



Happy Easter 2020

Building a future.

St. Cecilia's continues to offer ever expanding facilities to students, parents and staff. Our new classroom will be available to students in Black Class after Easter. We would like to thank the engineer, Pat and the contractor, David for their hard work in getting everything ready for us.



School News

Like all of you we are taking each day as it comes. Teachers have been sending home work to help keep students in a routine. There is no pressure on anyone - we are all doing our best. Let your teacher know what you need. Love and best wishes to each and every one of you.

Regards Éilis

Our deepest condolences to the family of Edward Anthony who died on 18th February 2020. RIP.

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A.T.P. Action Team Partnership Update

Our ATP committee have been working hard this year. We will continue to work on previously set targets, including phase 2 of the playground. We have also decided to add a community and learning target to develop our school library area. We have already discussed how improvements can be made and will bring ideas to our next meeting. Should anyone have any ideas or can offer assistance in this area. Please contact Ben.

Erasmus + - Ireland played hosts.

St. Cecilia's were involved in the penultimate visit of this project to Durham between March 11th and 15th 2020. Janice and Triona visited our friends to finalise our project on healthy eating. It was great to see the progress we have made with our European partners through appointing students as ambassadors within our respective schools to promote healthy eating and exercise for all.

It is with great sadness however that we have to say goodbye to our friends from Durham, as due to Brexit they will be ineligible for participation after the concluding trip to Portugal in May. We would like to thank Suzanne and her colleagues for all her dedication and friendship during this time and we hope that's its not goodbye just au revoir.



Shaping up nicely.

Throughout this theme of Fashion, Pink class have been busy focusing on 2D and 3D shapes in Numeracy, we have worked hard at; naming, identifying properties and sorting shapes. The students have also been hard at work using calculators to answer addition, subtraction and even some multiplication questions. The students really enjoyed using the calculators to check their own independent work. In Pink class we have also been role playing scenarios of students returning faulty items back to a shop, which was very enjoyable.

Linked to our theme of "Fashion" the students have been identifying key symbols on clothing for washing and the materials the clothes are made from.

Thank you everyone for sharing your work through videos and photos using Seesaw. I hope you all stay safe and look forward to hearing from you in the upcoming weeks.



Do you know this LÁMH sign? It's an item of clothing.....

Tip—It goes on your feet.



Change of address.

Please be aware that we have changed our e-mail address. If you wish to contact us our new address is stcecilias@stceciliasschool.ie

A very strange term so far! Red class continue to work away on a variety of topics via See-Saw. We continue to work on numeracy and the significance of numerals in relation to quantity. We are enjoying songs about clothes and fashion. Students are working on colour and colour mixing for art and we even have a student who is cycling for PE! These are challenging times for Students and parents alike and there has been a great response from families to working from home! Well done to all and we look forward to seeing you in the not too distant future.

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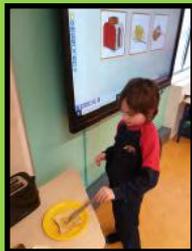
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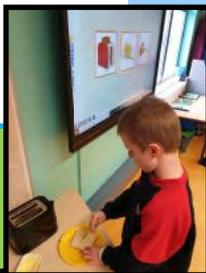
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Snack Masters—As we are now in Spring, we have been learning what clothes we will wear depending on the weather outside. We know that we need our coats if it is raining or cold and do not need our wet gear if it is dry. We have also been working very



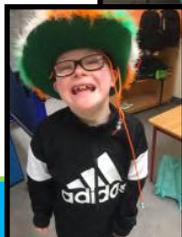
hard on our handwriting, some of us using Handwriting without Tears and others writing on own.

By following sequences and instructions, we were able to make ourselves some lovely toast for snack.



Perfect Parents—The parents and students have responded extremely well to working from home.

They have set up work areas, TEACCH systems and daily schedules for the students to engage in their L1LP curriculum. An amazing achievement.



Many Thanks

With anticipation, we prepared for St Patrick's Day in Yellow Class. We made bunting with Steffi, which we

hung in a pattern- flags, shamrocks and Leprechauns. It looked really festive. We dressed up and joined in the school parade using our favourite percussion, maracas and bells, we had a great time! Also a big "shout out" to Wendy Green,

who donated cycling helmets to the school! We are delighted with them and we are all back on our bikes now. Many thanks for your generosity!



Patterns galore! We were working really hard on patterns this term. We made patterns using concrete materials, using ICT, clapped out patterns of sound and kept an eye out for patterns in the environment too. We have worked hard on learning the names of different clothes items and went on trips to clothes shops in town to work on our fashion theme. Now that our work has moved home we have still be working hard and checking in with purple class and sending pictures of all our hard work on Seesaw.

Fashionistas!! - Hope you are all keeping safe and well. Before school closed we were learning through the theme of fashion. We had started a project making our own fancy hats, we were listening and joining in with the sensory story 'The Smartest Giant in Town, and we had visited some shops around Sligo trying on hats. We were learning about measure, so we all measured our feet and recorded the results.



Green School Flag

It has been a busy term for Green schools. The junior green schools committee and student council have been feeding back on the changes to our playground. We are looking to plant more trees to create a wooded area on the junior playground and Paul has been in contact with the council about this. We hope to see planting and growing in the near future.



Active School Flag

We recommend that everyone stays active and engaged in their physical educational activities throughout the week.. You can walk, cycle, yoga, move and dance all from the comfort of your immediate environment. Scan the following



codes to access yoga and dance pro-



grammes that you can do at home.



Super Sensory!

Before school closed due to this awful virus we were busy showing preferences for preferred and non preferred items through messy play! We explored a variety of different textures including wet gloop and dry oats. We had loads of fun exploring and the students in Navy class did great work communicating 'no' by pushing away the non preferred tray or reaching for the preferred sensory tray!



CRAFTed—We were delighted to be able to engage in the CRAFTed project again this year. White and Pink class have come together this time and we are working with a new artist- Grainne from Breeogue Pottery. Students engaged with the clay and over a few weeks learned some techniques so that they were able to create their own fish slab. We got to paint them just before we had to close up so hopefully Grainne will be able to 'fire' our creations to have as a beautiful piece of communal art for the school. We are looking forward to seeing the creations made with the clay we sent home.

Rough and Ready.—This term we have been exploring fabrics through our senses. We have been comparing and contrasting fabric and fibre according to colour and texture. Some of the children laughed upon hearing crinkly fabric and some children threw away some of the rougher textures like a natural sponge and hessian!



LÁMH Answer— Shoe