



Farewell - St. Cecilia's School would like to wish Jenny and Lee and their families the best of futures. We have been proud to watch you grow and develop into enthusiastic, communicative, happy young adults. It has been our pleasure to watch you achieve. You will be missed by all.

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Health Promoting School Award

Congratulations and thank you to Shane on helping us to achieve a new accolade. We are now officially a Health Promoting School. Well done to everyone who collated everything that we do at St. Cecilia's.

Dates for the Diaries

School closes @ 12:30 pm on Friday 28th June

July Provision starts on Monday 1st July @ 9:20am

July Provision ends on Friday 26th July @ 3:00pm

School leavers mass on Friday June 28th @10:30 am in Cregg church.

School opens for Term 1 of the 2019/2020 academic year on Thursday 29th August 2019 @ 9:20am

Child Protection—Update

March 7th 2018, saw the implementation of the updated Children First laws. St. Cecilia's school are obligated to report any concerns to TUSLA regarding students in our care. Our Child Safeguarding Statement is updated annually (May 19) and is available on our website and is displayed at the front entrance to the school.

Say Hello and Say Goodbye...

There are changes coming to St. Cecilia's over the coming months. Our growing numbers (56 enrolled students from September 19) mean that we have to expand. An application for a portable classroom to accommodate a new class has been made. We are all looking forward to welcoming our new student intake in August. Due to the increase in students the staffing levels are also increasing.

Two teachers (Janice and Triona) applied to job share next year and this was granted by the BOM. They will be working in White Class.

Roisin is undertaking a career break for the next academic year. We wish her well with her travels.

And finally we would like to thank Phil McLaughlin for all her work in St. Cecilia's over the last 20 years. Phil will be retiring from her **ISA (Inclusion support assistant is the new name for SNA)**, role, but will still be a bus escort. She will be hugely missed by students, staff and parents. It has been a pleasure to work with Phil, her sense of humour, enthusiasm and care for the students will be sorely missed.

Due to these changes there will be 3 new teachers and 3 new ISA's in school from our start date of Thursday August 29th 2019.



Ombudsman

Ben and Ciara were asked by the NCCA to develop lessons on behalf of the Ombudsman for Children regarding Children's rights. Pink Class were pleased to demonstrate their learning to the Ombudsman, Dr. Niall Muldoon and Margaret Flood from the NCCA when they came to visit school recently. Everyone was very impressed with our knowledge of the subject.



Taste the prints! Orange class has had fun creating prints using food and household items and body parts. We looked at Andy Warhol art and create our own version of his famous prints. We have explored different types of animals including marine life, jungle animals and farm animals. We visited Woodville farm and had the opportunity to touch baby chicks and lambs.

SPORTS GALORE!

It was all go at the Xcessible Sports Festival in the I.T in Sligo. Blue and Yellow classes attended and participated in all the games. We were running, jumping and throwing with great skill! Tomek really showed his speed in the relay and Eireann's feet were like lightening in the speed jumps. Sean showed us how he can throw a javelin with great accuracy and Katelyn was a whizz at the obstacle course. A fun day out for all!

Do you know this LÁMH sign? Tip: Its an animal that lives in water.



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The animals went in 2 by 2..

Red class have thoroughly enjoyed the theme of Animals this term. We have continued to work on our maths (number 1-5) and we have had a great time participating in the Gym-able program. We enjoyed our school tour. We visited Castle adventure farm in Ballyshannon and got up close and personal to some of the animals we have been learning about.

Active Adventurers

The highlight of term 3 was our school tour to Lough Gara Adventure Centre. What a fantastic day was had by all! We got to go horse riding - some of us on ponies whilst Ross, Martin & Paul got to ride a very tall horse! After horse riding we practiced our shooting and archery skills. Paul was a pro and managed to hit the target without fail unlike the staff in Pink Class who need to practice some more! At the end of the day we all completed an obstacle course which required us to balance walk across logs, tires and nets, crawl through tunnels and under nets and climb up and down a large ladder. It was hard work but we all pushed ourselves to the limit!

Erasmus + Estonia

Our latest Erasmus + trip took place to Võru in Estonia from June 5th—8th. Ciara and Ben visited our partner school, where we learned about how education provision is delivered in Estonia. We were very impressed with their healthy activity hallway which their ambassadors demonstrated to us...and even Ciara had a go! We were privileged to see some of their students graduate and we even played a great new game called "Discgolf" in the local forest which would be fantastic for the students at St. Cecilia's.



We would like to thank Reet and her colleagues for their very warm welcome and hospitality during our stay and we are looking forward to visiting Romania in October.



Green School Flag

What an exciting few months for Green schools! We have been awarded our Green flag for Global citizenship and energy and two members of our junior Green schools committee traveled to Claremorris with staff for the ceremony. We had a lovely time and enjoyed a nice lunch and a visit to a playground on the way home! Well done to all involved, a special well done to Eireann from Yellow Class and Erin from White.



Active School Flag

Our Active School Flag week from 11/6—15/6 2018 was as active as ever! Students and staff participated in a variety of activities. We had a fantastic school disco, we went on a whole school walk around Cregg. Some of the students went to the IT for an athletics event while the rest of the school participated in a school sports day in the hall we also played parachute games and had a jersey day. On Thursday staff had a line dancing lesson, it was great fun.



E-Booking

We have concluded our learning this term by making e-books. We looked at all the things we can do for our Personal care and wellbeing PLU. We learnt about crossing the road, recycling, sweeping up, cooking and shopping and paying for ingredients to make a healthy snack. You can have a read of our books on the school facebook page.



Weighting for summer...

We have been busy bees in Blue Class this Summer term. We have done lots of work on weight and determining what is heavy and light. We have been reading the story "Who Sunk the Boat" and had great fun deciding which animal was too heavy for the boat. We have been physically active engaging with the "Gymable" programme, horse riding and doing lots of outdoor walking and hiking. Some of us tackled Knockarea on the 14th of June which was a huge achievement.

Animals, Animals, Animals.

In Green Class this term we have been learning all about animals. We have made lots of fantastic animal themed art, we have read stories all about animals and we have listened to animal sounds used them in the stories. We have also visited NCF to look at the small animals they have there. Summer holidays are coming and I hope all Green Class students enjoy them.

School Leavers

This year the school and White class will be sad to say goodbye to Jenny and Lee. They have been two wonderful students who contributed a lot to the school community over the years. Always quick with a smile and a challenge they both could be relied on to join in any activity. We wish you both all the best in the future and hope you continue to make those around you as proud as you made us. Thank s also your families for all your support over the year.



Animals Galore!

We have been working on all things animals this term—We have been counting animals, listening to animal sounds and making animal sounds ourselves. We have been listening to animal stories including "Dear zoo" and "the Gruffalo". We have even made some brilliant animal themed art including a group sea scape.

LAMH answer: Fish