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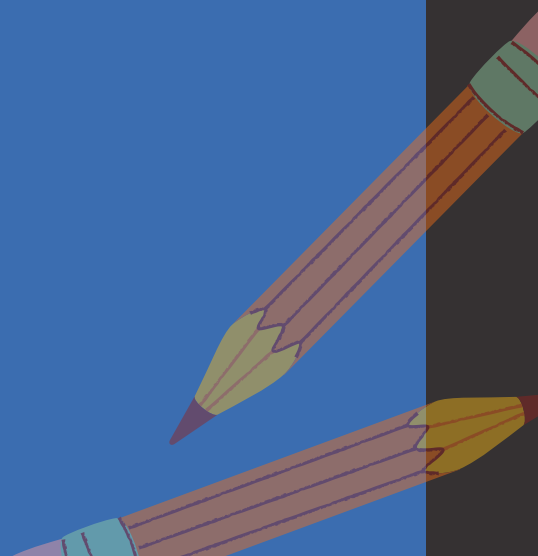
2024


A message from the Principal

Hi all and welcome to our bulletin for February. This month was the beginning of Spring and it is wonderful to see the signs of Spring in nature. We celebrated St Brigid's day at the beginning of the month with some wonderful artwork and storytelling at Assembly. The classes have been working with very busy planting in the polytunnels and preparing the soil for the plants.

We have entered into a busy time of year for the school. Sports teams are training, tours are being planned, preparation for the sacraments is under way and we are preparing for the new season. As always, we value your support with various initiatives and projects that the children are involved in. We look forward to working with you all over the coming months.

Johanne Dunne





St Francis of Assisi Primary School Belmayne

SCHOOL NEWS

Dates to remember

- World Book Day – 7th March 2024
- Seachtain na Gaeilge 11th – 15th March
- Green day Friday 15th March- children come to school wearing green clothes
- Book Fair - in school on 7th March 2024 until 13th March

Bike Safety

Following on from the Aladdin message last week, we would like to remind all parents that bikes and scooters should be locked to the bike sheds. Bikes and scooters should not be left on school grounds over night.

School books/ Materials

We would like to remind children and parents that it is their responsibility to take care of school materials that are sent home eg. library books, graded readers etc. If the books are damaged parents will be asked to pay to replace the books. The cost will depend on the price of the book.

Vaping on school grounds

Reminder to all parents that Vaping or smoking on school grounds is not allowed.

SPORTS

NEWS

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FAI Soccer League

Football

The School Football team are through to the next round of the Pegasus Cup after beating St. Vincents PS. Aaron Mouchanan scored a great goal in extra time to win 1-0.



GAA News

The Senior boys GAA football team began their Fingal League campaign with a win vs St. Brendan's Loughsinny NS in St Maur's GAA club. The boys threw on their boots and jerseys and went without their usual warm-up, rushing from a confirmation workshop. SFA trailed by 4 points at the break. The second half was a different story and St Francis of Assisi pulled back to win by 4 goals and 4 points to 2 goals and 1 point. There were strong performances all over the field. The boys displayed a never-say-die attitude and cool heads to battle back into the game. Super sub, Victor G caused havoc near the St. Brendan's goal. Fionn M, who celebrated his birthday on the same day, scored a penalty that Con O'Callaghan would be proud of. Well done to some of the boys who represented the school for the first time. A great start to the Fingal League. The boys play Scoil Chiaráin at home next.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Second class

Room 7 studied spring flowers and painted daffodils. They were inspired by seeing the daffodils they planted on the school grounds starting to grow.

Both 2nd Classes made their First Confession last Wednesday 28th February in Holy Trinity Church. Well done to all the boys and girls who prepared so well for it.



Third class

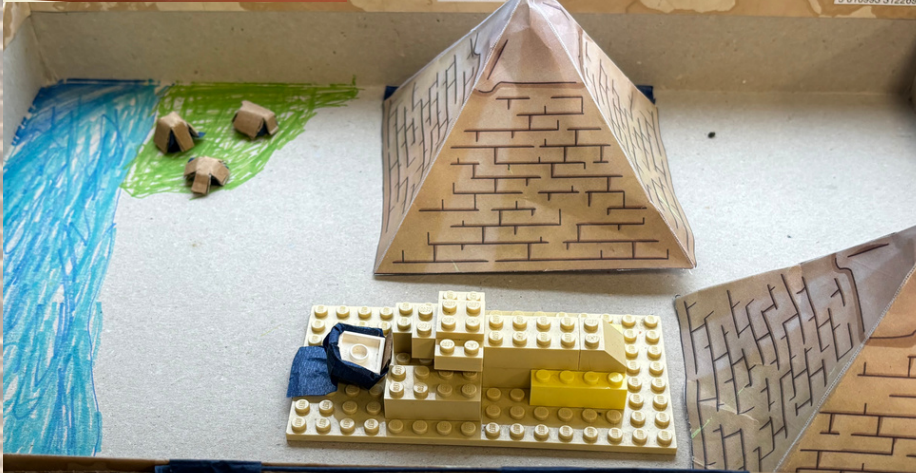
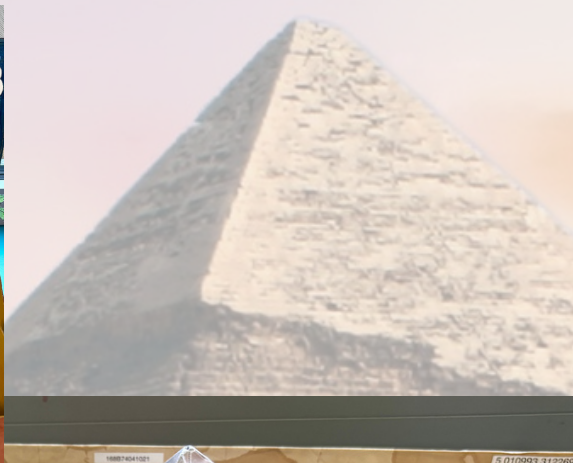
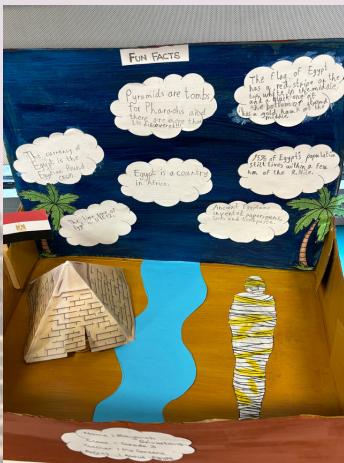
Third class room 10 studied the layers of the Earth's crust! They made wonderful clay models.

Did you know - Continental crust covers 41% of the Earth's surface, though a quarter of that area is under the oceans. The continental crust is 20 to 80 kilometers thick. Its rocks hold four billion years of Earth history.

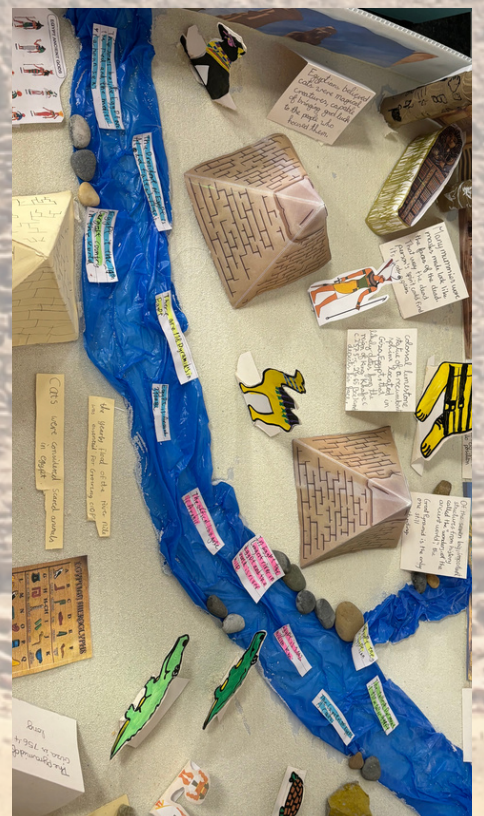
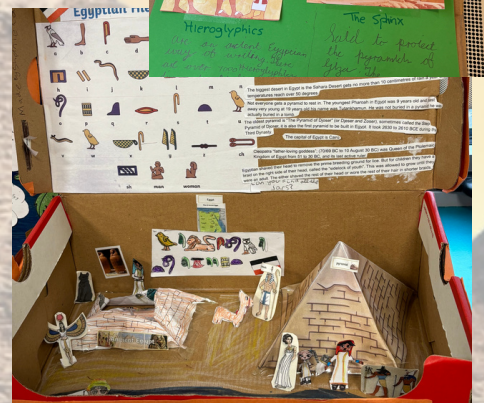
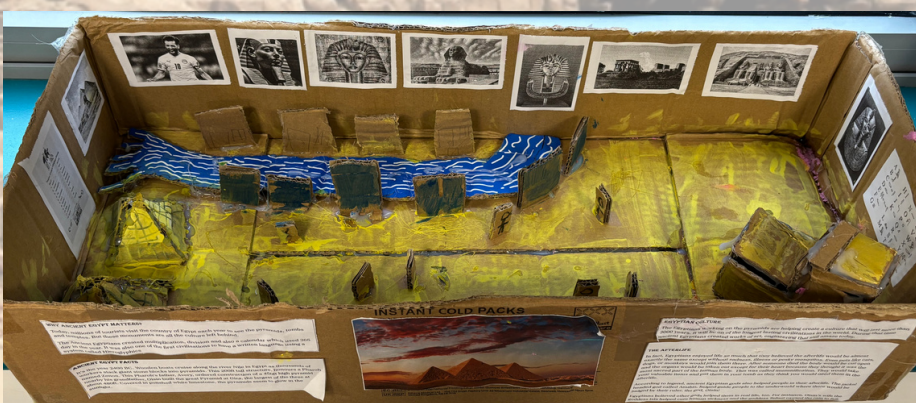


ANCIENT EGYPT

ROOM 10 WERE STUDYING THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS IN SESE AND MADE THESE WONDERFUL PROJECTS. WELL DONE TO ALL!



fact about Egypt
The pyramid of Giza in Egypt is the largest of the pyramids. This is because the weight is up to 16 empire. It is the ancient Egyptian civilization. A lot of them that are paper, papyrus, lotus, bay and lotus. There are a lot of things that are made by the ancient Egyptians. It is thought that most of the things that are made by the ancient Egyptians are made of papyrus. It is thought that more than 700 hieroglyphs.



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CHESS JAMBOREE



“What on earth is a Jamboree?”

Written by Emily & Maeve Room 14

Recently, the children from 3rd to 6th Class were invited to partake in a Chess Jamboree in the school hall. A Chess Jamboree is a fun competition, where each Chess game lasts just 10 minutes. The taking part and having fun is more important than the winning, it was also a chance to socialise and meet children from other classes. About 40 children took part in the Jamboree. The children who were lucky enough to win got an Easter Egg prize. There were also prizes for the best sport. Everyone had a great time and played lots of chess! Thank you to Mr. Murphy for organising it.



GREEN SCHOOL NEWS



GARDENING WORKSHOPS



Patrick Hunt visited our school to give gardening workshops to Senior Infants, First Class and Fourth Class. He took the students in small groups. They planted carrots, onions, peas and broad beans.

Mr. Heavey and Marcin have been working hard preparing the beds. If you are free to help with this, we would really appreciate it. Please email deirdre.hanley@sfaps.net for more information. The Green School also ran an awareness competition and slogan competition for our new flag Global Citizenship and Energy.



PREPARING OUR NEW BEDS



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2024

We have a wide variety of After School activities on offer for students to choose from. The next term will resume after Easter. Please look out for the message on Aladdin. Contact the relevant teacher for more information. See the timetable below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Drama club - Katie Marum 1 st - 5 th class 2:30pm – 3:30pm katie.marum@sfaps.net	Art club - Clodagh Small 1 st - 6 th class 2:30pm – 3:30pm clodagh.small@sfaps.net	Irish dancing – Yvonne Junior 1:30pm - 2:30pm Senior 2:30pm – 3:30pm carolanwehdancem@gmail.com	Chess club Improvers - Advanced - Ciarán Murphy 2 nd - 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm ciaranmurphychess@gmail.com	Basketball - Audrey/ Killester basketball club Junior 1:30pm - 2:30pm Senior 2:30pm – 3:30pm killesterbasketballs@sfaps@gmail.com
Sports & Activities club - Derek Andrews 2 nd – 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm derek.Andrews@sfaps.net	Basketball Junior & Senior - Audrey/ Killester basketball club Junior Infants – 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm killesterbasketballs@sfaps@gmail.com	Junior Lego club - Seamus Finnerty Junior Infants – 2 nd class 2:30pm - 3:30pm s.finnerty@sfaps.net	Junior Rainbow Yoga club - Deirdre Hanley Junior infants – 4 th class 2:30pm – 3:30pm deirdre.hanley@sfaps.net	Chess club Beginners - Ciarán Murphy Junior infants - 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm ciaranmurphychess@gmail.com
	Games club – Stephen Mulligan 1 st – 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm stephen.mulligan@sfaps.net	Senior Lego club - Patrick Conroy 3 rd – 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm p.conroy@sfaps.net	Junior Science club - Aideen Filan Junior infants - 1 st class 2:30pm - 3:30pm aideen.filan@sfaps.net	
	Music Club – Maria Doolan 1 st – 6 th Class 2:30pm - 3:30pm maria.doolan@sfaps.net		Senior Science club - Aoife Colohan 2 nd - 6 th class 2:30pm - 3:30pm scienceclubs@sfaps@gmail.com	

PTA UPDATE



PTA Update

The PTA are busy organising the Summer Fair which will take place on Sunday 9th June between 12 and 4pm. We hope it will be a successful event with games, food and much more. In order to make the day run smoothly we are reaching out to all of the parents in the school looking for volunteers. If you can commit to an hour on the day we would be grateful of any help. Please contact your class rep if you can help and we will pull together a volunteers whatsapp.

