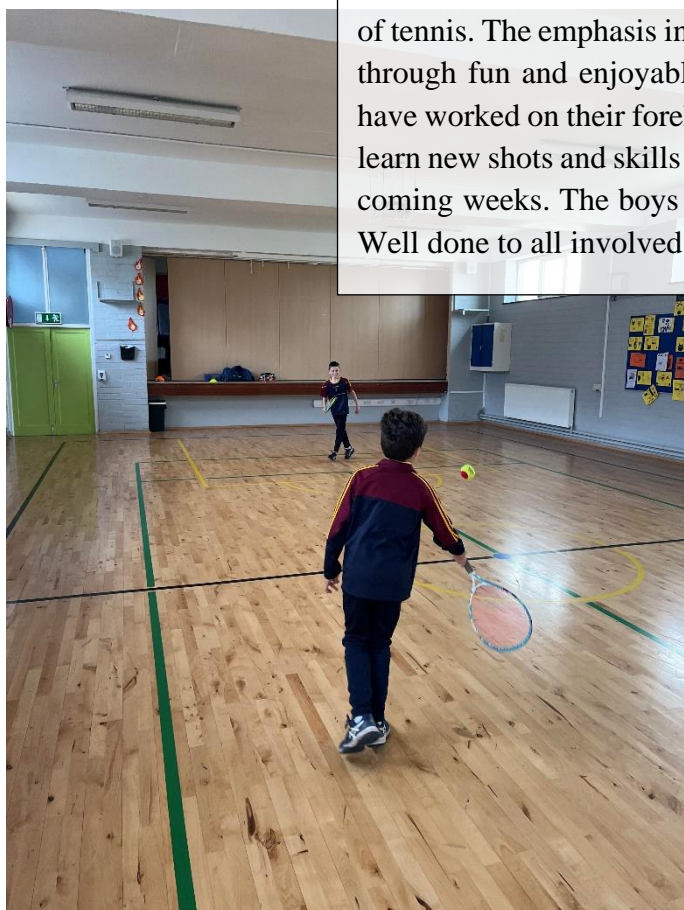
It was lovely to welcome boys from 3rd to 6th class back to my classroom after such a long time. Some of the boys even remembered some of their French words and phrases from before Covid. Boys have been learning their colours and numbers and have worked on a "petite conversation au café" ordering some very expensive drinks just like a real French cafe!





Tennis

16 boys from 2nd to 6th class have been taking part in tennis lessons in the school hall every Friday. Boys have been learning all the fundamental skills necessary to play and enjoy the game of tennis. The emphasis in these lessons is on learning the game through fun and enjoyable games and drills. So far, the boys have worked on their forehand, backhand and serves. Boys will learn new shots and skills such as the volley and smash over the coming weeks. The boys have made excellent progress so far. Well done to all involved.



Lego Construction Club

C.B.S. Lego Construction Club are enjoying their weekly sessions. Some sessions are based on group work which incorporate team work, communication and social skills. Other weeks are individual based and allow for freeplay. Throughout all sessions, members will strengthen mathematical thinking, spatial intelligence, hand eye co-ordination, fine motor skills, turn taking and problem solving. Whilst developing these important life skills, ultimately students are having fun, building their confidence and self esteem. Challenges vary term to term, some of the group design briefs completed in this term were;



Amazing mazes

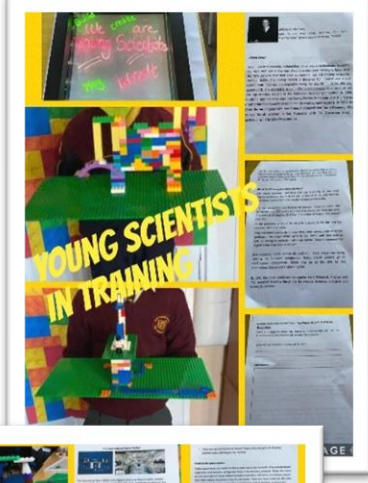
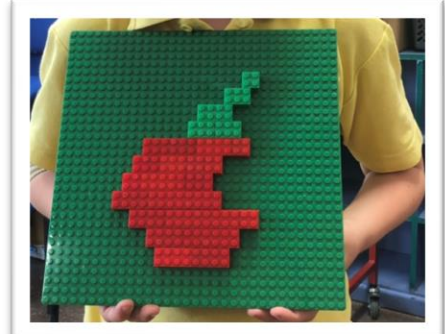
As part of a team, members designed and produced a maze that had defined starting/ending point. There were many challenges which included dead ends, passages and obstacles. Each team presented to the other groups and indeed it was a challenge to escape some of the amazing mazes!

Building Bridges

We discussed different styles of bridges, looking at engineering, environmental considerations. We worked in teams to create our design. There were many variations created even ones based on Rice Bridge in Waterford. This creation showed a bridge lift but thankfully didn't include the 9 span concrete piers!!



To celebrate Maths Week some students produced amazing symmetry, patterns, tessellation and 3D maths problems.



**Examples of
other
sessions in
Lego
Construction
Club.**



School Calendar 2022-2023

TERM 1

Monday, 31st October – Friday, 4th November:	Mid-Term break (1 week).
Monday, 7th November:	Re-opening after Mid-Term break.
Sunday, 13th November:	Confirmation Enrolment Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral at 5.30pm.
Sunday, 20th November:	First Communion Enrolment Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral at 5.30pm.
Wednesday, 23rd November:	Open Evening in C.B.S. Primary School Hall at 7.30pm. (Welcoming Junior Infants Girls & Boys from September 2023)
Monday, 28th November:	Primary Language Curriculum Training (School closed).
Tuesday, 29th November:	Parent-Teacher meetings (School closing at 2.15pm).
Wednesday, 30th November:	Parent-Teacher meetings (School closing at 2.15pm).
Wednesday, 21st December:	Christmas holidays. Closing at 12.30pm.

TERM 2

Thursday, 5th January:	Re-opening after Christmas holidays.
Monday, 6th February:	St. Brigid's Day (School closed).
Thursday, 16th – Friday, 17th February:	Mid-Term break.
Monday, 20th February:	Re-opening after Mid-Term break.
Thursday, 16th March:	School closed.
Friday, 17th March:	St. Patrick's Day (School closed).
Saturday, 25th March	Confirmation in St. Mary's Cathedral at 10.30am.
Friday, 31st March:	Easter holidays. Closing at 12.30pm.

TERM 3

Monday, 17th April:	Re-opening after Easter holidays.
Monday, 1st May:	School closed.
Tuesday, 2nd May:	School closed.
Saturday, 20th May:	First Holy Communion in St. Mary's Cathedral at 10.30am.
Monday, 5th – Friday, 9th June:	Mid-Term break (1 week).
Monday, 12th June:	Re-opening after Mid-Term break.
Friday, 30th June:	Summer holidays. Closing at 12.30pm.

- ** School holidays have been agreed between C.B.S. Primary and Presentation Primary.
- ** The calendar is not complete and may have to be amended from time to time but due notice will be given of any changes.
- ** PLEASE KEEP THIS CALENDAR FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

Mrs. Moloney's 2nd Class

Second Class in Room 2 have settled very well into CBS. The two months have flown by, and we had lots of fun and made lots of new friends along the way.



In September we had a guided tour of Kilkenny Castle and learned many amazing facts. We also had a nature walk and a scavenger hunt in the Castle Park and collected lots of leaves and nuts and signs of Autumn.



During Bookville we visited the Bookville Exhibition in the Watergate Theatre. We looked at the work of four very famous illustrators and followed the activities in our workbook. We found out that we have many budding artists and illustrators in Room 2.



During Maths Week we had lots of fun solving problems each day and enjoyed a table quiz in the hall and a Maths Trail around the school.



Another highlight of our term was the visit of the victorious Kilkenny Camogie team with the O'Duffy Cup. The players told us to always follow our dreams, to work hard and above all never to give up.



In English we worked on our Explanation writing and have also been very busy reading all our Flying Start readers during Lift Off each week. Every Friday we love our Golden Time when we get a chance to play boardgames, playdoh and build Lego.



Every Tuesday we look forward to our Music Generation workshops with Mark. We use the Sound Shapes, the Boom whackers and the wood blocks to make lots of rhythms.



Every Friday we have Gaelic Football training with Philly our coach. We enjoy all the fun games and have learned lots of new skills.

We dressed up for Hallowe'en and our teacher could hardly recognise us and was on high alert for the day with lots of strange characters in the classroom!

Well done to all the boys in Room 2. Tús maith leath na hoibre!



Ms. Boyle's 3rd Class

Hi everyone, a big hello from Room 4 - 3rd class. We have begun the school year with a flying start here in third class.

Firstly, can I begin by extending the warmest welcome to Corey and Ridhit who joined our class in September. How lucky we are to have these two boys on board, and I hope they enjoy their time in the CBS with us.

The boys have been working extremely hard over the last two months and have produced some wonderful work. In SESE they have been learning all about carnivores and some gentler species closer to home-birds in our local community. See can you spot some of these birds next time you are out and about.

The boys have also been learning about the fascinating lives of the ancient Egyptians and even learned how to write using hieroglyphics!!! Amazing!!



In geography we have learned about buildings in our community and even managed to construct a few of our own. Watch this space for future budding architects!!!



We had a lovely treat this term when we had the privilege of receiving a visit from members of the senior all Ireland camogie team and the O'Hara cup. Massive congratulations ladies.



Music generation started back this term with Mark and the class are thoroughly enjoying learning all about rhythm and beat, composing and using percussion instruments. Thank you, Mark.



Every Friday, we have Gaelic football training with our wonderful coach Philly – a big hit with everyone. Thank you, Philly.



A big shout out and congratulations to Ridhit who won writer for the month for October. A wonderful achievement.

A big shout out also to LJ, Jack, Jayden and Charlie who represented our school in the recent cross-country competition in the Castle Park. You did yourselves and the whole school proud. Maith sibh!!



We recently celebrated Math's Week in the school and the boys thoroughly enjoyed taking part in daily problem-solving activities, a quiz in the hall and a very exciting math's trail out and about around our school- truly bringing maths to life and capturing the essence of teamwork. Well done boys.



The above was just a small taster of what we have been up to in Room 4 to date and as you can see, we are indeed busy bees.



Finally, can I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and spook free Halloween!!! Stay safe everyone. See you all in November.

From Miss Boyle and all the boys in Room 4.

Mr. Leahy's 3rd Class

Hi Everyone,

Mr. Leahy's 3rd Class here. We're delighted to share with you some examples of the great work we've been doing and fun we have been having so far this year.



In PE, we have been very busy developing our Fundamental Movement Skills. We have been focusing on Running and Kicking. We have really enjoyed our Gaelic Training with our coach Philly every Friday.



There's no doubt though that the highlight has been our Benchball Tournament. For those of you who don't know what Benchball is, it's like Basketball but instead of a hoop a member of your team has to catch the ball while standing on a bench. A huge congratulation to the Wolves who came out victorious!



Music has been great fun! We are really enjoying our Music Generation lessons every Tuesday and we have been singing some songs like 'Redemption Song' and 'Hero' with Mr. Leahy on guitar.



We have been on two fun trips so far this year. Our first trip was to the Bookville Exhibition in the Watergate and the other to complete a Tree Trail in the Castle Park for National Tree Day.



We have had the opportunity this year to work on the school chromebooks for the first time. We really enjoyed typing out our Explanation Writing, which we researched using encyclopaedias and learning all that's involved with publishing a piece of writing and sharing it online.



In Art, the best thing we have done so far was constructing our Spooky Halloween Monsters. They really help give the classroom and corridor that Halloween Creep feeling.



We also carried out a Spooky Halloween Story Competition where we voted for the winners based on our success criteria. On top of that, we also learned about letter writing. You'd wonder how we fit it all in!



Maths Week was great fun! We took part in a Maths Trail, a Maths Quiz and daily challenges.



As Gaeilge (in Irish), we have been working really hard on our Irish Cómhrá (conversation) but the most fun thing we've learned was our Halloween poem entitled 'Oíche Shamhna' by Lionard Ó hAinidh, which we have all learned to say.



In SESE, we have been very busy. We have learned about the counties and rivers of Ireland. We have studied the origins of Halloween and how it has become the festival that we know and love today. Did you know Halloween comes from All Hallows Eve? We even learned about Dia de los Muertos, the Mexican festival of The Day of the Dead.



We are really looking forward to our Halloween break. We are exhausted after all this hard work. Hope you have a great break. Until next time, slán from Room 8.



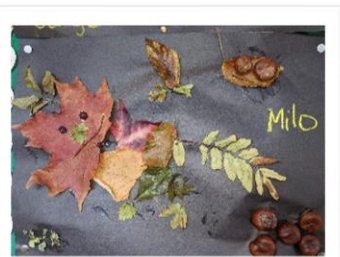
Mrs. Ryan's 4th Class

The boys have been delighted to welcome three new boys to our class this year. Anu, Misha and Yameen have settled in well and are working hard at their schoolwork and have been making new friends. We have had a busy two months and the boys have adapted well to 4th Class work.

We have been enjoying our Friday training sessions for GAA with Philly from Dicksboro. The boys are listening well and improving greatly as we were also concentrating on Gaelic football in our PE sessions. We have just started our Tag Rugby sessions with Noel, and it was great to see the boys so active.



We have been lucky to be able to return to trips outside the school again and began with a trip to the Castle Park on the 6th of October for National Tree Day. We also linked this to some leaf "art" in school.



National Tree Day & Bookville exhibition

My name is Milo, and I am Nathan, we are in 4th class and on National Tree Day our class went to the Castle Park. We were looking for the Holly Tree. We also found lots of other seeds such as conkers, acorns and helicopters. It was fun because we saw things we hadn't seen before. I was fun to go to the Castle Park and we were partners and had fun chatting about all the types of trees we were seeing.



As part of Bookville we enjoyed a trip to the Watgate Theatre to an exhibition of illustrations from a selection of books where boys got to observe the drawings and then create their own.

by Milo and Nathan



Our trip to Bookville exhibition

We went to the Watergate Theatre and looked at a lot of pictures from different illustrators. Here are the names of the illustrators Alice Coleman, Paddy Donnelly, Steve Doogan and Tom Mc Laughlin. We did some fun activities including drawing your own favourite toy that we brought everywhere except to school, we also did some rotten rhymes you will see ours below. We also had lots of fun on the walk back to school.

by Darragh and Tadeas



A rotten rhyme by Tadeas

I found a dead mouse in the old house,
I also found some muck, I said “Yuck”
I was just nose pickin’ and I found a
dead chicken.
And some stinky poo and some weird
green goo!



A rotten rhyme by Darragh

There was a rotten chicken,
Who was always nose pickin’,
He knew a dead mouse,
With a crawling louse.
He got stuck in the muck
Which was yuck.
He had stinky toes and a spiky nose,
He saw a smelly rat and a stupid bat.
He pooped and cooed,
It smelt of stinky poop and some doop!
It was a horrible sight of crusty toes
And a pig’s nose!



World Mental Health Day

Room 9 working on some “heart breathing” and “square breathing” as part of the school programme on #WorldMentalHealthDay2022 #LustForLife.



Maths Week

Room 9 boys working hard during Maths week.



Mrs. Bolger & Ms. Howell's 4th Class

We have had a great start to 4th Class in Room 12. The boys are very lucky to have not one, but two teachers this year and both Mrs. Bolger and Ms Howell are enjoying teaching them.

We would like to wish a very warm welcome to three boys who have joined our class this year. Gabriel Martin is joining us from Spain, while Arsenii Zorin and Yegor Hubskeyi are joining us from Ukraine.

We have had a very active start to the year with the boys enjoying Tag Rugby with Noel. They are also developing their Gaelic football skills each week with Philly.



This term in History we were learning about The Normans. After these lessons in class, we had the opportunity to take a trip to Kilkenny Castle. The boys thoroughly enjoyed the guided tour of the castle and learning more about life in Norman Ireland and life in a medieval town.



We also took part in the Bookville Festival this year. The boys received the Bookville Festival book and we visited the Bookville Exhibition in the Watgate Theatre, an enjoyable event for all.



The boys are enjoying learning how to play the Ukulele with Paul from Music Generation.

We had a great week for Maths Week last week. We enjoyed activities and learning how to use maths in the world around us. Our class took part in a Maths Quiz with 5th and 6th Class, we entered a daily Maths challenge, and we had a Maths trail around the school.



Some of the boys took part in the Cross-Country athletics in the Castle Park. Well done to Gabriel, Raphael, Laos, Tugra and Jack for representing our school and our class. They did us proud.

We hope you all have a lovely Halloween Break.

Mrs. Bolger & Ms. Howell

On Thursday, pupils got to wear their Halloween costumes to school.



Ms. Cantwell's 5th Class

We have had an action-packed start to our school year in Room 7 and we would like to share some of the exciting things we got up to with you.

The O'Duffy Cup comes to C.B.S. Primary

On Friday September 23rd, the Kilkenny Camogie team came to our school with the O'Duffy cup. The camogie girls also brought the Leinster cup.

We were all wearing Kilkenny colours and we had decorated the Hall with black and amber too. We gathered in the Hall and asked the girls some questions. We also got the chance to get our jerseys and hurls signed.



The whole school had a great day. It was nice to meet the camogie girls and we hope they win more trophies!

by Arsenijs, Jack and Nathan

Gaelic Football

Philly is our Gaelic Football coach, and he has been coaching us since the start of the year. Philly also teaches hurling in our school during the spring and summer months. Everyone loves the Gaelic Football sessions on a Friday with Philly. We also have a school Gaelic football team who have progressed

through the group stage and have qualified for the quarter finals. We are looking forward to more Gaelic football sessions after the mid-term break and we wish our Gaelic Football team the very best of luck with their games!

by Jim and Dan

Tag Rugby

We played a game called tag rugby every Monday morning at the start of the school year with a coach called Noel. He was very funny. We had our first session in September, and we played a game called 'Bank'. It was super fun! We also played a game where we all had bibs as tails. We had to try and take the other team's tails. The team who collected the most tails by the end were the winners.



For our last week with Noel, we played 'Bank' again because it was so fun. Then we played a game of tag rugby using all of the rules we had learned during the four sessions with Noel. We really enjoyed tag rugby each week!

by Sadid

Music Generation



We have ukulele lessons every Tuesday with Paul from Music Generation. We are learning to master some of the chords we learned last year such as E minor, D, D minor, C, A minor and G. We have learned how to play lots of songs using these chords, for example, 'As It Was', 'Demons' and 'Riptide'. We are looking forward to learning new songs throughout the year.

by Dylan

within the class. We had to solve maths questions, complete a workout and take part in mindfulness. We did a maths trail which took us all around the school on Friday to finish off Maths Week. It was the best week ever!

by David



Halloween Thursday



Maths Week

Maths week was last week, and we did lots of fun activities. We completed daily maths questions, took part in a maths quiz in the hall and completed a very fun Mathematics World Cup in our classroom. The maths quiz involved working in a group of four and there were six rounds. The whole school was doing it that day. The Mathematics World Cup is a competition against lots of schools around the world and every class that competes has a winning group

Ms. Brennan's 5th/6th Class

We have had an excellent start to the school year in Room 6. There are 24 pupils in our room: 11 in 5th Class and 13 in 6th Class. It has been great to get to know each other! A big welcome to Brandon, who has joined us this year. We have been learning about everything from writing Persuasive Letters and the Circulatory System to Long Division and the Northern Ireland Peace Process! Here are some of the highlights from Room 6 of this past half-term.

We started the term with some funny team-building games, and a good chat about setting up and organising our classroom and routines for the coming year.



Eresh taught us how to play cricket during a PE lesson.



We created Colour Wheels in Visual Arts, and learned about Colour Theory.



Cill Chainnigh Abú! We celebrated the victory of the Kilkenny Senior Camogie Team in the All-Ireland Championship.



We continued our Music Generation ukulele lessons, including learning 'As It Was' by Harry Styles!



We visited the Watergate Theatre to see the Bookville Festival illustrations exhibition.



We also completed some activities while we were there. We then took part in a video workshop offered by award-winning author, Derek Landy.



Greg and Keith were elected to the CBS Student Council, after creating super posters and giving excellent speeches. They join Ismael as our representatives on the Council. Well done to everyone who put their name forward for the election!



Tyler, Keith, Shay, Lucas, Cian, Yousef, Brooklyn and Harry represented Room 6 with pride in the Kilkenny City Harriers Cross-Country Competition in the Castle Park.



Lucas and Yousef, along with JJ and Modi from Room 1, won gold medals in the Cross-Country Competition. Well done boys!



Room 6 boys, including Ben C. took part in the Maths Week Table Quiz in the Hall, along with pupils from other classes.



Bad weather hasn't deterred us from having fantastic sessions in the hall with our GAA Coach, Philly! It's been a great way to finish off our week every Friday afternoon. This term, we have also been attending the Watershed for swimming lessons on Thursdays, as part of our PE time.



Ms. Minogue's 6th Class

It has been a really busy term and we are all looking forward to a well-deserved rest in Room 1. We have started our religion preparation and are looking forward to making our Confirmation this year. Here are just some of the things that have been going on in our class.

School Mass

On September 26th the whole school went down to the church for Mass. We were the first class at the Mass.



Diarmuid and Daniel both did prayers at the Mass. We all listened to Fr. Scriven and he asked us questions about the bible. He also asked us how school was going. It was a nice time to start the school year. Also, because we are in sixth class, we will be going down to the church more often this year and this Mass was just the first of many.

by Charlie

Kilkenny Camogie Team



On the 30th of September three of the Kilkenny camogie panel came to our school with the O'Duffy Cup and Leinster Cup. We were really excited for them to come. We got to wear our Kilkenny gear. We did art for them. We decorated the Hall with Kilkenny art. We saw the camogie players walking while doing art. We went to the Hall. The camogie players gave a speech and we asked questions. We all were excited. We took photos with the camogie team. We got to lift the 2 cups. We got our jerseys signed. It was a great day.

by Caleb and Steven

6th Class Art

In C.B.S. Primary Kilkenny's 6th class we have done lots of art throughout the year such as a spooky haunted house with a spooky background. We also did a beautiful skyline of a city shining in the water.

We also did a piece for Dia de los Muertos which were all done to a great standard. We also drew spoooooooooky monsters.



We did club crests, and we also drew our names with shadows behind it.

Ms. Minogue did a great job teaching us a basic understanding of colour theory so we could understand our way around colours. Colour theory is the collection of rules and guidelines which designers use to communicate with users through appealing colour schemes in visual interfaces. To pick the best colours every time, designers use a colour wheel and refer to extensive collected knowledge about human optical ability, psychology, culture and more.

by Josh



GAA with Philly

When we started GAA with Philly, we played a match the whole session and it was so fun because everyone was participating and people were playing fairly. The second session was in the Hall, and we played a super fun game.



The third session was out in the field, and we played banks and robbers and it was so fun because everyone had a great time. We did fitness and strength skills at the last session, and everyone worked so hard. We really enjoy these sessions with Philly, and they are improving our GAA skills and the whole class looks forward to Friday afternoons.

by Rhys

Three in a row - Kilkenny schools league - Going for four

We have had a great season of Gaelic so far this year. We train every week with Ms. Cantwell and Mr. Bergin. The year for the Gaelic football team have won three matches in a row and are going for four. The whole school is so proud of the team, and we can't wait for our final match against Kilmanagh. To the team, the whole school is watching and best of luck!

by Bobby & MJ



Cross Country

The cross-country event is held in the Castle Park every year when schools from all over Kilkenny race in 8 big events. In CBS primary school we hold trials for pupils in our school from 3rd class to 6th class to see who will do well in the cross country. Some of my classmates and I help to set up the trials. We take the first bunch to race in the cross country. At the end of all the races there are 2 prizes: the individual prizes and the teamwork prizes. I really enjoyed it and had a really good time.

by Modi Elfaedy

Ukulele with Music Generation

This year we have been continuing our ukulele classes with Paul from Music Generation. We play lots of different songs including Riptide, Zombie, Shivers and much more. Everyone always tries their best even when they find the chords hard. Personally, I love Tuesdays when Paul comes in for 45 minutes and plays music with us.

I think it's a great break from work and is very relaxing. I hope it keeps going in the school as all the boys really enjoy it.

by Diarmuid

Maths Week 2022



This year we have done Maths Week and had lots of fun. Each class went down to the hall to do a maths quiz with the 2nd and 3rd went down first and everyone else went down later. There were about 36

questions, some were tricky, and some were easy. Every class did a Maths Trail from 2nd up to 6th. We went all around the school and into all the classes trying to figure out all the answers and had a blast. It was great crack and was lots of fun and even though we won't be here next year, we hope every other class and the Junior Infants will enjoy it as much as we have through the years.

by Syd

Swimming

For the last few weeks, our class has been doing swimming lessons in the Watershed every Thursday. We were split up into groups, one for people who couldn't swim, one for people who could kind of swim, and one more for people who could swim well. We all had great fun, especially going on the bus and having playtime at the end of each lesson. I am sure that a lot of people really enjoyed doing the swimming lessons and are sad that the lessons have ended.

by Daniel



Halloween Thursday

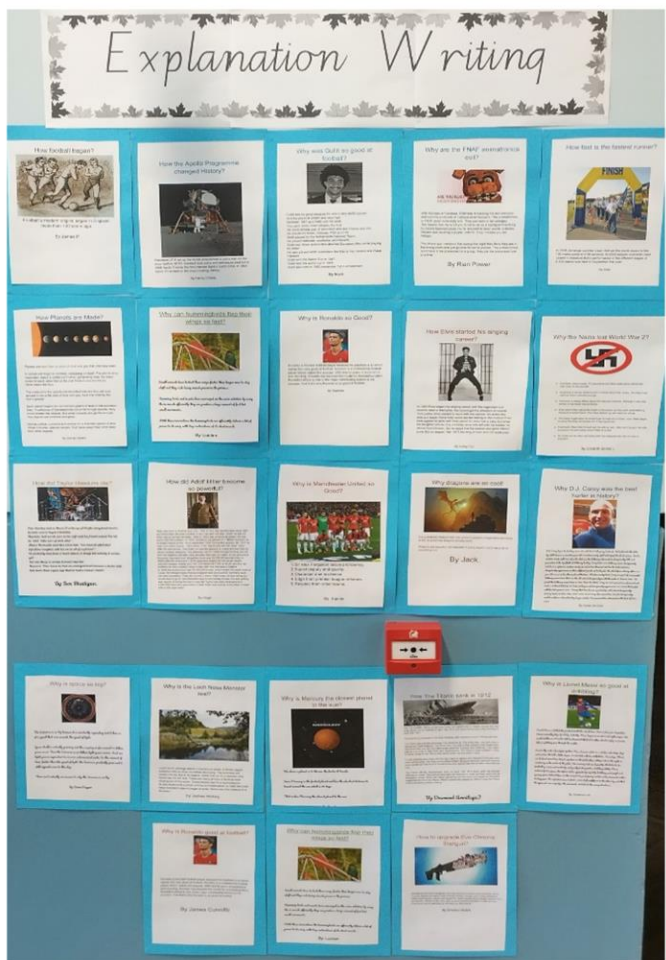




Calling all the monsters...



Some highlights this month





Kilkenny Camogie Team visit our school with the O'Duffy Cup and Leinster Cup



