



October 2021 Newsletter

A Note from Miss Cooke

We have had another busy month in 5th and 6th Class! It has been lovely to see all the children's excitement in the lead up to Halloween, and their enthusiasm for our autumn artwork.

You can read all about what we have been up to this month below 😊

Miss Cooke

Our Quote of the Month

"One child, one teacher, one book
and one pen can change the world"

- Malala Yousafzai

Reminders

- Parent-teacher meetings will take place on Tuesday 16th, Thursday 18th, Monday 22nd and Wednesday 24th November via Microsoft Teams.
- Dee will be in touch with your meeting time slot soon.

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What Have We Been Learning?

ENGLISH

- Inspirational People Study: Malala Yousafzai
- Recount writing
- Discussion: What would you do if your right to education was threatened like Malala?
- Autumn poems
- Outstanding animals

GAEILGE

- Themes: Mé Féin, Oíche Shamhna
- 10 questions about ourselves
- Reading comprehension work
- Mé féin agus mo chlann
- Oíche Shamhna words and phrases
- Oíche Shamhna acrostic poem

MATHS

- Daily 10 challenge games
- Countdown game
- Lines and angles
- Time
- Analogue to digital competition
- Adding & subtracting time
- Timetables (5th) and Dad's Silly Triangle (6th)
- Maths stations with Ms. Boyle - card games, Protractor Pass, Alien Angles, Multiplication Space Invaders

SESE

- History: The Maya (group projects)
- Geography: Counties of Ireland, Tipperary
- Science: The skeletal system

ARTS

- Art: Autumn poem backgrounds, Monster Squares, Spooky Silhouettes and Chalk Ghosts
- Drama: Spooky Whispers game, Halloween costume scenes in pods
- Music: Halloween music, spooky tunes

OTHER SUBJECTS

- PE: Timed sprints, orienteering, jump ball, zombie tag, pumpkin ball
- SPHE: I Am Here School Squad, respect, active listening, caring for each other
- RE: Malala Yousafzai, being true to ourselves, King Solomon

Some October Artwork



Monster Squares

5th and 6th Class
created a menagerie
of monsters!

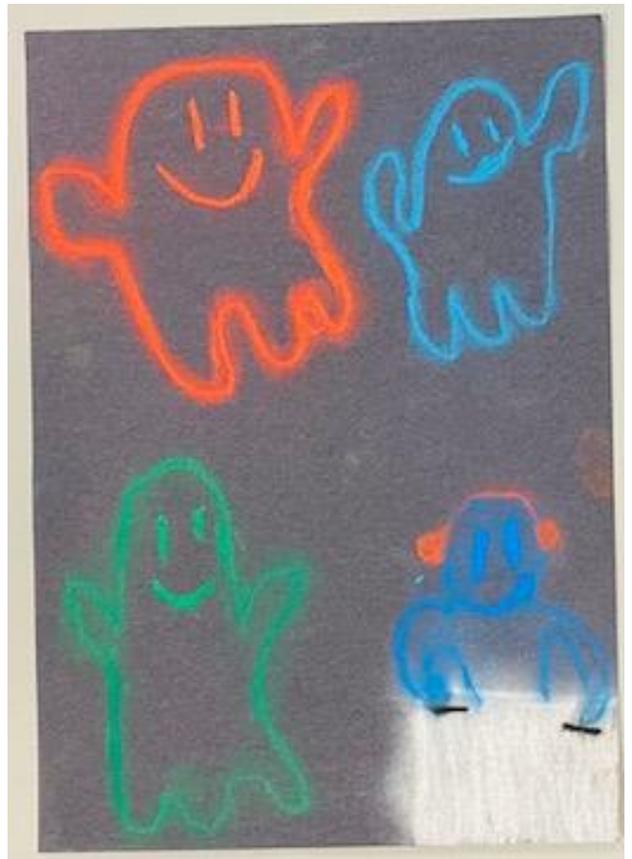
Monster Squares

First, we designed our
monster's face using a
pencil.

Then we added
contrasting or solid
colours to the background
and outlined our colourful
monsters!



Some October Artwork



Chalk Ghosts

We sketched our ghost shapes onto black sugar paper and outlined them heavily with chalks.

Then we used our fingers to blend and smudge the chalk out to create a spooky glow!



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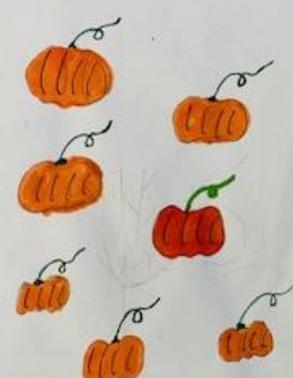


Some Autumn Poems

October

Autumn

September



Autumn Poem

leaves falling to the ground,
barely ever making a sound.

All the mistle in liberation,
some even venture into the train station.

leaves turning red & gold,
no need they have to lay on the floor so cold.

now that autumn fades away,
I say goodbye till we meet for day.

— Amelia

A u t u m n

Autumn

Autumn

August

Autumn



Hedgehogs sleeping on a feather,
sleeping until warmer weather.



31st of October is Halloween,
trick or treating like a queen,
don't steal my sweets,
that would be mean.



Yellow, red and orange leaves,
falling gently from their trees.



Mossy trees standing tall,
frosty knees, easy to fall.



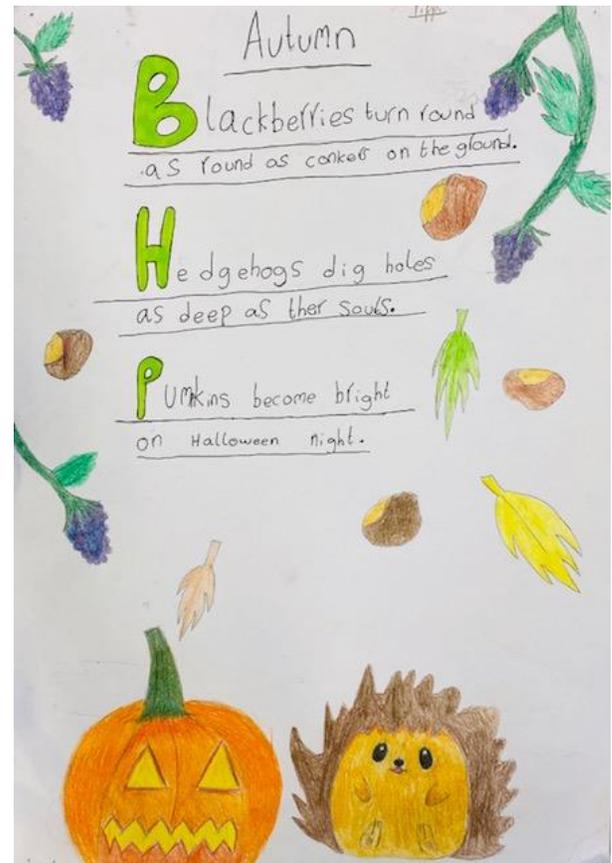
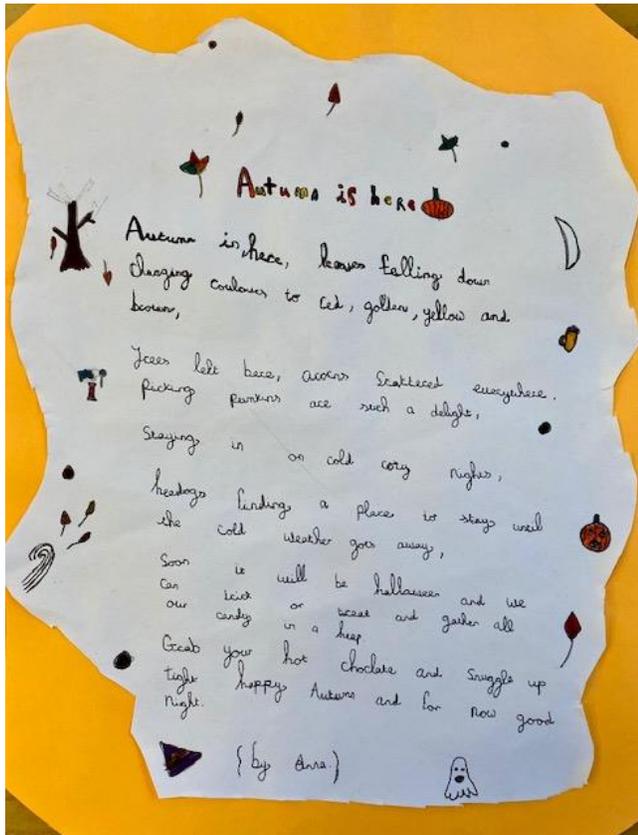
Children running in the Autumn Breeze,
hands ice cold about to freeze.



Laughing out loud,
while flying their kites,
it's 8 o'clock so new Goodnight.



Some Autumn Poems



Student Highlights of the Month

HALLOWEEN FUN DAY

Alyssa: 'On Friday, 22nd October it was our last day of school and we had a Halloween Fun Day. We all dressed up in cool costumes like: black cats Chewbacca, ghosts and more! We did drama plays in our pods, Halloween quizzes, did a buddy activity, watched a movie and more! It was really fun!'

Gingi: 'The morning of our Halloween Fun Day started by everybody looking at each other's costumes and chatting about the day's activities. We were all really excited about what was going to happen!'

Nicky: 'On Friday we had a Halloween Fun Day. We had an extra-long break and after it we did a buddy activity with our buddies outside in the front. It was fun!'

Marion: 'We did a buddy activity and we were all dressed up in costumes and so were our buddies. It was really good!'

Dominik: 'During our Halloween Fun Day we watched The Addams Family and we ate sweets. It was really fun!'

Gus: 'At the end of our Fun Day we watched the Addams Family and I gave the movie a 9.5 out of 10!'

KAHOOT QUIZZES

Connie: 'We got to do a Kahoot quiz which is a game on the board with a topic of questions and it is a competition in teams against the rest of your class.'

Oisín: 'We played a lot of games. First we played Kahoot. I was in a team with Hugo and we came second on the podium. I really liked it, especially as it was Halloween-themed!'

AUTUMN POEMS

Anna: 'We wrote autumn poems in October. We had to think about things we see and hear during autumn and make a poem out of them. Then we decorated the poems and we could add orange paper. It was really fun!'

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BUDDY ORIENTEERING

Oisín: 'We did a buddy pumpkin hunt with our Junior and Senior Infant buddies. The pumpkins were actually oranges with small numbers on them and we had to go around searching for all the numbers. We nearly found all of them, except for one or two.'

Joanna: 'I liked doing the pumpkin hunt with our buddies. My buddies and I didn't find all the pumpkins but we only needed to find four more to have all of them. It was a lot of fun.'

HALLOWEEN DRAMA

Seán: 'My pod did a drama about the president being attacked and we were all in our costumes. It was fun!'

Lexie: 'For drama on Friday we had to make a drama out of our characters from our costumes. I found it kind of hard to think of a story but we had fun.'

Amelia: 'We did lots of cool things that day but my personal favourite was our drama roleplay dressed up as our characters. Our play was that Barkley from Modern Family was Minerva McGonagall's butler and Professor McGonagall was teaching Mickey and Minnie Mouse magic!!'

