

## A message from Ms. McArdle

Dear Parents/Guardians,  
Happy 2022 to you all. I hope the year ahead is kind to you all.

As you will see from our newsletter January was another busy but fun month at school -and the classrooms are a hive of activity and learning.

We are looking towards the spring months and doing some planting in our garden areas.

Watch this space!

Anne McArdle

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Newsletter  
January 2022

## Junior Infants

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I would like to wish you and your families a very happy and peaceful 2022.

We have had a very busy January in junior infants. The children settled straight back into school with a wonderful, enthusiastic attitude and ready for lots of new learning and fun.

We are looking forward to more adventures as we move into Spring.

Maria Kildea



## Aistear

This month we have explored the theme of transport. We have had so much fun. We were busy at the train station buying tickets and taking turns working at the ticket office. We created many different vehicles and enjoyed playing with different forms of transport in our classroom.



## Kindness

We are a very kind bunch in junior infants and this month we focused on the difference one kind word can make to another person.

## Science

We had a great time creating a chemical reaction with corn flour, washing up liquid and water to make unpopable!



## Maths

We have learned all about the number 5. It was so exciting as lots of us are 5 years old.



# Senior Infants

Where has January gone? Time flies when you're having fun in Senior Infants. This month we focused on two different themes - the cinema and space. We have had so much fun exploring these topics in our Aistear stations. In addition, we have been learning all about 3-D Shapes and number 8 in Maths. I hope you enjoy this month's Newsletter.

Ms. Smyth.

Artist Corner  
We learned all about the work of the artist Kandinsky and we recreated the beautiful Kandinsky circles



We have been using number frames in maths

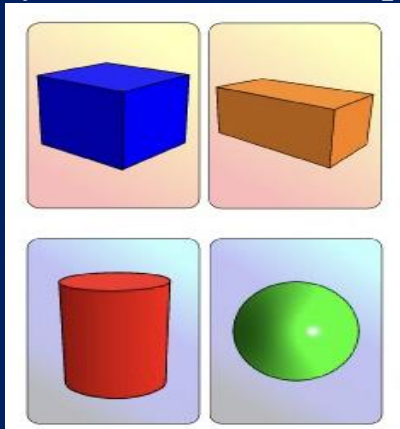


# Frása na Míosa



Tá sé ag cur báistí.

Can you name these 3D shapes?



The Cinema has been such an exciting theme to learn about! We may have some future movie stars in our class.



# The Number 8

Make an S,  
But do not wait,  
Go back up  
And Close the  
Gate.

## First Class

We were all so happy to see our friends again at the start of the New Year. We have been busy this month learning lots of new and exciting things!

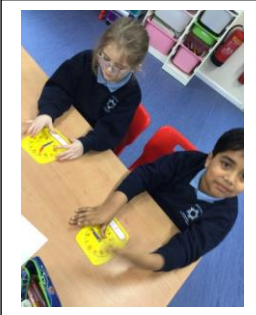
We learned lots of cool facts about the human skeleton!

Did you know a baby has more bones than a grown adult!



Leonardo Da Vinci inspired us to draw our very own version of the Mona Lisa- We can't wait to show you the finished result!

This month in maths, we have been practicing our time telling skills!



*Thirty days has September,  
April, June and November,  
All the rest have thirty-one,  
But February has twenty-eight alone,  
Except in Leap Year, that's the time  
When February's days are twenty-nine.*



We explored some percussion instruments during music. We worked in groups to create rhythms using words and sentences. It was great fun!