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Author Gerard Siggins talks to pupils at Holy Trinity Primary School

Author and writer Gerard Siggins visited Holy Trinity primary school on Monday 27th February. He talked to the children about how he started writing children's fictional books. He spoke about how he thought of his characters and where his ideas came from. He then answered lots of the children's questions and took time to sign autographs.

Paddy O'Hare, one of our P5 pupils, loves Gerard's series of fictional rugby books. He got in touch with the author a few years back to tell him how he enjoyed the books and asked him if he would be releasing a new book soon. A few months later Paddy received a Gerard Siggins book, Rugby Flyer, in the post. When he read it he realised that he was a character in the book. Paddy was captain of the Ulster team and made friends with Eoin Madden, the main character in the series!



Parental Involvement in Numeracy (PIN)

P3 parents and children attended a PIN evening at Holy Trinity on Monday, 6th March. The evening focused on developing a more positive attitude towards Maths. Children take home a numeracy game each week, for 6 weeks. They play the game with their family to help make maths learning fun and to reinforce what they are learning in school. We look forward to hearing how the families are enjoying these numeracy games.



Recycle your old spectacles before 31st May

McBride & McCreesh Opticians in Enniskillen are collecting old spectacles to raise money in support of the charity 'Vision Aid Overseas', www.visionaidoverseas.org. If you have any old, unused or even broken pairs of glasses in your home which you could donate to this great cause please send them to school with your child for collection. Thank you.



Vision Aid Overseas

P7 pupils attend NI Road Safety Quiz

A team of four P7 pupils recently attended the NI Road Safety Quiz at the Killyhevlin Hotel. They are (L-R), Rachel Megahey, Cillian McManus, Aoife Keane and Gavin Lunny. They were up against teams from 16 schools from all over Ulster and were placed fifth when the scores were announced. A great achievement!



Holy Trinity Indoor Soccer Team



On Friday 3rd February Holy Trinity Primary School indoor soccer team took part in the Fermanagh 5-a-side football tournament at the Lakeland Forum. We went straight to the hall when we arrived and had a snack. After that Mr McElroy picked the starting team for our first game (Aabin, Taylor, Shay, Patrick and James, our subs were Luke, Ryan, James Murphy and Oran). We got off to a good start in the first game which we won. The three points boosted our confidence and we then beat Maguiresbridge PS, the Integrated Primary, Ballinamallard PS, Kesh PS and Lisbellaw PS. We then played the Model and drew 2-2 in a very tight match and won our final game against Jones Memorial 4-2. Holy Trinity ended up lifting the trophy as we won the league by four points. Patrick Regan got player of the tournament and Aabin Jaison was the team captain. We all felt very proud of ourselves and now we have qualified for the Northern Ireland 5-a-side finals for primary schools.

Young Enterprise visit P5

Young Enterprise ran a workshop with P5 children on the 8th February. Sandra from Young Enterprise and Damien from Liberty Insurance spoke to the children and discussed what a city is. The children worked in teams to identify the common areas in a city and the types of services available for hospitals, universities, restaurants. They worked on a business plan and decided on the name, type and interesting features of their restaurant/business.



Holy Trinity raise £1700 for our libraries..



The sale of books at the school book fair raised a huge £1700. This money will be divided between our 2 school libraries, Mill Street and Cornagrade. Marion, our school librarian and Mrs Cathcart, Literacy Coordinator are going to buy lots of new books for our children to read. Thank you to our parents and pupils who bought books during the sale and helped raise this money.



THE MOVIE CATCHERS!!!!

In February the P7s classes went to the Enniskillen castle for a movie animation tutorial celebrating 100 years of Roald Dahl.

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When we arrived at the castle we met our instructors, from the Nerve Centre in Derry, who were going to teach us how to make our own animation movies. We were shown how to use an app called 'iMotion'; we used the app to take a lot of photos of our BFG characters. In our groups we had to decide who would take the pictures, move the characters and tell the person moving the characters if it looked ok. We had to edit our movies adding

backgrounds and sounds. We took about 211 pictures which made approximately 22 seconds of film! At the end we got to watch each group's movie. They were all brilliant! It was a very enjoyable morning.

By Caitlin Cox & Sean Colgan (from Mr Starrs class)



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On each table was a stand with an iPad on top of it and lots of cartoon characters from the BFG story; Sophie, two giants and, of course, The BFG, dreams and arms for the giants, in case you wanted to move them. Each group took over 100 pictures; we moved the characters very slightly for each photo. That made around 10 seconds of a movie. Then we used an app called 'Green Screen' to put in a background that fitted the BFG. Next we used iMovie to add music and



voice recordings to make it sound as well as it looks. We added credits to show who created each video. At the end we watched all the videos; it was very funny because each one had a different story line. After that we talked about each video and agreed that they were all very funny. When we got back we discussed what our favourite part was, but we all agreed that our favourite part was ALL OF IT!!!

By Aabin and Daire (from Miss Quigley's class)





P7 Classes came to Mill Street to read stories to the P1 classes for World Book Day. The P1 children really enjoyed the stories; it was lovely that they were able to meet our P7 pupils.



Holy Trinity Bake Sale



On Tuesday 28th February Holy Trinity held a fantastic bake sale to raise money to help young children with Cancer. We chose Clic Sargent because a young boy in our school was helped very much by them. We raised £750 which we will be giving to Clic Sargent, Young Enterprise and to the Student Council who planned this whole event!



We thank everyone who helped us with the bake sale; those who brought delicious cakes, cookies, brownies, cupcakes and much more, Mr Reihill and Mr Treacy for allowing the event to take place and all the staff who helped us set up and put the buns on plates. Thank you also to the student council for planning the raffle and sorting out the money.



We would like to congratulate Mrs Galligan's class for winning the raffle, they have no homework for a week, and Miss Quigley's class who came 2nd and got some cakes and treats.

The student council will be planning many more events like these. Please go and check out Clic Sargent. The website is www.clicsargent.com.

By Grace and Jake.



P5 classes show off their wonderful Titanic models, thank you to the parents for helping the children.



My mum really helped me make my Titanic model



We had great fun planning and making these at home.



Holy Trinity Running Club

Over the past number of months the children from the Holy Trinity running club have been training extremely hard for the Flahavan's Porridge Cross Country League. The commitment and determination of the children certainly paid off when both the girls and boys teams were successful in securing a place in the Flahavan's Porridge Cross Country Ulster Final in Mallusk on Wednesday 22nd February.

This is the first time that Holy Trinity Primary School has been represented at this level and understandably there was a mixture of nervousness and excitement on the journey to Mallusk. When we arrived at Mallusk playing fields there was a sea of colour representing the many schools taking part. After a warm up, the children were eager to get racing along the challenging 1400m route so that they could receive the highly anticipated goodie bag!



Miss Coyle, Patrick Gilmurray and Denise Kavanagh are very proud of the effort the children demonstrated at this event – one child misplaced his shoe along the course but his positive thinking of 'I just need to keep running' ensured he finished the course in strong form. This is what running is all about – doing your best and enjoying it!

Congratulations to the girls and boys who competed in the final.

Primary 3 Overview of planned work for March

Numeracy: Depending on group children will continue to work on place value of 2 and 3 digit numbers. They will be able to partition numbers into H.T.U. and T.U. and add and subtract T.U. with and without bridging the ten. Children will begin to work with sets/groups of numbers to introduce the concept of multiplication –they will be able to round numbers off to the nearest 10/100. Focus will also be on solving simple word problems set in real life situations. Children will continue to use 100 grids to find patterns to add and subtract. All groups are working on their addition and subtraction tables to develop quick recall of number bonds and we would encourage parents to make sure that they spend time every night on them.

Topic Work: Topic for this month is fractions. Parents are asked to make this relevant in everyday situations eg. when cutting up fruit.

Literacy: Grammar focus will continue to be on adjectives and this month children will become familiar with the rules for adding ING to verbs. We will use some traditional fairy tales to explore the narrative writing genre.

The World Around Us: This month's theme will primarily be Electricity. We will also look at a range of great science explorers. Other topics related to this month will be Mother's Day, and Saint Patricks Day.

Other Information:

Each class will visit Enniskillen Castle/Museum on one of the following dates - March 7th, 8th, 10th. Your child will receive information on when their class is going.

At the end of March (30th) all P3 classes will be travelling to the Millennium Theatre in Derry to see a live performance of Room on the Broom. Further detail will be sent home closer to the time. Please try to have all trip money paid by 16th March.

Primary 4 Overview of planned work for March

Literacy: Pupils will continue to learn their spellings using the LSCWC method and will complete various activities to reinforce the spelling rules. Pupils will be reading their class novel, 'The Egyptian Cinderella'. In grammar pupils will look at direct speech linked to their novel. They will be writing a non-chronological report on King Tutankhamun.

Numeracy: Pupils will be learning about subtraction and will be solving word problems. They will continue to learn multiplication facts. Our topic work this month will cover time where children will be learning days of the week, months of the year and seasons. We will be investigating calendars and telling the time using analogue and digital clocks. Pupils will also use ISAK9 and complete problem solving investigations.

World Around Us: This month we will be concluding our topic of Ancient Egypt. Pupils will learn about the pyramids and the gods that were worshipped in Ancient Egypt. They will investigate and research inventions and achievements of the Egyptians. We will be trying to recreate one of their inventions- the shaduf by using a variety of materials. Through doing this we will look at levers and pulleys.

Important dates:

First Confession at St Michael's Church:

- Monday 13th March- 7.30pm- Mrs Smith's class
- Monday 27th March- 7.30pm- Mrs Greene's class and Mrs McGirr's class

Holy Communion at St Michael's Church:

- Saturday 13th May at 12 noon - Mrs Greene's class and Mrs Mc Girr's class
- Saturday 27th May at 12 noon - Mrs Smith's class

Please note PE is on Wednesdays and Fridays so children need to bring their PE kits on these days.

Primary 5 Overview of planned work for March

Numeracy: Pupils will reinforce their understanding of all fractions (focus on mixed numbers and equivalent fractions). They will be able to order decimals and recognise simple percentages ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$) and link these together.

Topic: Pupils will be able to link previous work on length and learn about area and perimeter. Mental Maths – Division of tables. Weekly tables test and mental maths test preparation.

Literacy: Novel: Pupils will continue to read Kaspar 'Prince of Cats' and complete related activities. World Book Day – Book Fair. Activities and visit from Gerard Siggins (author) during first week of March. Grammar work: Children will be able to recognise the structure of their work through paragraphs. Children will be able to recognise the importance of speech marks. Link to Novel work (skim and scan for above). Writing: Procedural writing – Children will be able to write a set of instructions for specific tasks. They will recognise appropriate language associated with this. We will complete spellings linked to spelling groups. Focus on oo, yoo words and adding y endings. Belfast Telegraph work in school - children will focus on specific activities which are especially gauged at primary school level relating to our WAU topic, Water.

World Around Us: Topic work – Complete all work on Titanic topic sinking (survivors and wreckage, states of water and experiments linked to water). Start work on 'Water' topic – pupils will recognise language associated with water. Children will be able to recognise uses of water, saving water in school and home. Children will learn about the Water Cycle and its importance.

Important Dates:

- Trip to Titanic Quarter for all P5 classes. Cost £10 per child. More details later.
 - Mr McElroy's and Mrs Kelly's classes will go on 23rd March.
 - Mrs Farley's and Mrs Gormley's classes will go on 3rd April.

Other Information – Work, Trips, Visits etc.

- 10 minutes Mathletics tasks every night.
- 10 minutes Accelerated Reading every night.
- Homework signed and homework completed every night.
- Could children complete AR quizzes and receive Mathletics award before Friday.

Primary 6 Overview of planned work for March

Numeracy: The pupils will be able to use division/multiplication in simple problem solving. The pupils will understand that division is linked with fractions. The pupils will understand and use fractions in context. The pupils will revise previous fractions and be introduced to new ones. They will understand the terms proper and improper fractions. Use fractions to describe quantities. eg: 5/8 of a class are girls what fraction are boys? Perform simple calculations involving unitary fractions. eg: $1/5$ of 20 = 5. Understand equivalence of fractions.

Topic: Data Handling

Literacy: Pupils will understand antonyms (opposites) and be able to understand the purpose of prefixes in the context of opposites. eg: honest – dishonest. They will know what plurals are and rules for making words plural. Report writing cont. Procedural writing - pupils will continue with our Irish News Critical Literacy project and be able to write their own news report. Pupils will be able to follow instructions given in a variety of texts and be able to write their own instructions for an activity. (making a 3D Long Ship). Children will experience Guided, Shared, Modelled and Independent reading. Within Talking and Listening, pupils will take part in a number of class, group and "Talk partner" conversations, throughout all areas of the curriculum and be able to listen and follow instructions for activities linked to all areas.

World Around Us: The pupils will continue with "The Vikings" topic and find out about building a Viking ship, Viking raids, Viking homes, evidence of Viking settlements today.

PLEASE TRY to keep Mathletics and AR Reading going at home/school/afterschool clubs.

PLEASE ASK YOUR CHILD ABOUT THEIR WORD TARGET FOR TERM 2.

Primary 7 Overview of planned work for March

Literacy: Myths and Legends – read wide range of myths, legends, fables and traditional stories. Plan and write a new version of a myth, legend. Novel work – 'Twelfth Day of July' and related activities. Grammar work – adjectives work and proof reading exercises. Spelling work – spelling lists and related activities.

Numeracy: Number work – Fractions and Decimals & Topic work – Time. Children should be achieving their bronze award in Mathletics on a weekly basis.

World Around Us: Northern Ireland topic.

Religion: Confirmation Preparation - Children will need to bring in a photo of their baptism, a photo of their Holy Communion Day and a photo of their sponsor as soon as possible. Please place in an envelope and put your child's name on the front.

Dates for your diary:

- Love For Life
- Town Library visits:
 - Miss Quigley – 16th March
 - Mr Morris – 22nd March
 - Mrs Clarke – 23rd March
 - Mr Starrs – 24th March
- Bee Safe in Castle Park, Lisnaskea 12.30pm-2.30pm:
 - Mrs Clarke & Mr Starrs – 22nd March
 - Miss Quigley & Mr Morris – 23rd March