

Newsletter December, 2018

Happy Christmas!

As we have reached the end of the first term, I would like to highlight some of the recent events and happenings at TETNS.



1st & 2nd class off to college for Maths week. At the Bubbly Maths show we made giant 3D shapes out of bubbles.

A live performance of The Wiz in Siamsa Tire was a huge hit with 1st & 2nd class. We learnt that we have all we need right inside of us.



The Wiz of Oz

Last week 1st and 2nd class went on a trip to Siamsa Tire. We saw a brilliant musical show called The Wizard of Oz.

In the morning we went by bus to the theatre. We sat and waited for the show to start.

The show was about a girl called Dorothy and her dog Toto. They lived in Kansas.

One day, a powerful tornado sucked them and their house all the way to the magical Land of Oz.

There they met a wizard who they asked for help to get back home. The wizard promised to help them if they brought him the wicked witch of the west's broom.

When Dorothy reached the witches castle she splashed her with a bucket of water and killed the witch. After that she snatched the broom and took it back to the wizard. The wizard told her that he couldn't bring her back to Kansas because he wasn't a real wizard and didn't have magic powers. In the end the good witch of the north helped Dorothy and Toto get back to Kansas.

They were so happy to finally get home in one piece!

After the show we went to the playground in the town park. After a while it started raining so we took the bus back to school.

We all enjoyed the day and we want to go to Siamsa again.

This recount was written by 1st and 2nd class.



Garden comes back to life. We are ready to get our hands dirty in the New Year!

SEAI Science Workshops



Science fun with Catherine Daly. We learnt about different types of energy, how energy can be stored and where energy comes from through lots of fun experiments.

Smiles All 'Round!

Congratulations to the Infant Class who won 'Best Attendance' for the month of November. As you can see, they were thrilled to win the award!!!



We are also delighted with our regular walks in the woods. We enjoy examining the trees. In Art, we have recently been busy with some festive art pieces, and we have also taken on the challenge of sketching self-portraits this term. We managed to create our own heads in clay with some spectacular results!

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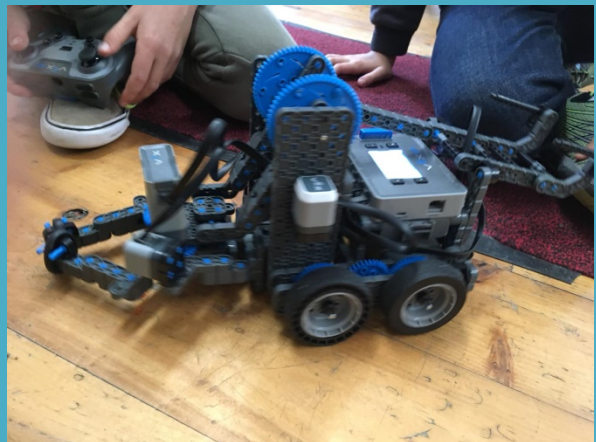


It's been a busy term in Fifth and Sixth class.

We had great fun during Maths Week, and then Science Week. We organized the maths board games for the entire school and then played games with the other classes. We took part in many experiments during science week, it was lots of fun.

We have also started the Junior Entrepreneur programme and we are excited to uncover some young entrepreneurs in Fifth and Sixth. Fifth and sixth class are delighted to welcome some boys from the Gaelcholaiste to our class. The boys have set up a 'ciorcal comhra' (conversation circle) with our pupils - we have chats in Irish and play fun games.

Of course, we can't forget to mention Gertie, our robot, the newest addition to 5th and 6th class. As part of a robotics initiative in Tralee ITT, we were lucky enough to receive a robot for the school! The children were so involved in this project – from building the robot and then programming it (those Scratch lessons paid off!) to troubleshooting when Gertie gave up and didn't feel like moving. We hope to take part in a robotics games tournament in the ITT next spring.



Of course this term, we were very sad to see our friend Kristers go to another school. We wish him all the best in the future. We were happy also to welcome our new friends Tomas and Abdullah to Fifth class. Therese loves teaching the boys and girls this term and hopes that they all have a fun filled Christmas Break!

*Thanks for your hard work and see
you all next year!*

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Super Furry Animals Pay a Visit!



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4TH, 5TH and 6TH Class Basketballers played two friendly games against Moyderwell NS this week. They did us proud! Well done to all involved.



3rd and 4th Class Winter Artwork

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Maths Week Fun and Games:



Reducing plastic mission

Help us reduce our use of plastic by donating reusable plates, cups and bowls. Every little helps towards saving our planet.



Promoting the School

At the Whole School Meeting in October ideas were discussed on how to promote our school and increase enrolments.

You can help do this by promoting our school to neighbours, friends and family, sharing news and events from our Facebook page and directing interested parties to our website.

Fundraising

It is crucial that families support school fundraising efforts. This money is used to subsidise various trips for your children. The school recently purchased 16 new iPads.

Please support our school calendars. Many thanks to parents, Fayna, Aga, Lisa and Ariadna for helping make this happen.

We did a clothing collection on behalf of the NCBI (National Council for the Blind Ireland) on the 11th October. 15 bags were donated and we received €75 for them.

We are waiting confirmation of dates for bag packing in the New Year. Keep you posted!

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Christmas Holidays

School will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday 21st December at 12 noon and reopen on January 7th.

From all of the team here at Tralee Educate Together NS we wish each of you a very happy and restful Christmas. Best wishes for 2019!

Go raibh maith agaibh.

Gail Groves,
Deputy Principal