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“An Oak tree is a daily reminder
that great things often have
small beginnings.” — Matshona
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Teacher's Message

2019 was my first year in Scoil na Naomh Uilig. Having been a teacher for 11 years it was the first time I had ever changed schools and I was nervous about what to expect. My old school had only 9 staff members and 85 children so moving meant something completely new and different. I was really lucky however to get a chance to teach The Oaks. It too was a new class, a mix of the three third classes from the year before. This meant as you got to know each other I got to learn about you all too. You did such a good job making each other feel welcome and of course you did this for me too!

I have so many great memories of the year. I will remember times that people made me laugh, times I was proud of great work and more times when you were kind and caring and looked out for each other. But I asked you all to remember one moment in particular so if I have to pick, I would choose the Science Fair in the RDS. We spent so much time as a class carrying out surveys, listening and learning and working together as a group. Everyone was there for each other and helped when someone forgot a line or just needed a hand. This was reflected with the great report the judges wrote about the class and the project. We also had lots of fun on the day looking around at all the projects and shows. It was one of many times in the year that I felt really proud to be your teacher. We will all probably remember the school year 2019/2020 because of the long holidays and the early finish. But I will have a special memory of teaching the Oaks. I couldn't have got a better first class in SNU!

Mr. Lalor

Ruby Ennis

I love being in Mr Lalor's Oaks class because we always have something fun to do. Mr Lalor has been a great teacher this year and I have learned lots. I have met lots of new friends since last year and we have fun together in the Oaks. I loved doing PE and playing Ship Sea Shore, rounders and basketball matches in PE. The Witch Walk was fun my Mam made me a green Minecraft box costume and it was a little tricky to go up and down the stairs in it. We did the Witch Walk inside because the weather was really bad. I liked art and making my poster for the student council. I thought Josh's poster was cool and funny too. I loved our Irish PE day. Nilan won the big prize and most of the class got wrists bands and it was fun. The Magic of the Musicals was brilliant. It was exciting getting ready for it. My Mam won a big hamper in the raffle too.

My favourite memory from 4th Class was going to the Science Blast. It was exciting getting up so early to go on the bus. The whole class was there. It was a blast. We saw other people's projects and you could win prizes like rulers, pencils and rubbers. I won a ruler. I tested a project there where you have to eat 2 skittles and see did the second skittle taste different after holding your nose. I sneaked a few extra skittles!! There was a funny magic show there too.

So there was a lot of fun in the school year. See you in September everyone!

James Lynch

I was kinda excited to start school again. A new class, a new teacher and more work. When I got to school I was looking for some of my friends. And then I looked and saw they were nearly finished building the astro turf. I was very excited.

My favourite bits of the year were by far guitar lessons and the astro turf. I loved playing football and rolling down the hill.

Seun Oluokun

My favourite activities during the school year were Tin Whistle and guitar. Don was a great teacher and I really enjoyed preparing for the show even though we didn't get to do it in the end.

My favourite subject was Art.

Louise Meehan

In the Oaks I always loved laughing and having fun with all my friends in the class. My best memory of the year was when Meabh and I were playing murder mystery. It was too much fun!

Jakub Maj

What I liked about my new class The Oaks was that we got on well together and most of the people were nice and kind always.

My favourite part of the year was when we went to the Science Blast exhibition in the RDS. I liked it because there were lots of fun things to try on the day and I also got to meet from friend from Dublin who goes to a different school. I enjoyed the testing and when we practiced and presented our project it was great fun!

Amelia Gancarz

This year my favourite subjects were Art, Music and PE. My favourite thing about my new class is that they are all really funny and nice. One of my favourite memories is when we went to the Science Blast. I liked it because it was so much fun and it was probably the best day ever.

Matylda Stawska

My favourite memory of the year was our movie days. We often got to watch movies when it was wet at lunch times.

We would watch shows or movies from Netflix. But the best movie day was after the Witch Walk on Halloween. We got sweets and treats and watched a movie for the last part of the day. It was great fun.

Méabh O'Mahony

One of my favourite memories of the year was the Science Blast project. We spent about 4 months working on a project. Our project was called 'Does listening to music affect our productivity levels?'

The exhibition day was in Dublin in the RDS. There were loads of exhibitions and projects. We had four groups. One group had to stay and mind the stand in case the judges came while the others could walk around or go to watch a show. There were two shows. They were all about science. We got a trophy for our project.

Sandhiya Kasiviswanathan

My favourite memories of the year were:

1. At Halloween when we wore our costumes and had the Witch Walk.
2. At Christmas when we got to wear our Christmas Jumpers.
3. When we dressed up all in green for our Lá Glas during Seachtain na Gaeilge.
4. I enjoyed the swinging basket when we went to the playground.
5. I enjoyed Irish games on the interactive whiteboard.
6. At Science Blast I loved making my own fan.

Rían Dunne

My number one favourite day was the first day of the year. I loved seeing my friends again and making new friends in the new class.

My second favourite day was the trip to the Science Blast. I loved making the project in the weeks before and explaining it on the day.

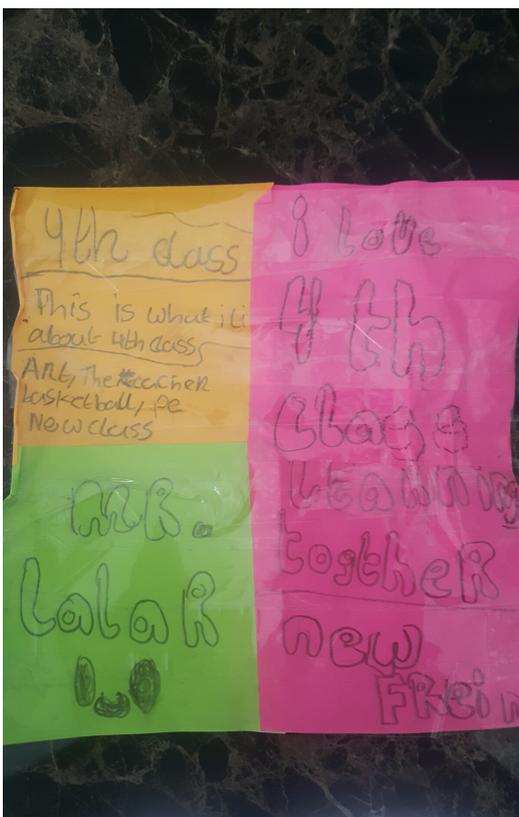
Josh McKenna

My favourite memory of the year was Halloween. When we did the Witch Walk. Even though we had to stay indoors with the rain, it was great because we got to eat sweets and watch a film. I got a chance to see everyone's costumes and we got to take a group class photo too!

Stacey Simonic

These were the things I liked best about 4th class: Art, Teacher, Basketball, PE, Getting to be in a new class.

I loved 4th class learning together and getting to make new friends.



Cara Whiteley

The Science Fair was my favourite event of the school year.

I will tell you about it. My Mom dropped me off at the school. All of fourth class went to the Science Fair on two buses. It seemed like it was a long journey. We were singing songs and chatting so it was great fun. When we got there we were all amazed. I was speechless. The RDS is huge. I had never seen a bigger place. There were lots of other students and teachers from other schools too. It was very exciting. We found our stall and set up our display.

Our project was all about how music affects our productivity and was listening to music good or bad while doing your work. I was nervous when the judges came to talk to our team but they were very nice. When it was the other teams turn to talk to the judges, my team got to explore. We got lots of free stuff but my favourite was the yummy jelly beans. After lunch teacher brought us to a show about bugs. I learned some cool facts while we were there. We tidied up and took a picture of the whole class and our trophy. Yes we won a prize! Shortly after we tidied our stall, packed up and got ready to leave. On the bus ride home we sang more songs and played games. It was the perfect end to the perfect day.

Ryerson Broas

I remember my first day of fourth class. I met lots of new classmates and made some new friends. During the year I loved playing basketball and learned different types of Art.

I learned lots of things from my teacher Mr. Lalor.

My favourite day during the year was when I won the vote and was picked as our class representative for the Student Council. Thank you to my classmates for voting for me. This was my best school year ever. Thank you teachers, SNA's and classmates for supporting me throughout the year.

STAY SAFE.

Nilan Jagan

My school year had some ups and some downs.. But overall it was fun thanks to my teacher and my friends. I would love to continue at this school next year and look forward to doing so.

My Memory

Our Irish dancers
Sandhiya, Ruby and
Amelia who
performed during
Seachtain na Gaeilge



The class looking
spooky ready for the
Witch Walk.

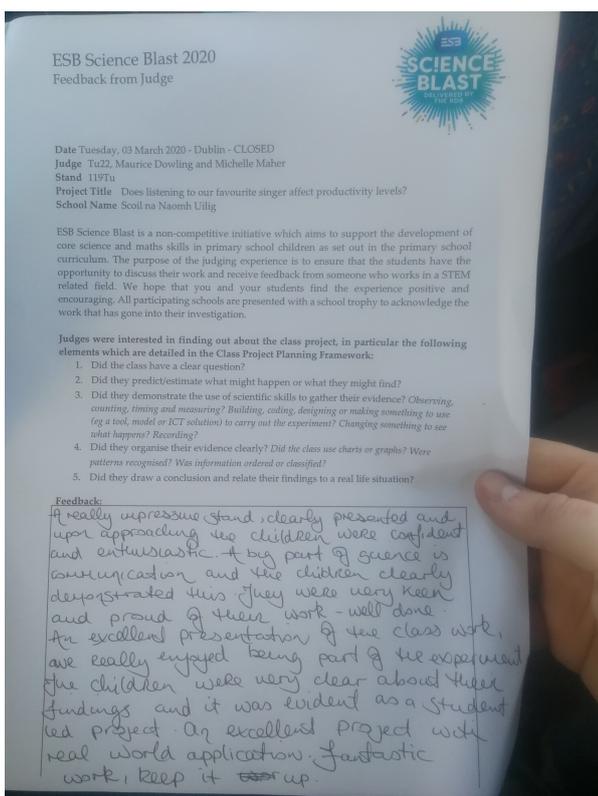
When Josh was
brought on stage as
part of the Circus
Science show at the
Science Blast
exhibition in the
RDS.





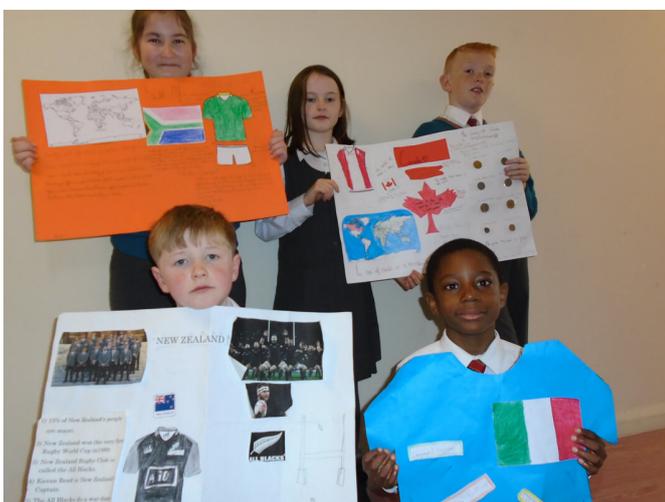
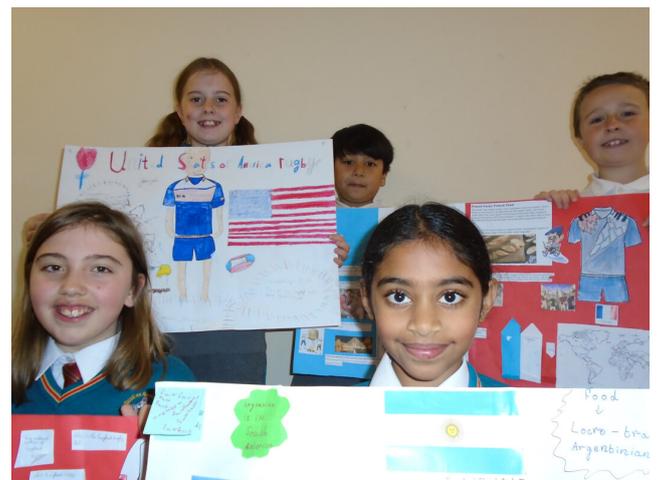
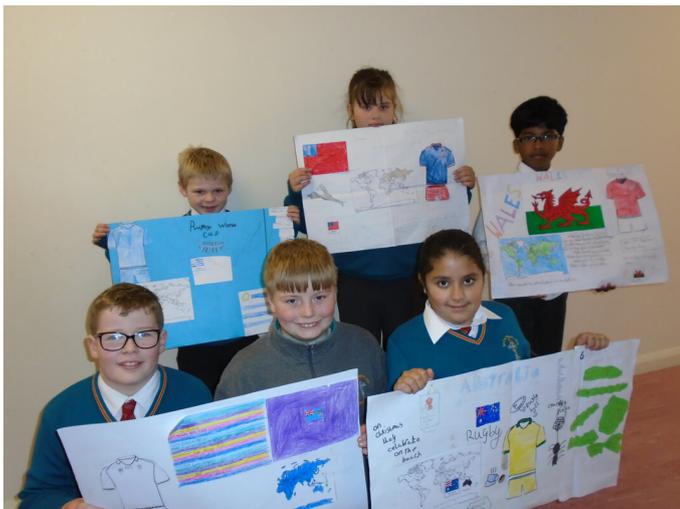
Conor and Josh trying to win a prize. They had to answer a question about sustainability first.

The judges with the group who were at the project when it was time to present the trophy. Avani, Nicola, Grace, Méabh. Seun, Nllan, James, Brooke.



The report showing what the judges had to say.

Below are the projects we made at the time of the Rugby World Cup. Our 3 winners were Stacey, Sandhiya and Aaron.





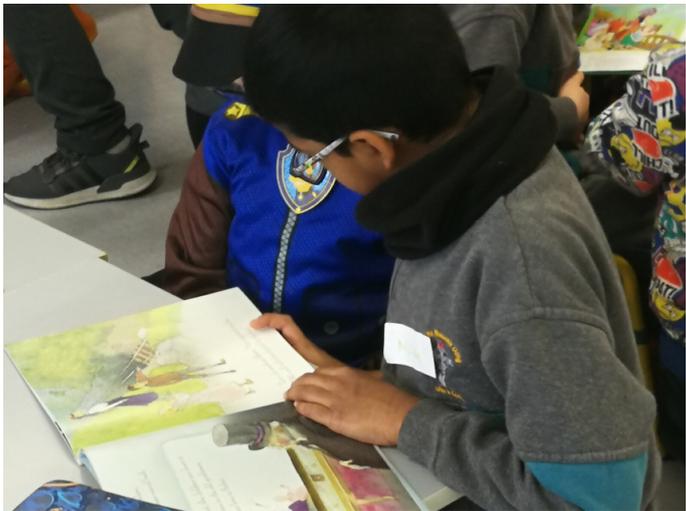
The entire group celebrating before we left for home.

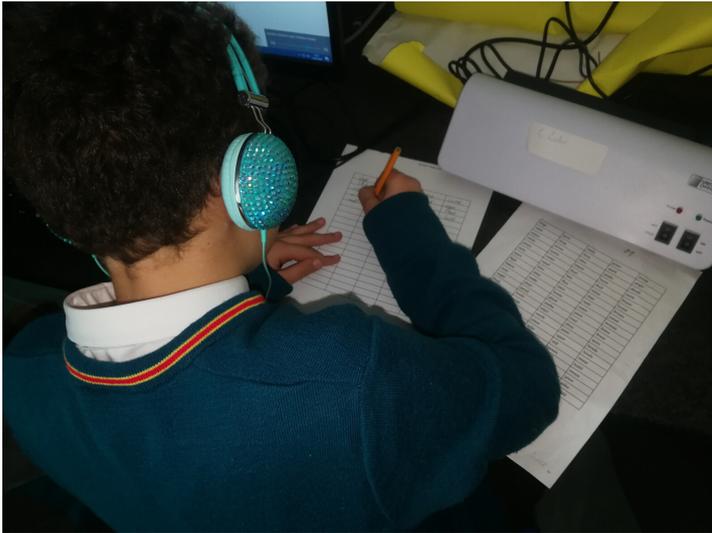
Our class towards the back enjoying dance lessons in PE with Ms. Sheehan's class..



Excitement levels were high when Santa visited the school and Ms. Duggan joined him on his sleigh.

World Book Day. The author Jackie Byrne spoke to us about her books and being an author. She brought prizes too. We also worked with Ms Burke's class as Reading Buddies.





Jakub showing us what the Science Blast test looked like.

Grace, Méabh, Louise, Chloe, Seun, Ruby, Rian and Pat who all shone as part of the case for the Magic of the Musicals.



Chloe and Louise were part of the Girls Football Squad who brought the cup back to SNU early in the year.

Signatures



The Oaks 2019/2020

Back Row L to R: Cara, Stacey, Nilan, Avani, Zach,
James, Grace, Chloe.

Middle Row: Méabh, Conor, Matylda, Nicola,
Amelia, Josh, Jakub, Aaron.

Front Row: Louise, Sandhiya, Seun, Ryerson, Pat,
Rian, Brooke, Ruby
Missing from photo Jose.