

The Shountrade Scéal

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to another edition of 'The Shountrade Scéal'. This year we are extremely fortunate that the credit union have proceeded with their yearly art competition and we wish the best of luck to all the contestants. All the classes have thoroughly enjoyed completing in RWJ daily and have loved getting outside most days. As many of you know this Friday we will be dressing up in the spirit of Halloween and holding a zoom assembly. We look forward to seeing all the weird and wonderful costumes this Friday!

Adare GAA

Here at Shountrade N.S we are all very proud of Mr. Costelloe and the Adare football team who defeated Ballylanders in the Limerick Senior County Final on October 4th. We would like to congratulate the entire squad, in particular our huge number of past pupils on bringing the Fr. Casey cup back to Adare. We also want to wish best of luck to the Adare ladies football team in the Junior county final. The game was due to be played earlier this month, but we have our fingers crossed that the match isn't completely halted due to Covid!



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Junior Infants

Junior Infants have been very busy learning about the farm and the autumn season. The farm shop has been very busy producing and selling dairy products and other food items. They have been designing and building tractors, farm building and animal enclosures. The children have been learning about the work of a farmer and how food is made. In Maths, the children have been learning about patterns and have been making them in class. In Gaeilge, the children have been learning lots about Halloween. Juniors have also been painting Autumn trees in art and have been drawing hedgehogs, squirrels and other Autumn animals.



Senior Infants

Senior Infants have been having lots of fun with their Aistear theme which is The Witches' Den. The children have been busy constructing haunted houses and making witches potions! Seniors have really enjoyed having Mr. Morrissey too, they have done some amazing music lessons with him and even wrote their own lyrics! Seniors have been learning about the seasons and autumn, they even created beautiful works of art using some autumn leaves.





First & Second Class

This month 1st and 2nd class have been busy making displays for their classroom walls. They have created a birthday display, an Aimsir display and for religion a 'Circle of friends' display for their 'Sea of Galilee' collages. They have also continued writing recounts of their previous experiences, including recounting their art lessons and their hurling sessions with coach David. They've really enjoyed learning about the life of Hans Christian Anderson, the origins of Halloween and learning how to take care of the environment.



Third & Fourth Class

In October third and fourth class went on a 'Tree Walk' and discovered the names of the beautiful trees around the school. They also created a gorgeous tree for their STEAM and published their recounts. 3rd and 4th have also worked hard on 3d shapes during maths lessons. After all their hard work for the past two months everyone in Ms. Walsh's class is looking forward to a relaxing midterm break.

Fifth Class

October has been a busy month for 5th class. They have been working hard on identifying properties of 2d shapes and have also conquered long division! They have really enjoyed English this past month as they have been reciting poems in many different ways. 5th continue to make great progress in Irish and have been discussing pictures and many other things as Gaeilge. Everyone in 5th class is excited about the Credit Union art competition and are looking forward to more GAA sessions. Busy times ahead in 5th class!

Sixth Class

Over the past month, 6th class have been doing lots of fun activities in school. We have been learning the song 'Heroes or Ghosts' by The Coronas both in English and as Gaeilge. We have been creating pieces of drama 'Sa Bhiann' and have designed paper airplanes during procedural writing in English. Last week we learned about the Netherlands which we found very interesting. 6th class have started watching virtual open nights, as this year we cannot attend the schools in person. So far, 6th class have been enjoying our last year in Shountrade!

School GAA

After enjoyable and successful coaching sessions with David O'Dea we are excited to announce that our principal Mr. Kilcoyne will be coaching football and hurling sessions for all classes starting after mid-term. Gumshields, hurleys and helmets are mandatory for safety reasons. Please do not bring unnecessary items such as gloves or boots and wear your uniform and tracksuit on the correct days, All sessions will be fun, non-contact and weather dependent.

GAA Sessions Starting 4th Nov.

- First/ Second- Wednesday-** (9.00- 9.40)
- Third/ Fourth Class- Wednesday-** (1.50 – 2.30)
- Senior Infants- Thursday-** (9.00- 9.40)
- Sixth Class- Thursday-** (1.50- 2.30)
- Junior Infants- Friday-** (9.00- 9.40)
- Fifth Class- Friday-** (1.50- 2.30)

