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School Tour Season 2022

Last year we had the school tour activities come to us but we're delighted to be booking buses again this year for the school tours. The tours will generally be during the school day but the class teachers will send a message via Aladdin closer to the school tour day to confirm departure & arrival times as well as what will be needed on the day. A link will be posted to Aladdin ePayments as well as a Permission request this week *but please note that the money is not required until June 17th*.

Junior Infants - Friday May 27th - Smuggler's Cove, Rosscarbery

Senior Infants - Friday May 27th - Smuggler's Cove, Rosscarbery

1st class - Monday May 23rd - Cuskinny Group Activity Centre, Cobh

2nd class - Monday May 23rd - Cuskinny Group Activity Centre, Cobh

3rd class - Monday May 23rd - Cuskinny Group Activity Centre, Cobh

4th class - Friday June 10th - Let's Go! Little Island Sports Complex, Cork

5th class - Wednesday June 1st - Zip It, Farran, Co. Cork

6th class - Friday June 17th - Ballyhass Outdoor Adventure Centre, Mallow



Cycle Right Training for 4th class

Our school is staging a course in cycling safety training run by Wild Atlantic Sports for 4th class this term. The course is aligned to Cycle Right, the National Standard for Cycle Safety Training in Ireland, and is delivered by qualified trainers from the national register. The training will prove invaluable to everyone. For those who already cycle to school, the benefits are obvious, but training is just as important for children who cycle only at home and during the holidays. In fact, everyone who will ever get on a bike needs to learn the safety skills required to assess situations on the road and to how to react to them. Also, by teaching children to cycle safely, and by encouraging them to cycle in the course of their daily lives, we are putting in place the habit of exercise.

The course will consist of 5 sessions with the pupils. Topics covered will include: safe equipment; rules of the road; starting and stopping; road positioning; shoulder checking; turning left and right; overtaking and traffic manoeuvres, and, where appropriate to the group, on-road training.



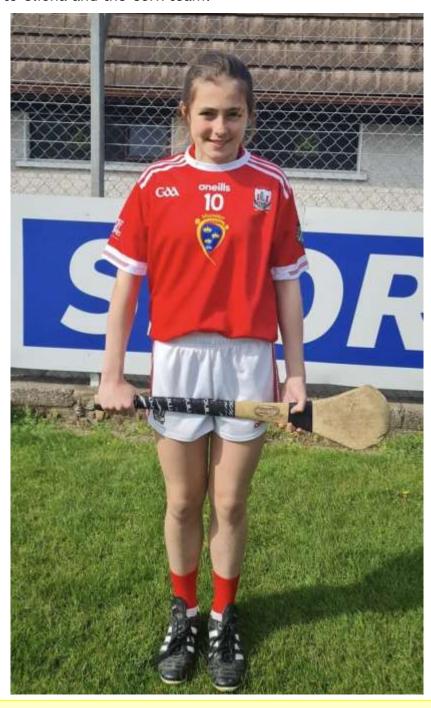






Cork Camogie Primary Games

Congratulations to Clíona Harte! Clíona has been chosen to represent Timoleague NS in the upcoming Cork Camogie Primary Games at the Cork v Waterford match in Walsh Park on May 15th. Best of luck to Clíona and the Cork team!



GAA & Sciath na Scol 2022

Volunteers from Argideen Rangers will be providing GAA training to *all* children in the school on Wednesdays for the rest of the term. Thank You to Dan Connolly for arranging these sessions. This Wednesday (tomorrow, May 4th) will be hurling so please bring in the hurleys & helmets. If you have spare hurleys etc., please send them in too.

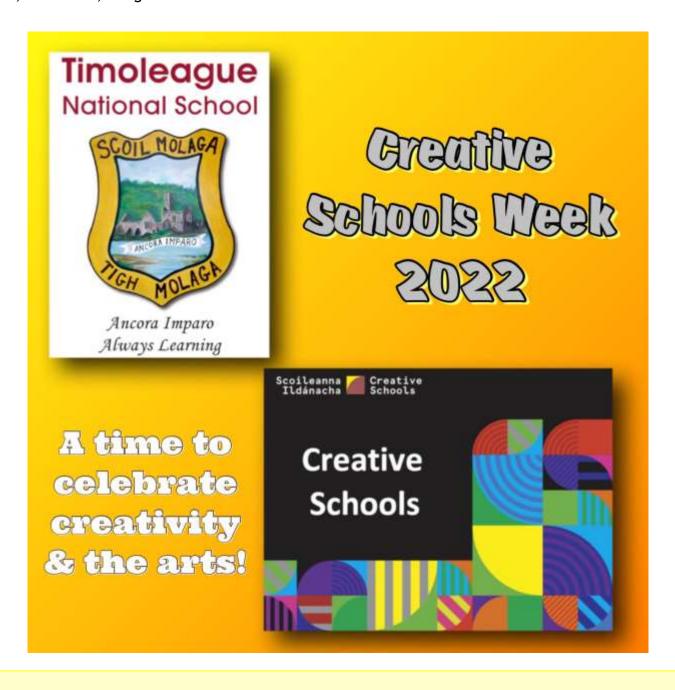


Camogie, hurling and football matches have been arranged for 5th & 6th class for this term. These will be subject to change so you can keep an eye on the calendar on the website as this will be updated regularly as needed.



Creative Schools Week 2022

Creative Schools Week takes place from May 9th - 13th. The theme this year "Creativity Lives Here" focuses on the abundance of arts and creative activities that take place in so many forms in every school. Creative Schools Week is a celebration of creativity in schools with a focus on fun, festivities, imagination and innovation.



Creative Schools Initiatives

Expressive Dance with Lisa Cliffe - Junior Infants to 3rd class

As part of the Creative Schools process, Junior Infants, Senior Infants, 1st class, 2nd class and 3rd class have expressive dance classes with Lisa Cliffe for a block of 6 weeks which started last Thursday.







Creative Schools Initiatives Trip to Uillinn West Cork Arts Centre - 4th class

4th class will be travelling to the Uillinn West Cork Arts Centre this Thursday May 5th in Skibbereen to visit an exhibition on the theme of Art and Language. The children will create work towards an exhibition which will be shown in Uillinn in June.



Green Schools News

We were thrilled to learn late last week that we have been awarded our 5^{th} Green Flag for Biodiversity! This will be flying proudly outside our school after the online awards ceremony onn May 25^{th} .



Green Flag

Awards 2022

Congratulations!



Dear Green-Schools co-ordinator,

I am delighted to inform you that your application for the Green Flag has been successful. Your assessor and the team at Green-Schools were very impressed with your application, congratulations!

"Learn at School Grow at Home"

We have successfully run a food growing project over the past number of years called "Learn at School, Grow at Home". The aim of this project is to show Senior Infant pupils and their families how easy and fun it is to grow food at home. At school, each child was shown how to set up a mini-garden and how to sow and grow potatoes, onions, carrots and radishes. Well done to the Senior Infants & their families. Please continue to send us the photos!



















Young Environmentalist Awards 2022

We are thrilled to learn that BOTH our projects are through to the online finals of ECO-UNESCO's Young Environmentalist Awards 2022! The judges were extremely impressed by "Our Local Water Quality" project by 5th class & "Wildlife Pond" project by 6th class when they presented to the panel of ECO-Experts last month. The online ECO-UNESCO YEA Awards will take place on May 19th. A superb achievement for the classes and the school. Congratulations to their teachers Mairéad Crowley, Claire O'Connell, Anne McCarthy, Nicola Gleeson & Helen Crowley for their work & commitment to the project and the presentations. Thanks also to Valerie Burns for her guidance on both projects.





Primary Fair Science @ BTYSTE Feedback

As we know, these science projects encourage students to utilise skills they've learned in many areas. These skills span many disciplines, including but not limited to reading, critical thinking, writing, maths and computer science. The students also learn how to budget and organize time and resources as they work to complete their project by a deadline. The students were required to share their final project with judges so they also had a chance to practice public speaking. The following is the incredible feedback from the Primary Science Fair & The BT Young Scientist & Technology Exhibition to 5th class.

Presentation of the Project;

Outstanding presentation – all of the students were in lab coats and it was clear that a lot of effort and hard work went into the poster and presentation. The students used the poster really effectively to show their presentations and results through graphs and other visual aids. All of the speakers were excellent and their confidence in their project was obvious.

Curiosity & Imagination;

All of the students had a genuine interest in the water quality in their local area. They had a thorough understanding of how it affected them in their everyday lives – a good use of imagination at the end of their presentation which I really enjoyed was how they demonstrated the ways water quality effected them...very good use of props!

Problem-solving & Constructive Thinking;

The students had a really good structure in place to make a very complicated project simple to understand. Even though they were dealing with tricky scientific concepts, they broke down the project very well into different elements.

Ouality of findings;

The students did 5 tests on each of the 10 water samples they collected. I was very impressed with the large sample size and how they look into account different variables like high tide, low tide and the weather conditions. They really went above and beyond to ensure they ran fair experiments, and they did an excellent job in doing this. I was delighted to see how they accepted when their results did not match what they had predicted – this showed a real williness to learn from science and their experiments and led me to believe that their findings were of a very high quality.

Communication & Understanding of scientific and technological conecepts;

Even though only a limited number of students could present the project, when I asked questions, the whole class was able to participate showing a real understanding of the project. The class showed off all they had learnt from undertaking the project and I found I was actually learning a lot!

How well does this project represent its category

This project was perfectly aligned with its category, environmental awareness and care. The students made themselves very aware of their local environment and showed that they were investigating the water quality because they want to help maintain a safe environment. Overall, it represented the category very well and the quality of their research exceeded all expectations and was very professional.

Any other feedback

Well done to Ellen, Megan, Amy, Paul, Roisin and Juliet on excellent presentation skills and huge congratulations to the rest of the class as well for completing such amazing project. I hope the students enjoyed doing this project and hopefully we will see some of them competing in the Secondary School exhibition in a couple of years time. I reckon we definitely have a few future scientists from this class anyway!

School Website - www.timoleaguens.com

Please continue to check the school website for school information. You will find the School Calendar 2021/2022 and School Calendar 2022/2023 as well as the weekly calendars for termly activities. It is regularly updated with the latest news and photographs also.





Lunch Bag Service

The Lunch Bag initiative is in operation where you will have the facility to order school lunches for your child using an app. It is not a subscription service; you are not committed to ordering every day. You can order once a week, every day, not at all, whatever works for you. Orders must be in by 12pm the day before.



SuperValu "Save the Bees" Promotion

Thank You! Our board is now complete and our entry is with Super Valu. Fingers crossed!



School Tracksuit

As, hopefully, the weather will continue to improve, please ensure that your child's tracksuit top has their name on it.

A gentle reminder please that the children are asked to be in full school tracksuit - tracksuit top, white t-shirt (no jerseys please) and navy tracksuit pants. The pupils are permitted to wear **navy school appropriate shorts** should the weather allow. No denim shorts please.

