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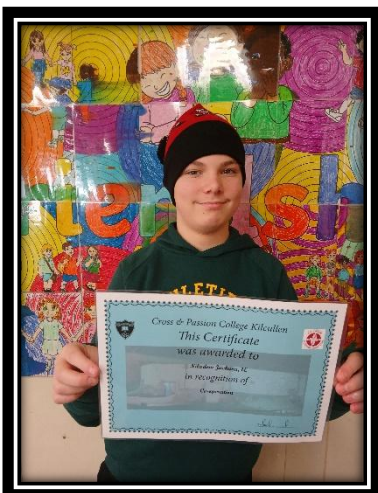
Nov/Dec Newsletter

Welcome to our Nov/Dec newsletter. We have lots to share with you after a very busy November and December. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and everyone in Rm 26 and Rm 27 would like to wish you a very Happy New Year!!

Birthday Celebrations

In November we celebrated Joe's 17th birthday and just before we finished up for the Christmas break, we had an early celebration for Alex's 14th birthday.

Huge congratulations to Niko who got a Co-operation award at the first-year assembly in December! Niko earned this award for being so helpful to his teacher in class and for his kindness toward his classmates. Well done, Niko!



Maths Quiz

by Tomás in 2nd year

Can you find the Mean, Mode, Median and Range of the following set of numbers?

8,5,13,6,24,8,12,19,10

Joke of the Month

By Charlie

What do you get if you strap a stick of dynamite to a Hedgehog?

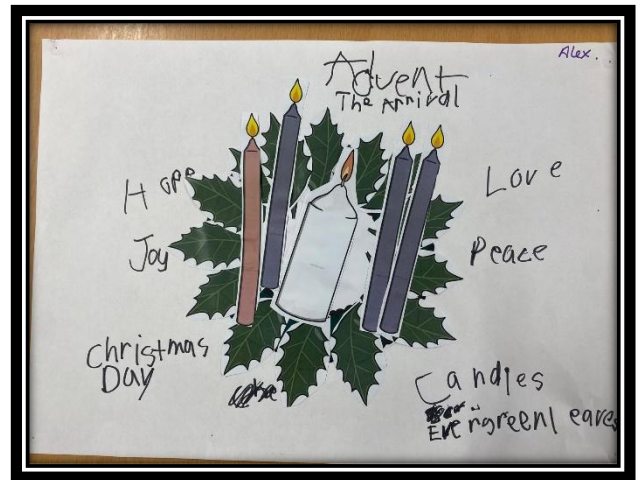
A Sonic Boom!!



Art Gallery

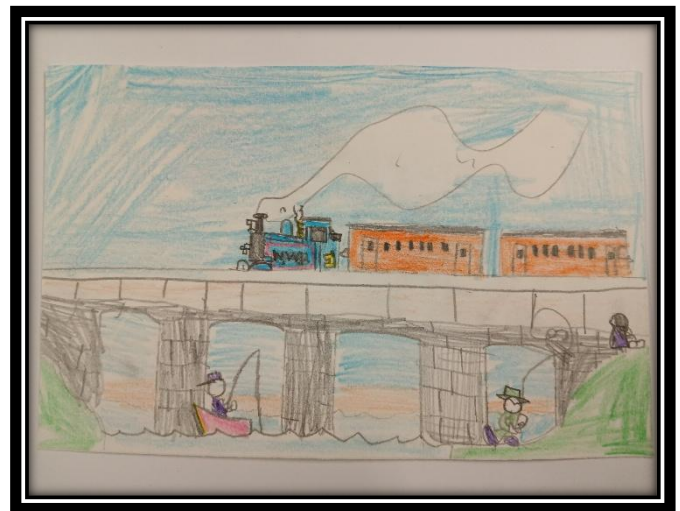


This is another fabulous Mural that the students have been working on over the last few weeks and it has now been completed and looks fabulous on the wall. Well done, Charlie, Ethan, Dylan, Niko, Tomas and Alex.



Alex created this lovely Advent Wreath for Christmas. Well done, Alex.

Ethan completed this fabulous piece in art class. Well done, Ethan.



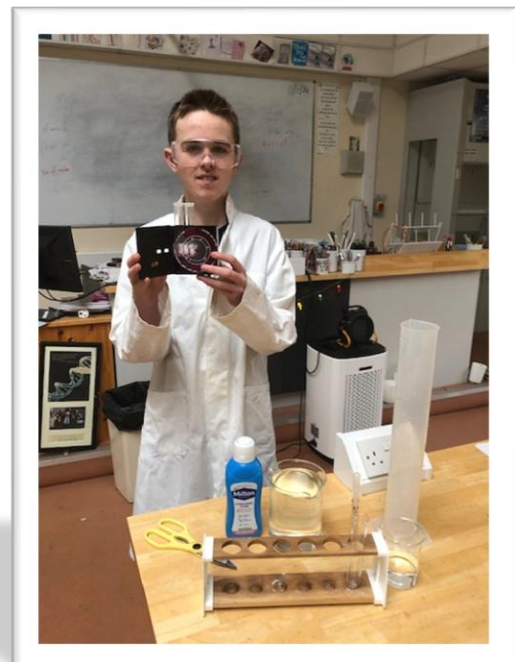
Christmas decorations created by Charlie, Niko, Ethan, Dylan, Tomas and Alex with Ms. Murphy. A fabulous addition to the Christmas tree.

Our first-year students, Ethan, Niko, Charlie and Dylan, enjoyed a trip up to Dublin on the 4th of December. They travelled by bus to the Gaiety Theatre to see Peter Pan. They really enjoyed the performance. On the way home we stopped at McDonalds. Thanks to Mrs. O'Malley for organising a great day out!



Niko and Charlie made hovercrafts in Science with Ms. Higgins while learning about energy and energy conversions.

All the students from Room 26 and Room 27, along with Mr Blanchfield, Ms. Ross and the SNA's, went on a trip to Whitewater on the 5th of December for our annual Christmas shopping trip. The students had a great time looking around the shops and then we all sat down and had a lovely lunch together. We were having such a great time that we completely forgot to take a photo!!



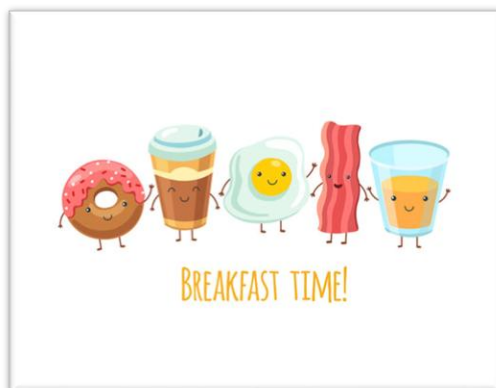
Alex had a great time doing some water Chemistry experiments in the Lab with Mr Harkin.



What's cooking in the kitchen?



Alex and Tomás have been busy cooking up a storm in the kitchen with Ms. O'Flaherty. They have been focusing on healthy breakfasts, so they have made fruit smoothies, scrambled egg on toast and banana and chocolate chip breakfast muffins. Then for a treat just before Christmas, Alex made a Chocolate Log, and he did a super job decorating it.





Ms. Ross took Alex, Dylan, Charlie and Ethan on a window decoration scavenger hunt around the community just before the Christmas holidays. They finished their hunt at the Rivercafe where they enjoyed a delicious treat.



Ronan's Game of the Month

Climb a mountain of mystery..

In Celeste, Explore a mountain of mystery as you climb it. Of course, climbing a mountain is no easy feat.

Play as Madeline, as she climbs the mountain, as she climbs it only gets harder and harder. And she learns the mysteries of the mountain.

Celeste's gameplay is done with the AirDash and climb ability. While the dash is the standard expected for most games, The climb mixes things up. As it allows for more vertical movement without being as powerful as flying.

Celeste's gameplay is EXTREMELY tough, and even the best of the best will struggle with it, But this represents quite literally how it feels to climb a mountain. It requires a lot of dedication and effort to make it through some of the tough challenges of the game, and there's little to no punishment for messing up, with you just spawning back a few metres from the actual challenge. The game reaffirms this as it reminds the player to always take a break.



In conclusion, Celeste is a wonderful challenge for players of all skill levels with a beautiful art-style.

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Logan's Remarkable Reptiles

American Alligator

Name: American Alligator

Species: Alligator mississippiensis

Region of Origin: United States of America

Difficulty: No...just NO!

Conservation Status: Least Concern

Description: The American Alligator is a species of Alligator found in the USA mainly in Florida. The American Alligator needs a super large enclosure (Hope you like giving up a room in your house) And you also need lots of food.

Temperament: While considered the friendliness Crocodilian they are still responsible for lots of attacks and are more than capable of killing you.

Difficulties: Do I even need to explain this?



C.S.I with Alex

This week in Ms. Lamont's class I have been learning how to use the Microscope. I have learned how to set up the Microscope correctly and how to focus on different samples on the slides. I found an Amoeba on one of the slides which is usually found at the bottom of freshwater ponds. Next class we will be looking at different hair samples from cats, dogs and people.



Ag Science with Joe

This month in Ag Science we are studying grassland. We learnt about Botanical composition, production levels and stock rate. These three points make up grassland values. We learnt about the different categories of grassland:

- Rough mountain or hill grazing.
- Permanent grassland.
- Leys

We learned how each grassland is suited to different animals, for example hill grazing is more suitable for sheep and goats whereas permanent grassland is more suitable for cattle.

We learnt about the two types of clover. White clover is used for grazing and red clover is used for silage production. We also learnt how the productiveness of Grassland can affect food production and stock rates of the LWG/milk production of food producing animals.





Soccer News

By Tomás



On Saturday, Newcastle united defeated Spurs 2-1 at the Tottenham hotspur stadium. Spurs striker named Domanic Solanke scored in the 4th minute to put spurs 1-0 up, but then 2 goals from Isak and Gordon put the magpies 2-1 up. Full time was Spurs 1-2 Newcastle.

Also in the game, Tottenham's first choice goalkeeper and second choice goalkeeper Named Vicario and Fraser Forster were ruled out for the match. Vicario suffered a broken ankle, and Fraser Forster was sick. So that meant that their third-choice goalkeeper named Bradon Austin had to go in goals. This was his first game for spurs despite being at the club for 9 years. He was named Man of the match in his debut for Spurs.

Also, Newcastle and Netherlands Centre Back named Sven Botman returned after being out since March 2024 due to suffering a torn ACL in Newcastle's 2-0 Loss to Manchester City in last year's FA Cup Quarter Final. Man City ended up going to the final that year but lost to their bitter rivals Manchester United 2-1 with goals for Man Utd from Garnacho and Mainoo won Man Utd the FA Cup.



Answer to last month's Maths Quiz

Solve the
simultaneous
equation:

$$3x+y=13$$

$$x-2y=-5$$

$$x-2(13-3x)=-5$$

$$x-26+6x=-5$$

$$7x=-5+26$$

$$7x=21$$

$$x=21\div 7$$

$$x=3$$

Put $x=3$ into the original equation to find y :

$$3x+y=13$$

$$3(3)+y=13$$

$$9+y=13$$

$$y=13-9$$

$$y=4$$