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Eyrecourt Agricultural Show

This year's show is taking place again. Hopefully it will be a better day than last year. Eyrecourt Agriculture Show chairman is Eoin Larkin secretary is Darragh Killeen and the treasurer is Gibson Stoddart.

The shows location will be in the same place as last year which is behind the school and in the hall. There is going to be more classes then last year such as:

- Ø Sheep
- Ø Cattle
- Ø Poultry
- Ø Flower Arranging
- Ø Decorating a teaspoon
- Ø Essays
- Ø Pets Corner
- Ø Dogs
- Ø Baking

From what I hear the Pets Corner is going to be good but it would be even better if you entered a pet in it and is something in which everybody who has a pet can enter in. It can be anything from dogs to micro pigs. There is also knitting for young and old along with lots of other arts and crafts.



So everyone get baking, washing, sowing and growing for the Eyrecourt show on the 18th of September 2016

Hopefully I will see all of you there.
by Caoimhe Kearns



Congratulations to Eyrecourt NS hurling team that defeated Brackloon NS to win the 9-side Roinn L Cumann na mBunscol title.

Read about trainer Kevin Connolly on p.3

School News

Editorial

Hey Guys,

This month we are back with the Eyrecourt Examiner. Sadly for us 6th class it is our last ever Eyrecourt Examiner that we will be publishing!. Don't get too upset as we still have one last brilliant issue to show you! We hope you read and enjoy all the articles in this issue.

All the best,

The Eyrecourt Examiner Editors

Theme Parks

On the 27th of May 5th and 6th class started to make theme parks. There were 3 groups one group was 5th class the other 2 groups were made up out of 6th class. We came up with the idea when we went to Tayto Park and then we decided to make the theme parks. The 5th class theme was The Simpsons. One 6th class groups theme was Spooky Island, the other groups theme was Aqua Falls. It took a while to make them. We mostly made them of cardboard ,lego and kennex. We painted nearly everything. There was roller coasters and zip lines on everyone's theme park. We had to make a brochure for our theme park. When our theme parks were finished we showed them to the other classes. They really liked them. *by Aoife O'Dowd*



Aqua Falls Theme Park

Green Schools Awards

On Thursday the 19th of May, Caoimhe, Alanna and I travelled up to Galway to collect our Green Flag for travel. We wanted to travel green, so we carpoled to the Ballinasloe train station where we met Ms. Treacy, and caught the 9:21am train. It was a very nice and comfortable train journey and we could have a little rest after getting up early.

Once we reached the train station in Galway, we decided we needed a little boost, so we headed to Starbucks Coffee. We had a small hot chocolate each and they were confirmed delish! We walked down to the Radisson Blu hotel where the award ceremony was to be hosted. We entered the hotel and went to a small entrance hall and we're greeted with a bag of Green Schools goodies! In front of a pillar we spotted a huge man- made Converse high top with the Green Schools Ireland logo replacing the All Stars logo! It was really cool and unusual to look at and whoever made it must have a brilliant imagination! Over to the far side of the room, there were four tables where different schools were completing a Green quiz. Of course we tested our Green knowledge and answered the questions. The questions were based on all the different Green Flags. Over at the front of the room there was a Green travel based version of snakes and ladders! It looked pretty cool. The snakes were un-green travel and people travelling green were the ladders. We wanted to try out the game but we decided to head into the awards hall.

We waited in line to get our picture taken with the Green Flag and the Green Schools mascot. After that we took our seats and waited for the ceremony to begin. The ceremony started with a few brief words from some of the "Green" people around Ireland that are involved with the Green Schools project. Next a small school from Kilcoona gave a beautiful musical performance of the Greener version of Whiskey in the Jar. It was great to see such a small school perform such an amazing piece. Next our "stand in" Green Schools coordinator Lukasz Krazywon got the crowd going with a weird but funny small show. Next the awards were given out to all the different schools around Galway. Once the awards were given out, we waked back to the train station.

We had a really good day and we are glad to get our Green Flag for Travel!
by Lauren Davis



held well for the day.

When we got to Bay Sports we met our instructor for the the day. We went to the changing rooms and we put our bags in there. Then we went into the forest for the bushcraft survival and team building. For the Bushcraft we had to get dry sticks and then we had to make a fire with the sticks and cotton wool and flint and steel. We did that after the Team Building. When we had that finished we went into the changing rooms and got something to eat and then we got our wet suits on.

When we were all ready we got a safety talk and thenwe lined up and the owner ofBay Sports brought us outto the water parkon a boat. When we gotto the water park we jumped straight on to it and we ran and jumped into the water. We had 45 minutes on the water park. When we were finished went back out and we did the rest of the activities. The rest of the activities were: The Land and Water challenge, Rafting, Kayaking, Stand-up Paddle Boarding and obviously a bit of swimming.

We all had great fun at Bay Sports and the juniors enjoyed Glendeer pet farm as well.

By Cian Rocke

School Tours 2016

For our school tour this year we went to Bay Sports on the 17th of June. We brought 3rd to 6th. The junior classes went to Glendeer pet farm on the same day as us. Bay Sports is a water park on the Hodson bay in Athlone. It is very famous because it has the biggest inflatable water park in Europe. The junior classes really enjoyed their School Tour in Glendeer pet farm. It is on the old Athlone road so it is very close to Athlone.

I was in Bay sports once before and it was really good but it has come on a long way because it has the biggest inflatable water park in Europe. The weather wasn't supposed to be good on Friday but it



Summer camps 2016

Since school is nearly over, we are going to present to you guys (as we do annually) Summer camps to try this Summer!

Camps	Place	Dates	Age Group	Time
Spraoi Summer Camp	Portumna	Week 1:4th-8th Week 2:11th-15th of July	7-13 years	9:30am-3:30pm
Let's go Summer Camp	Banagher	8th-12th of August	7-13 years	9:30am-3:30pm
Starcamp Summer	Ballinasloe and Birr	8th-12th in both places	4-13 years	9:30am-3:30pm
Compass Club	Portumna	Spring/Summer 2016	6-12 years	Starts at 3:45pm

by Caoimhe Kearns

Galway v Westmeath

On the 5th of June Galway set out to play Westmeath in Cusack Park in Mullingar. The match started at 3:30pm.

Galway have met Westmeath 5 times before. Galway have won all them matches. The last time Galway have played Westmeath was in 2012 in Cusack Park where Galway won 5-19 to 4-12 on the night.

The starting team for Galway was: 1 Colm Callanan 2 Johnny Coen 3 John Hanbury 4 Fergal Moore 5 Padraic Mannion 6 Daithi Burke 7 Aidan Harte 8 David Burke (captain) 9 Davey Glennon 10 Shane Moloney 11 Joseph Cooney 12 Joe Canning 13 Conor Whelan 14 Cathal Mannion and 15 Jason Flynn.

And this is the Westmeath lineup: 1 Paddy Maloney 2 Shane Power 3 Tommy Doyle 4 Tommy Gallagher 5 Aaron Craig 6 Gary Greville 7 Aonghas Clarke (captain) 8 Cormac Boyle 9 Eoin Price 10 Alan Devine 11 Derek McNicholas 12 Robbie Greville 13 Liam Varley 14 Brendan Martagh and 15 Niall O'Brien. Galway got on top form from the start when they scored 4 points in 5 minutes. The score at half time was Galway 0-17 Westmeath 0-5. At half time there was schools a match on and a pupil from our school was playing. It was Alan Mullery. In the second half Galway scored 3 goals by Joseph Cooney, Conor Whelan and Jason Flynn.

It didn't look good for Westmeath and it got worse when Shane Power got sent off for an off the ball challenge on Joe Canning. Joe had to come off but he had a brilliant game he scored 0-8 in the match.

The final score was Galway 3-27 to 0-19 Westmeath

by Thomas Fleming

U14 Shield Semi-Final

On the 22nd of May we played our shield semi final against Salthill Knocknacarra. In the first 10 minutes of the match we were on top form but then we let them get to us and we started getting dirty. After that Finn scored 3 goals and 2 points then Michael Kelly put us 1 point up at half time. At the end of full time Finn scored a 4th goal it was a draw so it went to extra time. We did good in the first half of extra time with 3 greatly needed points but they replied quickly with 2 points. They were 1 point a drift. In the second period of extra time Salthill got 5 or 6 points. We were down by 5 points then Finn yet again took a shot and it was deflected in by Alan Mullery but it was not enough the final score was Eyrecourt 5-06 5-11 Salthill. by Jack Loughnane and Keith Bradley

EYRECOURT EXAMINER'S SPORTS STAR OF THE MONTH!

Kevin Connolly!

We picked Kevin Connolly as Sports star of the month because he trained us all year and he is a very good trainer. This year we got into the final in Loughgeorge in Gort and we won it. Before the final we won every match because Kevin kept us motivated. All through the year Kevin had training sessions for us. He gives everyone a run in every match no matter what. He is a very fair trainer and we all enjoyed him.

by Keith Bradley & Cian Roche

June Coding

This month is going to be about games and apps you can download onto your smartphone or tablet! These are all apps you can use on Android devices, so if you have an iPad, iPod or iPhone you might not be able to use these.

1. Temple Run 2 is a fairly popular game - and it's great for wasting time. It's very addictive too, with the Daily and Weekly Challenges. The instructions are easy enough to understand. If you find it hard to get gems, try to get to level 9. You'll unlock a Gem power-up, which means whenever you get enough coins, you can get Gems. You can do this as many times as you want.

2. Private DIARY Free is, you guessed it, a diary app. You can set the password, the theme, an emoticon for each entry, photos on each entry, a drawing on each entry, and so on. You can even set the temperature of where you are, for some reason. Keep in mind that people can still read it if they know your password.

3. Color Switch is also OK. You play as a little ball, bouncing through obstacles. You can only pass through areas if they're the same color as your ball. You don't have to play as a ball, though - you can play as a square, a triangle, an octopus...

4. Angry Birds is also good enough. With all the hype about the movie coming out, you might be curious to play it. The instructions are questionable, but easy to follow. Apparently, you shoot birds on a slingshot to destroy the green pig's buildings, and each bird does something different when shot from the huge slingshot. Surprisingly, it's fairly popular.

by Lorna Kelly

Eyrecourt v Turloughmore

The Eyrecourt U12's had a great year in camogie. We have played many matches and managed to get to the A1 semi final. In the semi final we played Kilconieron and we beat them out the gate. Coming up to the final we had training from Molly Dunne who plays county and Noel Larkin who is a selector on the senior Galway team. In the championship we only lost two matches. For the final Katie O'Sullivan was captain. On the 18th of June the county final was to be played. We played Turloughmore in the county final in Bullaun. The starting team was Patricia Kelly in goals with Aoife O'Dowd, Amy Mannion, Caoimhe Kearns and Ellie Gohery in baks, next was Ellen Larkin and Katie O'Sullivan in mid-field then Kayla Earner, Lauren Davis, Mia Flannery and Eva Larkin in forwards.

Turloughmore got off to a good start with No.6 dropping in a goal from a free. Eyrecourt got a few chances but failed to score until Kayla Earner gave a lovely pass into Eva Larkin who pulled on the ball and rattled the net.

A few more scores were got for either side until full time was nearly up and the teams were level. The match ended a draw but there was going to be 10 minutes extra time.

At the start of extra time Eyrecourt weren't awake and Turloughmore dropped in a goal. That was the only score in extra time and unfortunately for us we lost by that one score.

We were very disappointed by the loss but lucky for us we still have a chance of winning next year.
by Ellie Gohery and Ellen Larkin

Laurens' Healthy Tips

Mango Madness

230g sliced pineapple

1 c fat-free frozen vanilla yogurt

1 lg ripe mango, peeled and chopped

1 ripe banana, sliced

4 cups crushed or cracked ice

Combine the pineapple, frozen yogurt, mango, and banana.

Blend until smooth.

With the blender running, gradually drop in the ice.

Blend until the ice is pureed.

Strawberry Fields

One Weetabix

Two handfuls of strawberries

Two tbsp of Greek yoghurt (unsweetened and drained)

Half tbsp of Agave syrup (or some organic honey)

100ml of coconut milk

Put the Weetabix into the blender first and blend until smooth.

Cut the strawberries up and throw them in with the Weetabix.

Drop the two tbsp of Greek yoghurt into the mix.

Put the Agave syrup in.

Pour in the 100ml of coconut milk.

Blend everything together.

Enjoy!!!

Blueberry Tea

3 Tbsp water

1 green tea bag

2 tsp honey

1½ cup frozen blueberries

½ banana

¾ cup coconut milk

Microwave water until steaming hot in a small bowl.

Add tea bag and allow to brew 3 minutes.

Remove tea bag.

Stir honey into tea until it dissolves.

Combine berries, banana, and milk in a blender.

Add tea to blender.

Blend ingredients until smooth.

Pour smoothie into tall glass and enjoy!!!

Watermelon Wonder

2 c chopped watermelon

¼ cup milk

2 cups ice

Combine the watermelon and milk, and blend for 15 seconds, or until smooth.

Add the ice, and blend 20 seconds longer, or to your desired consistency.

Add more ice, if needed, and blend for 10 seconds.

by Lauren Davis



Coollest Projects at the RDS



Last Saturday, on 18th of June, Niamh and I went to the RDS for the Coolest Projects event. It started at 9:30 am. All the entrants were given t-shirts and lanyards to wear during the day. Ellen and I had entered a website about Eyrecourt, called "Exploring Eyrecourt", which includes a map of Eyrecourt, drawings of various areas and a timeline of the school. Niamh entered an app for communicating with your parents, the police etc. if you ever found yourself in a situation where you are unable to talk. Most of the stalls were 1m x 1m areas of a desk, meaning we didn't have a lot of space for our projects. We had to stand up for over 2

hours at the stalls, because the desk was too high to sit down at. At lunch, there was a huge room with tables full of lunch bags you could take if you wanted. There was a sandwich, an apple and a bottle of water in each bag. There was also a cafe, if you wanted anything else. Someone had programmed a huge rubber dinosaur to prowl along the stalls (which did precisely that for most of the day) and someone had a remote-controlled Minecraft creeper that also wheeled along. The projects were judged just before lunch. We were allowed to walk around and see some of the other projects.

Overall, it was a great day and I wouldn't mind going again!
by Lorna Kelly

Bike

On the 14th of June, 5th and 6th class went out on a cycle with our Green School Advisor, Lukasz Krazywon. From the 13th to the 17th is known as the National Bike Week, so we all thought it would be a lovely idea to go on a nice, long cycle.

We went down Bridge Street, and we came out at Meelick Church, and came back. When we were at Meelick Church we stopped for a few minutes and had a few



gummy bears... YUM! We made sure we were keeping to our Green School safety by wearing our Hi-Viz vests and our helmets. We also had two cars with us, one in front and one in the back. Also, the 15th was Ireland's official C.O.W day (Cycle On Wednesday.) We had 24 people cycling, 18 walkers and 6 people on the bus!
by Libby Mullery