

Memories of C.B.S. Primary School

2nd Class was my first year in the school and I knew I would like it! In 3rd Class, the Covid pandemic struck, and we had a craze for trading Match Attax cards. We went to Waterford for our school trip in 4th Class. I also won three gold medals at the Sports Day. In 5th Class, we used clay in Art, and we made a TOTAL mess in the bathroom! We also started orienteering. We made the soccer tournament for the first time. And finally, in 6th Class, I got France in the World Cup Draw, and I was selected to play for the CBS 'A' team in soccer.

Mrs. Ryan was our first teacher in the C.B.S. Primary School. The pandemic happened when we were in 3rd Class, so we all had to talk to each other on Zoom and on video chats. Yousef and I won the Wheelbarrow Race in 4th. We also got pizza for the first time ever in school when we got 6 boxes for 30 people. In 5th Class, we got soccer leagues started in school. We also went to Dunmore East and had the best day ever on our school trip. We did orienteering last year and this year in the Castle Park. Our school trip this year, in 6th Class, was to Killaloe. We did a lot of lessons on the ukulele with Music Generation. We had the FAI tournament in Evergreen....Richard, Scott, Fionn, Mush, Faiaz, and Sami...what a team!



In 2nd Class, I remember being disappointed that the yard was so small! 😞 In 3rd Class, I won 'The Power of Yet' competition. In 4th and 5th Class, we were in lockdown a lot of the time. In 6th Class, Ismael and I did a PowerPoint presentation all about Nintendo. We've had a good time in the C.B.S. school!



My favourite memories in the C.B.S. Primary School were: orienteering in the Castle Park, going to Killaloe and Dunmore East on our school trips, using clay in Art, and getting a pizza party when our team (Argentina) won the World Cup.



My best memories from my time in the C.B.S. include taking part in the cross country running in 5th and 6th class. I came second in 5th and third in 6th. I got gold in the team event in both years. I really enjoyed the FAI Tournament in Evergreen in 6th Class. I was on the 'A' team, and we came third that day. I loved the school trips each year, especially the ones in water. I liked the Sports Days, especially the one in 5th Class. I came first in the Sprints and Long Jump and the bronze in the Long Race.



I remembered coming to the school for the first time and meeting Mrs. Ryan. We had our first lockdown due to Covid-19 in 3rd Class. I joined the Green Schools Committee in 4th Class. I got elected to the Student Council in 5th Class. That year, Jacob and I got 2nd place in the Three-Legged Race. This year, I did a big PowerPoint presentation with Gregory about Nintendo. I also made my Confirmation.

Winning in the Sports Day in 2nd Class was a big deal for me. I loved using clay in Art. We played volleyball in the Watershed. We won a pizza party after the World Cup. We sang 'I Want It That Way' all the time! I enjoyed my Confirmation. We had an open night for new students that I was working at. I played the ukulele A LOT. We did a T.A.P. Artist project with an artist called Kasia. In the FAI soccer tournament, we won a good few matches. I came second in the Sprints and the Relay Races in the Sports Day last year.



Mr. Bergin told us that we were the first class that had him as Principal all the way through school from 2nd to 6th. I remember I almost qualified for every Sports Day event every year. It felt like a curse! We had brilliant school tours, especially in 5th and 6th class. We also got to do volleyball for the past two years. I remember singing in 2nd Class for the Confirmation. We got to play the ukulele for the Minister of Education this year. I was very proud to win Writer of the Month a couple of months ago.



My time at C.B.S. was amazing. Everything about the school is great. All the teachers are very friendly, the school facilities are great, and the friends and memories you'll make are unreal. Here are some of my favourite things about C.B.S.

The Community

One of my favourite things about the school is the community. Everyone in the school knows each other and it's a great vibe. The teachers are always friendly and they always say hello.



School Trips

We have had great school trips including W.I.T. Arena in 2nd class, Dunmore East in 5th Class, and Killaloe Adventure Centre in 6th class. We didn't have any school tours in 3rd or 4th class due to Covid 19. My favourite was Dunmore East. They had loads of different activities such as caving, rock climbing, archery on the land and canoeing and the Wibit. The Wibit was the best. It was so fun.



Extra-Curricular Activities

In the school we have these things called extra-curricular activities. They are activities that are on after school. Activities include basketball with Puff Summers, Arts and Crafts with Ms. Lawlor, Tennis with Mr. Reidy, French with Mrs. Ryan and much more. My favourite activity was basketball because we used to do games and tournaments.



Conclusion

I will miss C.B.S. a lot and it's a great school. I'd like to thank all the teachers, Michael, the caretaker, Tom in the office and Mr. Bergin. Thank you as well for all the things you've done for us.

In the last five years I've attended C.B.S. Primary School Kilkenny. In both 2nd and 3rd class our teachers were both named Ms. Brennan. For the first two years of school, we played Tug of War on Sports Day. In 4th class we had Mrs. Ryan as our teacher, and we had Mr. Cuniffe in 5th class. He has held two different football tournaments and we are currently in the quarter-finals.

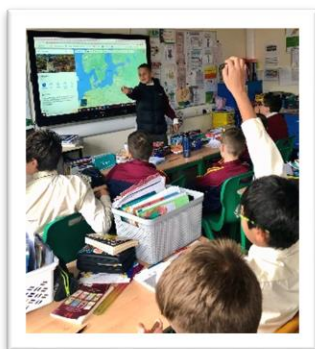
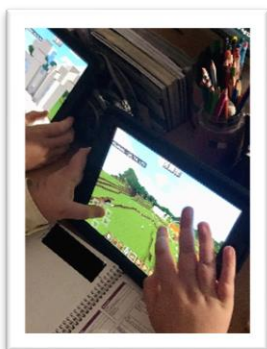
This year we have had both Ms. Minogue and Ms. Lawlor as our teachers. My favourite memory from these five years must be when we went to Dunmore East and went on the Wibit with everyone in our class. To summarise my time in C.B.S. Primary School, I had a great time and learned a lot! Tom is the best secretary ever.

I can still clearly remember my first day in 2nd class in C.B.S. when I was only 7 years of age. I was struck by the warm, welcoming atmosphere and the kind, helpful teachers. My opinions of the school haven't changed since.

I can't talk about the things I like about the C.B.S. without mentioning the wide range of extra-curricular activities available to do at school, which really helped me improve my basketball and French skills.



I also must mention the Chromebooks and iPads which we use (and I am using right now). They are great fun to use and a lot more interesting than just writing with pen and paper. I have fond memories of winning lots of Kahoot online table quizzes in 4th class with my classmate and friend Charlie Brett.



The last thing I really loved were the school trips, which are always excellent, especially my personal favourite, the trip to Dunmore East in 2022. Also, shout-out to Tom, best secretary ever.

All in all, I have really enjoyed my time at C.B.S. Primary School, and I will really miss it when I go but I am also really excited for secondary school.

Overall, it's been an amazing time and an adventure. Even though I've only been here since the start of 4th class, I have been treated well and all my teachers have been a big inspiration to me and my classmates. My classmates have all treated me well. I was welcomed to the school and in no time, I fit in like a puzzle piece. I have good friends and all of them have very bright futures.

When I had first started my time at C.B.S. Primary I had no interest in sports as I had quit many sports over the years, but in C.B.S. Primary I was encouraged and inspired by my fellow classmates to join a football club and football has really changed my view on life and its qualities. I have made many friends from joining the club and I had lots of fun.

The school itself has treated me very well also. The people and friends I have met in C.B.S. Primary are lifelong and great kind people.



Mr. Bergin is a big inspiration to me and treats us very well. I hope this explains how well both I and my fellow classmates have been treated.

My time at C.B.S. Primary was unreal. My favourite memories are in 5th class where we went to Dunmore East when we went on the Wibit. Another memory is where Mr. Cuniffe organised a soccer tournament in the field, and I am in the semi-finals now and I'm the captain. There are a lot more but there is too many to name! I want to give a special mention to the best secretary in the world Tom, and congratulations to Mr. Bergin, Ms. Cantwell and the hurling team who beat Freshford in the County final recently.



I don't think there are enough trees in the world to make the amount of paper I need to talk about C.B.S. Primary. I mean you can go on forever, the people in this school certainly know I do. This is probably one of the last times they will hear me babble on, most of the time though it's silly nonsense but not today, not now, not ever, because there is nothing silly about C.B.S. Primary School. I mean you could have a joke and all, but it was just perfect.

So firstly, I would like to talk to you about when I first came to the school. I wasn't the only one making a new start. There were twenty-four other boys starting in my class with me and twelve boys starting 2nd class in the other mixed 2nd/3rd class. But that's not all, as it was Mr. Bergin's first year as the Principal. It was very reassuring to know that I wasn't entering this new chapter of my life by myself.



The standard of work in this school is unbelievable. I mean with all the amazing group of teachers and SNAs, Tom, Michael, and Mr. Bergin it can't be that hard to believe. If you are struggling with anything they will help you out as much as possible. I have only had a handful of the brilliant teachers at this school, but I have worked with others through other things which leads me into my next paragraph...

Extra-Curricular Activities!!!! I mean the teachers work over six hours a day and then to help afterwards with stuff like tennis, chess, homework club, hurling, basketball and so much more.



When I first came to this school in 2018, I did basketball with Puff Summers and the last two years Ms. Cantwell and Mr. Bergin have got the GAA up and running again after Covid. In Gaelic we got to the semi-final and in Hurling we won the championship in Nowlan Park vs Freshford. It was the best feeling ever. There is a wide variety of players ranging from 3rd class boys to 6th class boys too.



While we are on the topic of teams everyone is super helpful and if you ever got yourself into spot of bother, I know I would have loads of people to help me out.

Overall, my time in C.B.S. Primary School Kilkenny was amazing and I am so proud that when somebody comes up to me and asks, "what primary school did you go to?", I can proudly say that I went to C.B.S. Primary. I know two of my younger cousins will be attending this school soon and I can't wait for them to have as much fun as I did. I hope it's not too long till I come back to C.B.S., maybe just '5 Tom minutes'.

