



A Note from Caoimhe's Second Class

We have been exploring biodiversity. We created posters to capture what we had learned. We considered ways in which we can make changes to improve our world. In response to major events happening around the world, we engaged in a special lesson about racism. We reminded ourselves of what racism means and created posters to show our support against racism.



WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

It's fantastic to hear (and in some cases, see!) that so many of our families have been using the online padlet and enjoying our 'Wellness Wednesdays'. For the remainder of June, it would be great to see the 'Class Challenge' wall fill up with activities, so please get working on your entries!

Yours in Sport!

Connor & The Sports Team



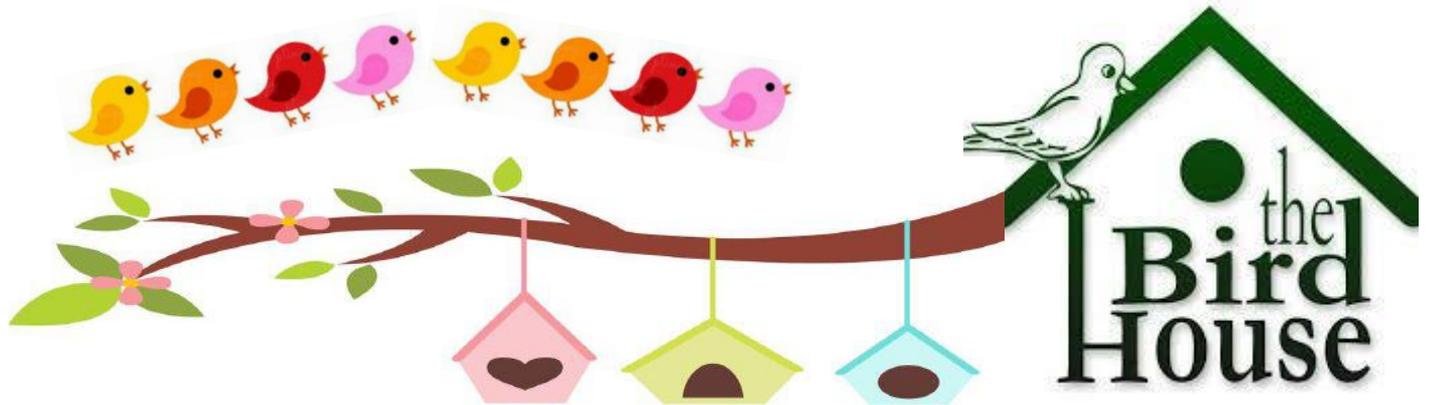
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TIPS

Note from our School Mentor

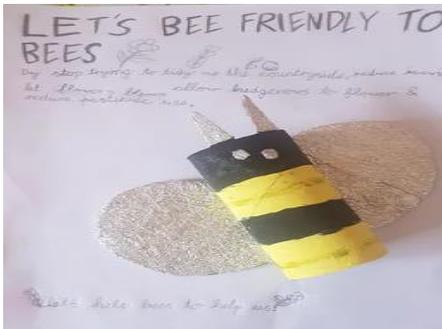
Michael, our school mentor, has put these great tips together to help parents and pupils. Thank you, Michael.

The Perfect Balance is achieved by tuning into these important parts of your life



Hazel's Second Class have been extremely busy creating birdhouses. Look at their amazing creations. Maith sibh, Rang a Dó!





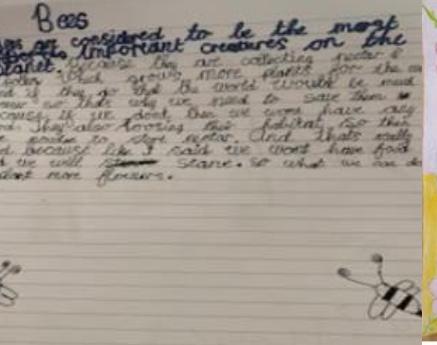
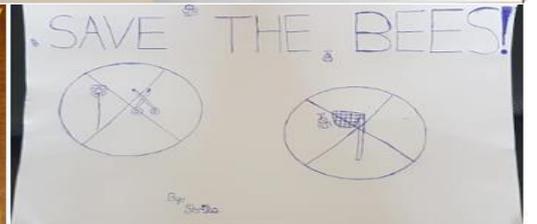
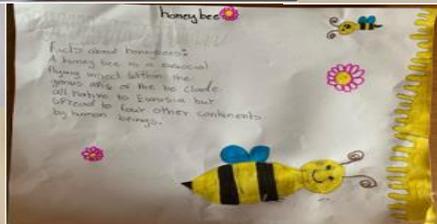
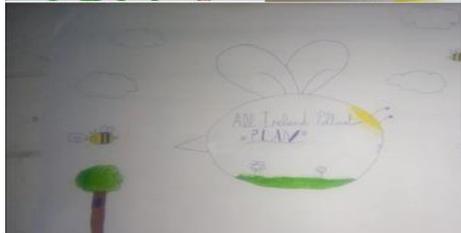
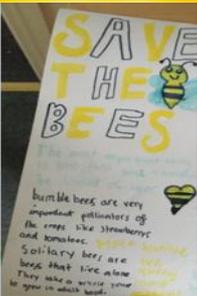
4th Class have been learning all about Bees and the importance of them in our environment. While lockdown has stopped us from doing some of the things we love, The Ark Theatre came to the homes of our 4th Classes. They watched BEES! A Musical. See below some of their wonderful 'Save the Bees' posters.



DO NOT CUT HEDGES



I WENT TO THE PET SHOP TO GET 12 BEES, THE MAN GAVE ME 13, I SAID I ONLY PAID FOR 12, HE SAID IT'S OK IT'S A FREEBEE





First Class had a theme on the Phoenix Park a few weeks ago and we made acrostic poems about the different work that Park Rangers do.

Park rangers look after things.
After there work they do something else.
Rangers are very kind.
Key to the park in his pocket.
Rangers insist a problem for them.
Amazing views open from the park.
Navy trousers.
Glass is under control.
Easy to find them in the park.
Random things they have to deal with.

Park Ranger
 Patrol the parks
 And does his job with a smile for all
 Repairs to gates and fences.
 Keeps the park tidy.
 Running after animals.
 And the public.
 Never stops.
 Gives information
 Everyone is happy.
 Runs home for his dinner.

SPACE INVADERS

Colm's Class have been working so hard over the past few weeks online, in their homes and in the green spaces around their homes. We had a space theme a few weeks back. The work done by the class was amazing and on the Friday, for junk-art, Leon transformed into an astronaut, Major Leon, and his sister Mora was his rocket. They make a video that was out of this world once they were in costume.



We had some very artistic, colourful entries into Biodiversity Wild Postcard Project Competition. Zainab drew a beautiful picture of the Earth and lots of things growing on it and Tanya drew a really imaginative, detailed drawing with bees and butterflies hovering over flowers, chicks in their nests, frogs by a lake and so much more biodiversity.



Fifth Class

Fifth Class have been busy working on recipes, art, creating their own meme's and crests. Well done, Fifth Class!



5th class

Ice Cream in a Bag

You will need:

- 2 small ziploc bags
- 1 large ziploc bag
- 1 cup of cream or whole milk
- Flavouring (chocolate sauce, vanilla, caramel etc.)
- Ice
- Salt

1. Combine the ice cream ingredients and put them in a ziploc bag.
2. Squeeze out most of the air (you'll still need some air to get into the ice cream for it to have the right consistency) and seal the bag. Put this into another ziploc bag and seal.
3. Fill the large ziploc bag with about 6 cups of ice. Add half a cup of salt, put the ice cream bag in then seal.
4. Shake vigorously for 5-10 minutes then serve!

THE SCIENCE
Ice cream is made up of droplets of fat from milk jumbled up with millions of tiny crystals of ice and pockets of air. Ice has a temperature of 0°C, however, when mixed with water freezes. This means the ice will be at a temperature lower than 0°C causing ice crystals to form between the tiny fat molecules - ice cream!

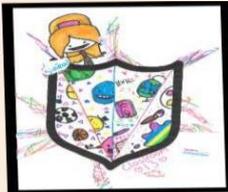
You may need gloves or wrap the bag in a tea towel as it gets VERY cold!



art creations 5th



PIC•COLLAGE



Hey you come meet me by this beautiful tree
I was thinking about Biodiversity it's too
with animals and plants that help us breathe
like the birds that plant the seeds
to a cheetah with super speed
annoying little fleas
to a spider making a web to catch those
like a dolphin swimming somewhere in the
seas

Bugs
Irish aid
On nature walks try not to disturb wildlife
Differents plants and animals
In the wild animals live off the land and
each other so don't disturb that
Value animals
Educate on how to help with biodiversity
Respect nature
Care about the environment
Island wildlife
Try not to litter
You should be aware of biodiversity

When the garda tells you that you can't go on holidays and have to stay home.



Biodiversity
Nature is full of wonder
We are all in this together
All living things rely on each other
Biodiversity is our future

Biodiversity rap
This is a rap on Biodiversity. Biodiversity Biodiversity means, all living different things around us.
Without the insects and the bugs there would be no biodiversity Biodiversity.
And it is our job to make sure we take care of the planet.



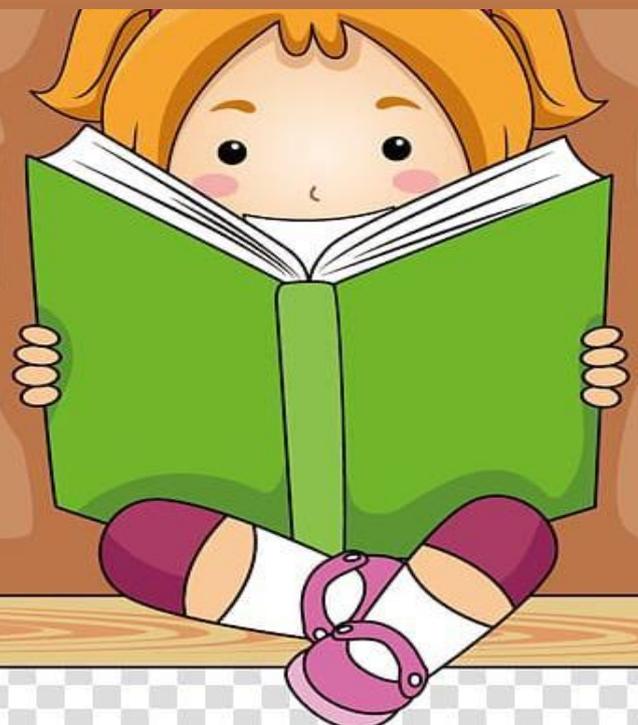
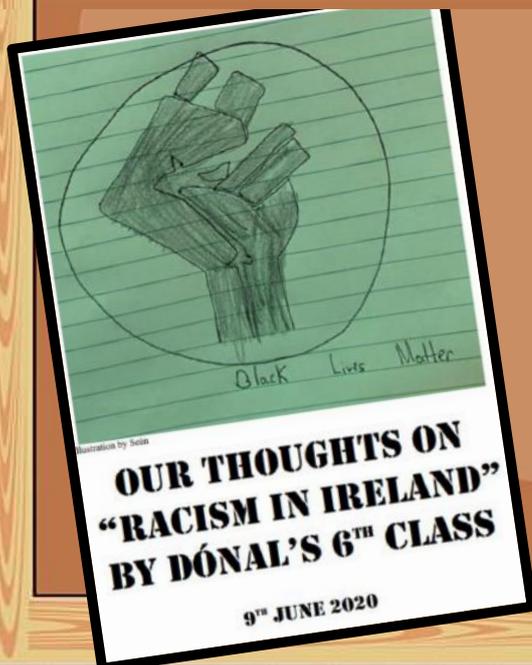
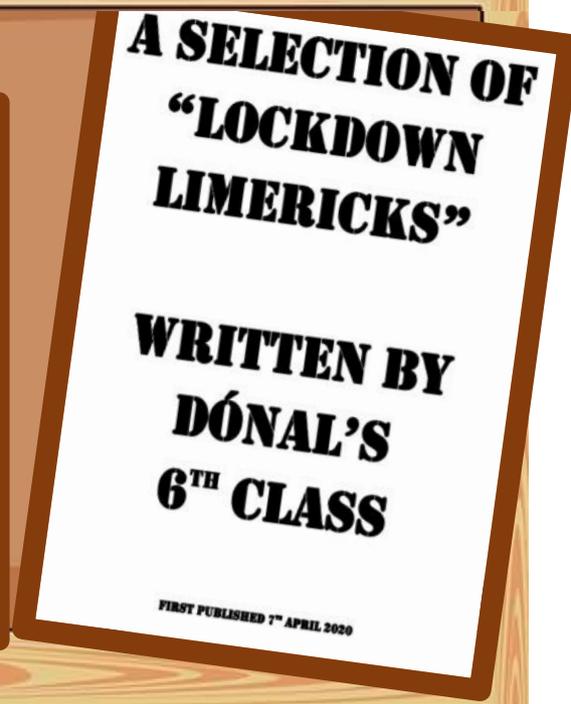
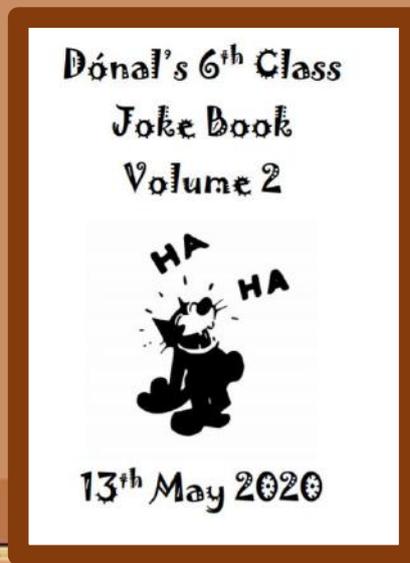
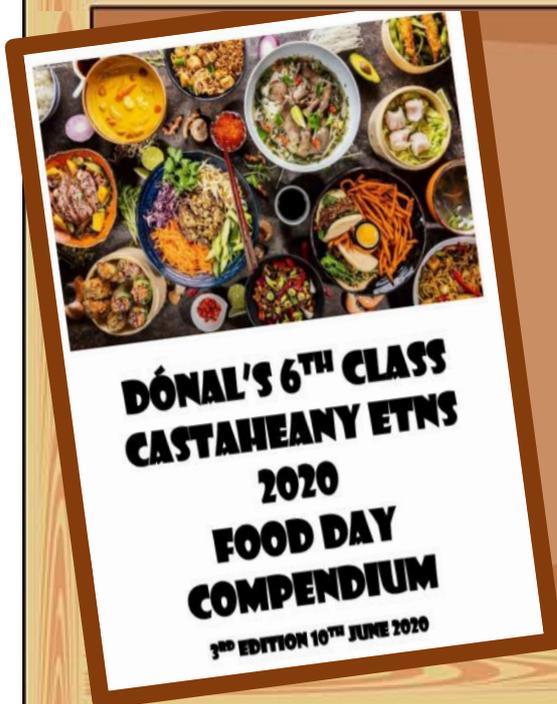
When your mom calls you for dinner but Dinner isn't ready yet



PIC•COLLAGE

SIXTH CLASS LIBRARY

Pupils in Sixth Class have been busy, creating compendiums of recipes, jokes and limericks. They have also written articles on racism. They have compiled their creative writing into four books. Who knows – we might just add these to our own library shelves in Castaheany.





JUNIOR INFANT MINIBEASTS



Junior Infants are working very hard reading, counting and learning about minibeasts. We were learning all about flowers and birds in June. We worked together and created a very special garden. We added lots of flowers, bees, butterflies, trees and, of course, sunshine.

We also created our very own Bug Hotels for our gardens and balconies! We hope that some bugs will like to come and live in them! Here are a few examples of our wonderful bug hotels:





Look at all the creative bird feeders Jana's class made for our neighbourhoods!



I scream, you scream, Jana's class all scream for ice-cream!





A Castaheany Covid Hero!

A massive congratulations to Maia O'Loughlin Brophy from Billy's 5th Class who cut off her beautiful long hair and

donated it to the Rapunzel Foundation. Maia has only ever had her hair cut once and has been growing her hair for years in order to be able to donate it to this amazing charity. The Rapunzel Foundation takes hair donations and makes wigs for children who are going through Cancer treatment. Brave Maia allowed her mum, who in Maia's words, "had no hairdressing experience!" to cut her hair. I think we can all agree she did an amazing job and Maia is so beautiful both inside and out!



STEM Challenges in Third Class

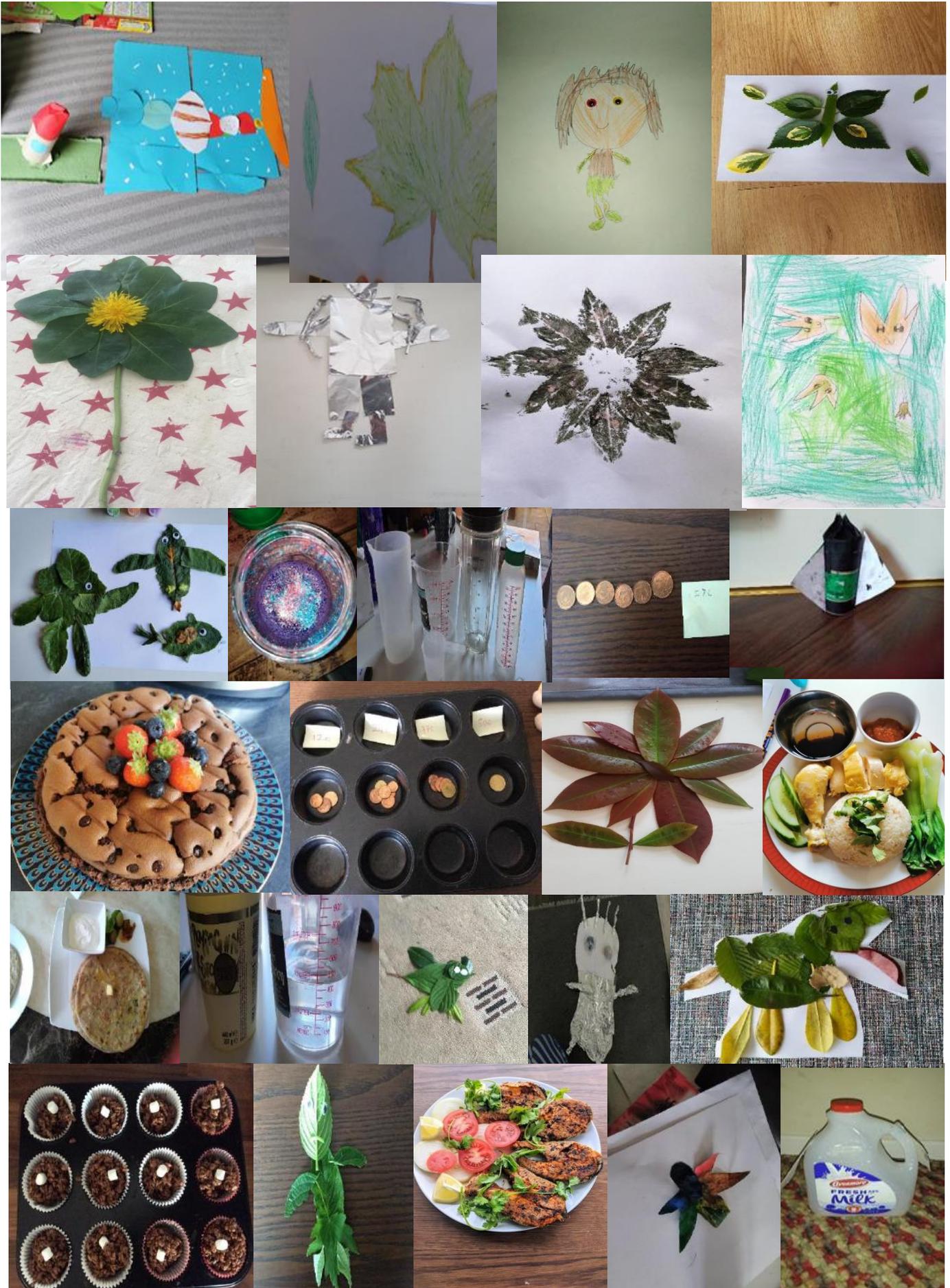


Pupils in Third Class have been completing STEM challenges. STEM stands for Science Technology Engineering. Pupils had to think creatively and work scientifically to construct their names in 3D. They used a variety of materials to construct their names. Can you identify their names and the material they used?



First Class Activities

Charlene's 1st Class have been extremely busy recently. Look at all of their amazing work. They've been using leaves for art, learning about space, counting money, celebrating food day and much more. Maith sibh, Rang Charlene!



School Garden News



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Before

Berni has been toiling away in our school garden, keeping everything ship-shape and looking beautiful. Berni has embarked on two new garden projects. He designed and built new fences near the pitch to keep us all safe. He is also in the middle of constructing a paved design space in the school garden. WOW, Berni. It's looking fantastic! Thanks for looking after the garden while the pupils are not in school. We can't wait to see the new additions when we return in September!



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After



COMPETITION NEWS

Many of the children from Castaheany ETNS took part in this year's **Different Families, Same Love** competition. Children all over the country can enter. All families are different and, in our school, we respect everyone's families and identities. We are all different, but we are all special. We are so proud of all the learning the children did about different family types, but we do have to give a special "maith sibh" to two children who got a commendation from the judges for their fantastic art and video work. Well done, Molly and Atharv!



SCHOOL TOUR

So many pupils missed out on school tours this year and we know all pupils will have been disappointed. We've been working hard behind the scenes to give pupils a virtual school tour experience. Keep an eye out on Google Classroom over the next week where children will be given an opportunity to take part in online school tours. Many thanks to Diana for organising these activities.