

Boston National School



Newsletter

Written by the children

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Pancake Tuesday by Ryan Lee

Pancake Tuesday was on the 28th of



February. It is also known as Shrove Tuesday. Pancake Tuesday is just before Ash Wednesday.

The junior room got to make their own pancakes and try out Lots of different toppings like lemon, sugar jam and syrup. I had pancakes with chocolate on them for dessert. They were delicious.

Grandparent's Day by David Cooney

On Grandparents day you pray for your grandparents. This year Grandparent's Day was on the 1st of February. I am very sad that one of my grandparents died but I have lots of lovely memories to remember every day. My grandparents love me and I love them. It is nice to do something for your grandparents and to thank them for all they have done for you.

The Net Team by Joseph Dillon

Every second Tuesday the NET team comes in to talk about God and play fun games. Their names are Luke, McKenzie, Annie, David and Cicellia. The net team live in Crusheen. Some of the games are called

lighthouse and clapology. They sang with us and we wrote a letter to Jesus together.

Ireland in the 1900's by Julia Pyles Nery

The whole school took part in the INTO handwriting competition. We had to write about life in the early 1900's. People were very poor and had tough lives. We had to use our neatest handwriting and the teachers picked the best to enter the competition. I was so happy that my handwriting was chosen by Ms Murphy.

10 @ 10 by Kathellyn Noleto da Silva

Our school took part in 10@10 with Operation Transformation. It was on the 10th of February at 10 o' clock for 10 minutes. It was so much fun. We made a running train around the school. We did jumping jacks, skipping, hula hooping and basketball.



We all had great fun getting active and being healthy.

The school photographer by Cairinn Kearns

On the 10th of February the photographer came to take our school photos. He took pictures of each family together. Then we



went outside to take one whole school photo. After that we took a Funny photo which was so much fun. We can now buy these photos to keep at home.

Swimming by Moya Naughton

The whole school got to go to the Lady Gregory for six swimming lessons. We started on the 12th of January and it was part of our P.E. My favourite part was when we got to play games in the water. Everyone learned how to swim and we had lots of fun. I can't wait for swimming again next year.

St Brigid Crosses by Eva Jaffray

On the 1st of February we made crosses for St. Brigid's Day. The priest came in to bless the crosses. I made one for my Granny, she

loved it.

Miss

Kennedy

helped

everyone

but we

mostly did

it ourselves. Each family got one cross for their house.



Enrolment day by Louis Venus

An enrolment day was held in the school. It was on Monday the 27th of March from 1pm to 3pm and from 5pm to 7pm. New pupils and their parents came to look at our school and talk to the teachers.

Science Week by Saoirse Dillon

As part of the Discover primary Science and Maths programme we had a Science week in school and had a guest speaker

come in to talk to us all about science.

Olivia, a secondary school teacher and also my mam came in and did fun experiments with us. She showed us how some liquids can act as a solid if the right amount of pressure is added. This liquid was called Oobleck. Olivia also taught us about static electricity. She brought in a Vanda graph generator which produced static electricity. We saw lightning coming from it and when we touched it we felt a little shock. We

also learned about acids and bases. We tested both vinegar and soap using



litmus paper and then used the PH scale to see if the substance was an acid or a base. It was all really fun. I would love to do it all again.

A Visit from the Marine Institute By Annie Kearns

We took a part in the Marine Explorer's Education Programme. On Wednesday 15th February a researcher from the Marine Institute came to

our school. Her name was Carmel.

First she showed us pictures of loads of sea creatures like sea



anemones and fish. Next we had to find out what the names of some shells were. After that, 1st, 2nd and 3rd class matched and coloured sea creatures. The older pupils traced shells and rocks. Later on 4th, 5th and 6th had to come up with everything

that uses the sea. It was a competition between the boys and the girls to see who could come up with the most. We learned a lot about the seashore and really enjoyed taking part in this programme.

St. Patrick's Day by the Junior Room

St. Patrick's Day was on the 17th of March. We had the day off school. We went to St. Patrick's parades in Gort, Cork and Dublin. On Thursday in school we all got to dress up in green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We also made St. Patrick's Day masks. We had great fun.



St Valentine's Day by the Junior Room

St Valentine's Day was on the 14th of February. We made St. Valentine's cards for our Valentine. This is someone special



who we love very much. The colour red and pink are used to show someone you love them.

The Hygienist by Liam O'Donoghue

On the 1st of February the hygienist came to talk to us about how to look after and care for our teeth. She showed us what foods and drinks had sugar and what ones did not. Then we got to see all the

different kinds of toothbrushes and we got to see black toothpaste! It was super cool. She also showed us how to brush our teeth properly. We all got our own brushing chart to make sure we brush our teeth twice a day.



Seachtaine na Gaeilge by Daniel Lee

Seachtaine na Gaeilge was celebrated in our school from March 13th to 16th. The senior room preformed "Tóg Amach Mé" which has the same music as "Wagon Wheel". The senior room put on a play called "An Trí Mhuc". The junior room put on a play called "Cinnín Óir agus na Trí Bhéar". They also performed two songs "Mé Féin" and "Splish, Splash, Splish". We had great fun practicing for the plays.

Engineering Week by Gustavo Martins Baiao



For Engineering Week we learned that there are lots of different types of engineers. We learned all about chemical

engineers and civil engineers. The senior room made red slime from washing detergent and food colouring. We also had a competition to see who could make the strongest bridge from 1 sheet of paper. We used coins to test the strength. The junior room had to construct the tallest

building they could by using marshmallows and spaghetti. We all had lots of fun.

Concertina and Guitar by Richard Frederico

We continued with our concertina lessons with Jackie in the first week of February. Jackie divided us into two groups. The first group are learning "Éiníní" and "Springtime". The second group are learning "Judas Maccabaeus". We are getting better! Pupils in first class are learning guitar with Richard. They are learning "Ireland's Call".

Crocus day by Kieran Lee

We planted crocus seeds in October. This was to remind us of the Holocaust. On January 27th, it was



holocaust memorial day. We looked at the crocus plants and thought about all the people who had died in the Holocaust. The crocuses were blooming.

Friendship Week by Nathan Cooney

From the 13th to the 17th of February Boston N.S celebrated friendship week. Friendship week is a week where you try to be friendlier and more kind to people. Everyone tried to be friendlier. Everyone helped other people with their jobs. On



Friday we read out notes from the kindness box and made friendship smoothies. Each

person got to pick a piece of fruit to go into the smoothie.

Green school By Gabriella Palmear

We are working hard towards our second green flag. This flag is for energy. The green school is really important because we need to save energy. We save energy in our school by; closing the doors, turning off the computers and whiteboards at break and lunch time. On Tuesday 21st of March we had a "Power Down Day." We didn't use the laptops, whiteboards or turn on the lights. The teachers weren't allowed to use the kettle either. Everyone is working really hard to save energy in Boston N.S.

World Book Day By Arthur Martins Baiao

We celebrated World Book Day on the 9th March. Everyone brought in their favourite book. I brought in "The Simpsons" comic. Some people dressed up as their favourite book characters.



Sean nòs by James Kearns

On the 21st of December 2016, Sean came to our school. He taught us songs like "Bean Phaidín" and "Óró, sé do bheatha 'bhaile". He then came again on the 11th, 18 and 25th of January. It was great fun! Then he brought in his tin whistle. It was made of wood. It was really cool.