

# ST CONLETH & MARY'S NS NEWSLETTER FEB 2022



## Welcome

Welcome to our February 2022 newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading about some of the work and activities taking place in classrooms.

This is only a small flavour of what is happening in the classrooms in our very busy school.

Our school building project continues to progress and we are very excited to see the project taking shape.

## School Calendar for March & April 2022

### March 16:

School closes at 12pm

### March 17 & 18:

School closed

### April 8:

School closes at 12pm

### April 11 - 22:

School closed for  
Easter Break



# Around the Classrooms

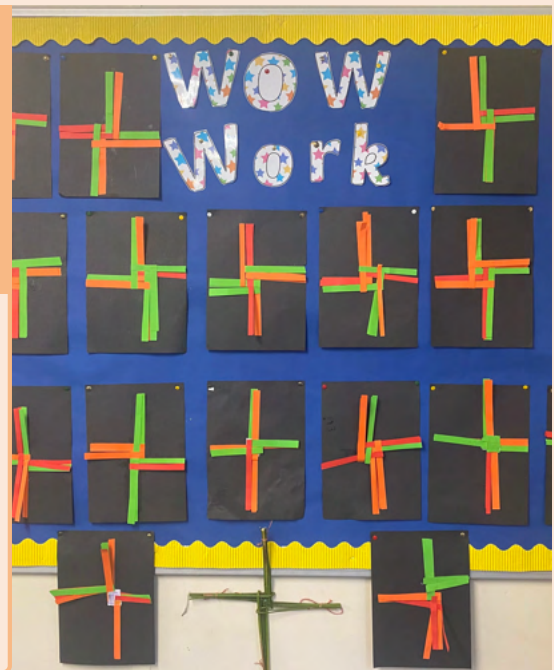


## Room 5

This week in 3rd class in Room 5 we are taking part in Friendship Week. We have designed these handprints and are also taking part in the secret friend activity. We look forward to doing more nice gestures to contribute to Friendship Week

## Room 3

Room 3 created colourful St. Brigid's crosses to celebrate St. Brigid's Day. They attended a Webinar via Zoom to learn all about the life of St. Brigid, her miraculous cloak, and the reasoning behind celebrating St. Brigid's Day.



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## Room 2

We enjoyed Catholic school's week by learning about the important items in the church and we visited the Parish Church to light some candles. We interviewed our grandparents for grandparents day and made them special cards. We made crosses from rushes to celebrate St. Brigid's day



## Room 11

In Room 11 we were learning about the Renaissance in History. We learned about the improvements made in literature, science and art. We learned about Michelangelo and how he painted the Sistine Chapel. It took him 4 years to paint and in order to do so he had to lie up on a scaffolding on his back for this length of time. For art, the children stuck their pages with masking tape to the undersides of their desks and painted while lying on the floor. The children really enjoyed this lesson and loved discussing how it must have been for Michelangelo painting like this for 4 years.



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## Room 6

This term in room 6, we got crafty. We learned how to weave and sew. Although it proved to be challenging, everyone was up for the task and enjoyed the creative process. Any holes in uniforms can be sent to room 6 for repair!

## Room 4

All the children in room 4 are writing to their pen pals who are in a school in Skerries, Co Dublin. The children were very excited to get their letters and are working very hard writing their responses.



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## Room 7

### Spring New Life

We learned about bulbs and how they store energy. We planted daffodils and tulips and they have now begun to sprout. They will add a little bit of colour to our school for Spring.



## Room 8

Room 8 have been very busy learning all about China and the Chinese New Year festival. This year marks the year of the tiger and the children produced some lovely tiger artwork and made tiger bookmarks.



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## Room 10

Fourth class in room 10 have been learning about China and the traditions of the Chinese New Year. The Chinese New year starts on a different date each year, it was celebrated on the 1st of February this year. In China each year is represented by a different animal. 2022 is the year of the Tiger. Most of the children in Room 10 were born in the year of the rabbit or the dragon.

## Room 14

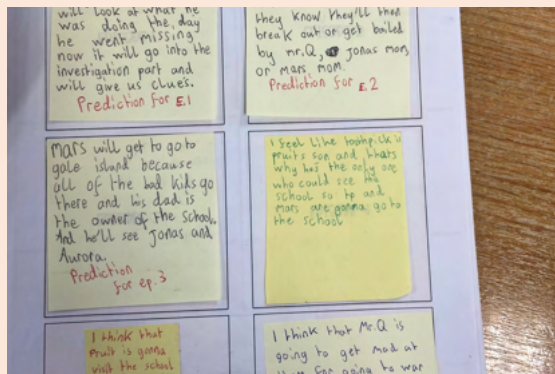
Room 14 tried out the Dabbledoo music trial and really enjoyed it, particularly composing and using their voices. They found it good fun. The children made beautiful cards for St. Valentine's Day and showed off their skills in paper weaving. They also learned how to cross stitch at the end of last term and will be designing their own Easter patterns in a few weeks. In science, we did an experiment to show the effects of coronary heart disease and we also began the fit4class program where we will be developing skills for athletics.



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## Room 16

After Christmas this year, room 16 finished off their podcast study. The class had been listening to a podcast entitled 'The Unexplainable Disappearance of Mars Patel'. The class listened to 10 episodes and had to uncover clues to figure out what had happened. They undertook character studies, made predictions and looked at the themes in the podcast. They're already looking forward to season two which they will be listening to after Easter.



## Room 9

This month Room 9 have been celebrating the arrival of Spring. The children created these beautiful vases of flowers by designing the vases and using a combination of card and crepe paper to create the colourful flowers. The children were delighted with the results and have received many compliments from visiting teachers!



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## Room 7

Friendship Week:

We made friendship bands for our school Friendship Week. We asked our friends what their favourite colours were and used cardboard and wool to weave a band for them. After a few mistakes we got the hang of it. We even made a little woollen clasp on the end to hold the band on your wrist.

## Room 15

On the first of February, St. Brigid's day we made St. Brigid's crosses as a class. We made our crosses from clay. We are also completing a short class project based on the Six Nations Rugby tournament. All students were assigned a country at random and we have been answering research questions about this country for homework each night.



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## Room 13

Room 13 completed various examples of optical art and had lots of fun. Children also completed a hand of Friendship and other activities for friendship week



## First Communion & Confirmation Dates

First Communion (all in the parish church)

9 May Ms Bolton's Class 6pm

10 May Ms Downey's Class 6pm

11 May Ms Nugent's Class 6pm

Confirmation (all in the parish church)

23 May Mr Collins Class 6pm

24 May Mr Merrins Class 6pm

24 May Ms Byrne's Class 6pm



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